

Sociology & Social Welfare
2021 Divisional Meeting Minutes
July 11, 11am PST

Attendance: Ethan Evans, Michael Johnston, Caitlin Carey, Greer Ayanna Hamilton

In short, we met to recap the last year's activity. The goals, ideas discussed at the last member meeting that were pursued were to establish a division mail chimp account for additional member & non-member communication. The idea to have a mid-year division meet up was not pursued. Outreach and recruitment efforts were minimal. Several newsletters were written highlighting member accomplishment, SSSP business, and book reviews. 5 of our co-sponsored sessions will be part of the 2021 virtual conference.

1. Introductions
2. Chair greetings
 - a. Chair. State of the division (98 members)
 - i. Highlights. Book review & student paper competition
 - ii. Division Purpose (Each new chair reviews the mission and can propose changes/reaffirm with the membership)

Vision: The Sociology and Social Welfare Division supports a vision of a just society.

Mission: Our division promotes theory informed, applied scholarship about social institutions and processes in order to foster understanding, but also to speed remediation of structural racism, and all forms of exclusion through policy and social programs.

- iii. Recruitment – Goal was to promote at Social Work conferences (CSWE; SSWR). With COVID restrictions, this was not pursued the past 18 months)
- iv. Election. Exciting is that several people made themselves available to serve. Thank you!

Chair Election

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Co-Chair

Greer Ayanna Hamilton: greerham@bu.edu

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- b. Book Review Chair year-end review. Goal is 4 reviews each year (2 by each of two co-chairs). Good opportunity to display work by and work about research topics of interest to the membership.

3. Chapter Budget

During the 2021 year, division budgets were shifted because we did not have an in-person conference. Stipends and student paper prize were increased. The 2022 budget request (submitted) includes a contribution to a reception at the in-person 2022 conference

2021 S&SW Division	Amount
Stipend to SSW Newsletter Editor	\$150
Stipend to Book Review Chair	\$150
Stipend to Best Student Paper Competition Winner	\$300
Total	\$600
2022 S&SW Division (requested)	Amount
Stipend to SSW Newsletter Editor	\$100
Stipend to Book Review Chair	\$100
Stipend to Best Student Paper Competition Winner	\$200
Annual Meeting Reception Contribution	\$200
Total	\$600

4. 2021 Annual Conference (August 4-7, 2021). **Virtual.** [Revolutionary Sociology: Truth, Healing, Reparations and Restructurings](#)

Please register and attend our co-sponsored sessions.

Session 008: End Inequality: Transformations in Disparities Research and Interventions

Session 059: Intersectionality, Capacity, and Adaptation in Disaster Response

Session 078: Sustaining Policy and Practice Change beyond Covid-19

Session 102: Vulnerable Populations, Social Isolation, and Resilience

Session 110: CRITICAL DIALOGUE: Loss and Healing in the Community

5. 2022 Annual Conference (August 5-7, 2022). Omni **Los Angeles** Hotel at California Plaza

[The Sociological Reimagination: From Moments to Momentum](#)

*...an opportunity to recalibrate our priorities as scholars, policy analysts, teachers, and activists...illuminate issues; **provide prescriptive policy actions**...*

We discussed potential S&SW sessions to beginning preparing for the Chair's meeting at the virtual conference. If you have interest in organizing a panel, please reach out to Caitlin or Greer

6. Open Forum (topics discussed)

Sending out a membership Survey in Fall

Mentorship and/or social options(?)

Historically mentorship has mostly centered around the annual in-person.

Additional focus could be taking up by division members to increase mentorship programing.

How do members connect. Idea: a Google Doc with member information and research interests.

How to promote division & SSSP at other conferences.

7. Any new business
None

Announcements (upcoming member publications, presentations, etc.):

- Greer Hamilton. NIH supplement award. “The Healing Communities Study”.
- Ethan Evans. Forthcoming publication Social Work Students’ Experience during the COVID-19 Pandemic: Challenges and Themes of Resilience in *Journal of Social Work Education*.
- Michael Johnston completed 40th episode of “New Books in Sociology” podcast.
- Caitlin has completed data collection of a Data Voice project involving people experiencing homelessness and barriers to sleep.