

**SSSP Educational Problems Business Meeting Minutes**  
**July 13, 2021, 12-1:00pm EST, via Google Meets**  
**Division Chair: Linda M. Waldron**

*Attending: Linda M. Waldron, Myron Strong, Ben Fisher, Irina Chukhray, Crystal Almeta Moore, Kenya Goods, Kriti Budhiraja*

1. **Review of Division 2021 Sessions.** Please try to attend our division's sessions!  
[https://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/862/2021\\_Virtual\\_Preliminary\\_Program/](https://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/862/2021_Virtual_Preliminary_Program/)
2. **Recognition of 2021 Graduate Student Paper Awards**---Members are encouraged to attend the sessions of these wonderful paper award recipients. Abstracts of these papers are available in the Spring Newsletter
  - a. **Award Recipient: Sandra Portocarrero**, Ph.D. Candidate, Columbia University. "Qué Vergüenza: Ambiguity around Diversity and Inclusion and How National Scholarship Recipients Became Ashamed of What Once Made Them Most Proud"
  - b. **Honorable Mention: Ruo-Fan (Mikki) Liu**, Ph.D. Candidate, Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison. "Status Competition in the Digital Era: Degree Seeking, Public Credentialism, and Informal Counseling in Two Taiwanese Social Media Sites"
3. **Recruiting a new Social Media Coordinator.** The Educational Problems Division is now recruiting a new social media coordinator. Currently, this position focuses on maintaining our division's Facebook page in coordination with the division chair. This usually involves a few posts per month, although the coordinator is welcome to expand our social media presence in new and creative ways. It is a great way for a division member, especially a graduate student, to get involved with SSSP! This position includes a small annual honorarium of \$100. If interested, please contact our current division chair, Linda Waldron, [lwaldron@cnu.edu](mailto:lwaldron@cnu.edu).
  - a. If you aren't already doing so, follow us on Facebook, [@ssspeducationalproblems](#)
4. **Welcome our incoming division chair, Dr. Myron Strong.** Dr. Strong is an Assistant Professor of Sociology at the Community College of Baltimore County in Baltimore, MD. He earned his Ph.D. at the University of North Texas. His research areas include: Afrofuturism; race, gender and social factors in modern comics; marginalization of community college sociologists
5. **Brainstorm sessions for 2022 SSSP Meeting in Los Angeles.** Meeting is fully in person. See ideas belows. Please email your interest in these or other sessions. Organizers, moderators, and discussants are always needed! The Chairs meeting that takes place on Tuesday July 14th will start the official organization of sessions, so these are just a starting point.

**Educational Problems Session Planning – 2022**  
**Conference Los Angeles, CA**  
*Theme--The Sociological Reimagination: From Moments to Momentum*

**Tentative division sponsored sessions:**

1. **Thematic, Paper Session**—Toward an Holistic Understanding of Privilege: A Evolution of Thought, organizer, Myron Strong, [mstrong2@ccbcmd.edu](mailto:mstrong2@ccbcmd.edu)
2. **Paper Session**—Universities as a Site of Political Struggle and Transformation, organizer, Kriti Budhiraha, [budhi006@umn.edu](mailto:budhi006@umn.edu)
3. **Thematic, Critical Dialogue**--Reimagining Critical Race Theory, organizer—Patricia Morency, [pmorency821@gmail.com](mailto:pmorency821@gmail.com) (Could also do as Co-Sponsor with: Racial and Ethnic Minorities; Teaching Social Problems)

**Possible Co-Sponsored Sessions:**

1. **Paper Session**--Reconceptualizing Educational Opportunities: Challenging Inequality, Creating Equity, organizer, Mikki Liu, [mikki.liu@wisc.edu](mailto:mikki.liu@wisc.edu) (Possible Co-Sponsors: Institutional Ethnography; Poverty, Class and Inequality; Teaching Social Problems; Youth, Aging and the Life Course)
2. **Critical Dialogue**—Race/Class/Gender and Student Choice, organizer, Kenya Goods, [kenya.goods@bison.howard.edu](mailto:kenya.goods@bison.howard.edu) (Possible Co-Sponsors: Family; Poverty, Class and Inequality; Racial and Ethnic Minorities; Gender)
3. **Thematic, Paper Session**—Life on Campus in a Post-Pandemic World, organizer, Danielle Docka-Filipek, [danielle.dockafilipek@cnu.edu](mailto:danielle.dockafilipek@cnu.edu) (Possible Co-Sponsors: Teaching Social Problems; Environment & Technology)
4. **Paper Session**—Foreign-born Youth: Challenges and Experiences in Educational Organizations, organizer—Irina Chukhray, [ichukhray@ucdavis.edu](mailto:ichukhray@ucdavis.edu) (Possible Co-Sponsors: Global; Youth, Aging and the Life Course)
5. **Thematic, Paper Session**—Reimagining Schools without Police, organizer--Linda M. Waldron, [lwaldron@cnu.edu](mailto:lwaldron@cnu.edu) (Possible Co-Sponsors: Crime Juvenile Delinquency; Conflict, Social Action and Change; Racial and Ethnic Minorities)
6. **Paper Session**—Online Learning: Challenges and Benefits, organizer, TBA (Possible Co-Sponsors: Environment and Technology; Disability)
7. **Paper Session**--Institutional Racism and Sexism in Higher Education, organizer, Linda Waldron, [lwaldron@cnu.edu](mailto:lwaldron@cnu.edu) (Possible Co-Sponsors: Race and Ethnic Relations; Gender)
8. **Paper Session**--Student Athletes and Transgender Identity, organizer TBA (Possible Co-Sponsors: Sports, Leisure and the Body; Gender)
9. **Paper Session**: Alternative Methods of Addressing Problems in the Classroom, organizer TBA (Possible Co-Sponsors: Teaching Social Problems)