

## **CSAC Division Meeting Minutes**

**Format** Virtual via Zoom before Annual Meeting  
**Date** June 12, 2024  
**Time** 12:30p.m. to 1:10p.m. Central Time (GMT -5)  
**Location** [Zoom \(https://zoom.us/j/99609808869?pwd=6dZoSbNO5O5XY4Z1C6VXJHfzIXZunP.1\)](https://zoom.us/j/99609808869?pwd=6dZoSbNO5O5XY4Z1C6VXJHfzIXZunP.1)

**Attendees** Cindy Yovanov; C Michael Awsumb

1. **Yovanov:** hello – am I the only one here?
2. **Awsumb:** hello, yes, so far. Didn't get a lot to sign-up for meeting; we'll see.
3. **Yovanov:** new to SSSP, unable to attend the meeting, and other organizations, new PhD student; seems meetings not attended by all that many
4. **Awsumb:** correct – it's hit and miss; working on it. Trying to fit the niche of what people are after. Also, a weird time of the year.
5. **Awsumb:** get things started; run through general announcements; most first part in newsletter: upcoming meeting, participants must register by June 1; preregistration; hotel reservations; conference hotel usage valuable and preferred.
  - a. **Yovanov:** what the hotel?
  - b. **Awsumb:** Sheridan; coordinated with ASA meeting; timing, locations. Can see future meetings on web, too – next year's theme will be announced after this year's meeting.
6. **Awsumb:** Meeting Mentor / Mentee Registration – need for more; encourage registration.
  - a. **Yovanov:** for mentees? This only during the meeting?
  - b. **Awsumb:** mentors, this year; correct, set up with annual meeting; could extend, if agreed to with mentee / mentor.
  - c. **Awsumb:** also, thinking about attending meeting in the future, SSSP has numerous sessions on job market, etc. I used these. Really great.
7. **Awsumb:** not meeting related announcements; nominations for elections; soliciting nominations for number of positions; email sent out; needing more nominees – great way to get involved; due June 15<sup>th</sup>.
8. **Awsumb:** CSACD Announcements – email and newsletter; announced our Graduate Student Paper Awardee and honorable mentions; papers and authors introduced in newsletter; something we continue to do, student award; going to maybe add an article award, too. Summarized the student paper award and its benefits (money, recognition, etc.). 2024 Annual Meeting Sessions and Meetings – will be promoted in next newsletter. Doing a virtual and in-person business meeting; summarized CSACD engagement activities during next meeting; summarized our sessions in the meeting; Division Member Survey – not a lot of responses, yet, but good ones. Have 7 responses. May try to get more during meeting – flyer.
  - a. **Yovanov:** could use a QR code.
  - b. **Discussion:** on how can use QR code with flyer for Google Form survey to get responses during the meeting.
9. **Awsumb:** sharing the schedule for the meeting. Volunteers – especially for newsletter. Have money for newsletter volunteer.

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10. **Awsumb:** Report from CSAC Division Chair. Members: we are up – 139 members paid for 2024.
- a. **Yovanov:** know how many in SSSP total?
  - b. **Awsumb:** don't have it on hand but is available. CSACD is kind of in the middle. Summary of largest and smallest divisions by members. Curious to see our percent increase. Our numbers are consistent, with drop during COVID, starting to recover.
11. **Awsumb:** Budget request for 2025. Mirrored years prior. \$200 for student paper award, \$250 to division-sponsored reception, \$150 stipend for newsletter editor. Should get approval or request for changes with annual meeting. Newsletter: looking for Managing Editor, stipend available; welcoming submission – of all kinds, essays, announcements, news, etc. Email: [csac.sssp@gmail.com](mailto:csac.sssp@gmail.com). Working on concept of Division Council to coordinate and lead division. Have not received any engagement. Still going to work on it: build engagement, resilience, and strength – invite any interested to reach out. Questions?
- a. **Yovanov:** like the idea of division specific email. On agenda, on the newsletter, too?
  - b. **Awsumb:** I do too. Past experiences. Lost documents and information.
  - c. **Discussion:** general discussion on benefits; ability to CC your personal email, too.
  - d. **Yovanov:** student papers? How does the call for papers / submission / eligibility?
  - e. **Awsumb:** are requirements. Summary of core requirements. Does not have to be on “a theme” like annual meeting theme but does have to be submitted to the annual meeting.
  - f. **Yovanov:** lot of submissions?
  - g. **Awsumb:** varies year to year; some are down; none are getting dozens and dozens; more common divisions receive too few. Link provided in Zoom Chat.
12. **Awsumb:** 2025 Division Awards. Want to do Graduate Student Paper Award. Also, in past did an Article / Publication Award – would like to bring back. Will need volunteers for review. Will not have reward. 2025 Annual Meeting Session Proposals – I, as chair, get to propose sessions. Allowed up-to 3 solo sponsored and 7 co-sponsored sessions. Also anyone who would like to serve as a session volunteer – organizers / presiders / discussants. Any ideas, recommendations, proposals you have, I am happy to bring those to the proposal process.
13. **Awsumb:** anything else? Have about 1:30 left on call?
- a. **Discussion:** thanks; looking forward to Chicago in 2025.
14. **Adjourn**

## **CSAC Division Meeting Minutes**

**Format** In person at Annual Meeting  
**Date** August 10, 2024  
**Time** 10:30a.m. – 12:30a.m. EDT  
**Location** Ballroom West, Le Centre Sheraton Montréal Hotel, SSSP Annual Meeting

**Attendees** Andrew Schoeneman, Michael L. Hurst Jr., C. Michael Awsumb

1. **Awsumb:** Greetings and Introductions with Schoeneman and Hurst.
2. **Awsumb:** I can go through litany of announcements line by line, provide a general synopsis, or we can hit on the key items; Re: hit keynotes.
3. **Awsumb:** Graduate Student Paper Award – received great batch of papers, winner and honorable mentions. Request to do “Article Award” for faculty / researchers, again – do we want to?
  - a. **Discussion:** general agreement and approved.
  - b. **Discussion:** service awards for nonacademic members? Something we should explore, for sure. Will take-up.
4. **Awsumb:** Division Member Survey with Google form; received very poor response – like 2 responses. Also looking for – need – a Newsletter editor – money available. Volunteers in generally – needed.
5. **Awsumb:** invitation for submissions to a special issue of *Work and Occupations* special issue call for papers: “Working for Social Change” (see provided)
6. **Awsumb:** Division consolidation(s) initiative. Summary provided.
  - a. **Awsumb:** Name Change of CSACD?
    - i. **Schoeneman:** name seems to fit the division well; maybe some revision
    - ii. **Hurst:** make clearer to focus and interest of division; nonacademic
    - iii. **Awsumb:** history of “conflict” in conflict studies – not really a part of division anymore; larger part of division at conferences in activism, resistance, power, politics, praxis
    - iv. **Discussion:** keep working on, get feedback
  - b. **Awsumb:** Council of Chairs meeting, exchange on a proposed merger of CSACD with Labor Studies division.
    - i. **Awsumb:** focus seemed on Labor as predominate identity of that merger with CSAC as addendum, despite CSACD being larger
    - ii. **Discussion:** that doesn’t really make sense; it could, but with different arrangement; maybe keep exploring, but with reservations
  - c. **Discussion:** maybe but depends.
7. **Awsumb:** 2025 Annual Meeting Session Proposals; allowed up-to 3 solo sponsored and 7 co-sponsored sessions; Session Volunteers for Organizers / Presiders / Discussants.
  - a. **Awsumb:** papers are dropping off a bit; do we want to do a panel of the division next year? Think about critique dialogues
  - b. **Schoeneman:** proposed session on mutual aid and anti-capitalist approaches to organizing; will be organizer; critical dialogue
  - c. **Hurst:** proposed session of mutual aid community organizers and researchers working with mutual aid organizers; critical dialogue; will be organizer
8. **Adjourn.**