

2019-2020 SSSP BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2020
12:00PM – 2:00PM (EDT)
VIRTUAL MEETING CONDUCTED VIA ZOOM

ITEM #1 – CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 12:05pm by President Heather M. Dalmage.

ITEM #2 – INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present:

Heather M. Dalmage, President
Corey Dolgon, President-Elect
Nancy J. Mezey, Past-President
Daina Cheyenne Harvey, Vice-President
Pamela Anne Quiroz, Vice-President-Elect
Glenn W. Muschert, Secretary
Susan Carlson, Treasurer
Yvonne A. Braun, Board Member
Giovanna Follo, Board Member
Deborah A. Potter, Board Member
Fernando I. Rivera, Board Member
Bhoomi Thakore, Board Member
Melissa Maxey, Board Member, Student Representative
Kristen M. Budd, Chairperson, Council of the Divisions
Annulla Linders, Editor, *Social Problems*
Carla Shedd, C. Wright Mills Award Committee Chair
Shirley A. Jackson, Doris Wilkinson Faculty Leadership Award Chair
Noreen Sugrue, Elections Committee Chair
Daniel Olmos, Lee Student Support Fund Committee Chair-Elect
Jean-Pierre Reed, Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee Chair
France Winddance Twine, Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Fellowship Committee Chair
Elizabeth A. East, Listserv Moderator
Héctor L. Delgado, Executive Officer
Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer and Meeting Manager

ITEM #3 – ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Agenda adopted as presented.

ITEM #4 – Committee Reports without Action Items (Board will vote on as a package)–Heather M. Dalmage

- A. Report from the Accessibility Committee Chair–Laura Mauldin
- B. Report from the Anti-Harassment Committee Chair–Sarah Jane Brubaker
- C. Report from the Arlene Kaplan Daniels Paper Award Committee Chair–Tanya L. Saunders
- D. Report from the By–Laws Committee Chair–Valerie Leiter
- E. Report from the Committee on Social Action Committee Chair–Daina Cheyenne Harvey
- F. Report from the Erwin O. Smigel Award Committee Chair–Melinda A. Mills
- G. Report from the Joseph B. Gittler Award Committee Chair–Paul D. Steele
- H. Report from the Kathleen S. Lowney Mentoring Award Committee Chair–Ivy Ken

- I. Report from the Lee Founders Award Committee Chair—A. Javier Treviño
- J. Report from the Lee Scholar Support Fund Committee Chair—Erica Chito Childs and the Transnational Initiatives Committee Chair—Bhoomi K. Thakore
- K. Report from the Membership and Outreach Committee Chair—John D. Foster
 - 1. Dues by Membership Year Report (as of July 26, 2020)
 - 2. Divisions by Membership Year Report (as of July 26, 2020)
 - 3. Promotion Report (as of July 26, 2020)
 - 4. 2006–2020 Comparison Membership Report (as of July 26, 2020)
- L. Report from the Thomas C. Hood Social Action Award Committee Chair—Vince Montes
- M. Report from the Ad Hoc Committee: Task Force on Resolutions Committee Chair—Héctor L. Delgado

ACTION: As a single vote, the Board approved the Committee Reports without Action Items.

ITEM #5 – Verbal Report from the C. Wright Mills Award Committee Chair
 Committee Chair Carla Shedd reported on the progress the Committee has made, and assured the Board that finalists and a winner were forthcoming, despite difficulties associated with the pandemic. A Committee report for year 2019-2020 has not yet been concluded, but should be forthcoming shortly. The Board recognized Dr. Shedd for her continued service in this role.

ACTION: The Board accepted the verbal status report from the Chair of the C. Wright Mills Award Committee, and looks forward to receiving the full report shortly.

ITEM #6 – Report from the Doris Wilkinson Faculty Leadership Award Chair
 Committee Chair Shirley A. Jackson reported on the Committee activities. The Committee was concerned with two aspects of the process, specifically regarding making sure that references for applicants have already solicited letters, and regarding publicizing the award via providing a profile of Doris Wilkinson. Discussion ensued regarding how best to address the concerns.

ACTION: The Board approved the development of a mechanism to reevaluate the SSSP awards.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Doris Wilkinson Faculty Leadership Award Chair.

ITEM #7 – Verbal Report from the Elections Committee Chair
 Committee Chair Noreen Sugrue reported on the Committee’s activities, noting that it was difficult to find enough suitable candidates for all the elected positions. In short, more nominations are needed, and the Board discussed this issue.

ACTION: The Board accepted the verbal status report from the Elections Committee Chair, and looks forward to receiving the written report shortly.

ITEM #8 – Report from the Lee Student Support Fund Committee Chair
 Committee Chair-Elect Daniel Olmos reported on behalf of hephzibah v. strmic-pawl, and shared the committee’s ideas concerning the mentoring program.

ACTION: The Board approved to put this on the agenda for the August 14 Board meeting to create a committee that will look at how the mentoring program could and should be structured.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Lee Student Support Fund Committee Chair.

ITEM #9 – Report from the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee Chair
Committee Chair Jean-Pierre Reed presented the results of the POSPC meeting, providing a number of strategies for ensuring the viability of the SSSP and its membership.

ACTION: The Board tabled the discussion, and referred the conversation to the August 14 Board meeting.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee Chair.

ITEM #10 – Report from the Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Fellowship Committee Chair
Committee Chair France Winddance Twine reported on the Committee activities, noting in particular that there were fewer applications than in past years. The Committee also recommended considering the impact that COVID-19 might have in the medium-term.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Fellowship Committee Chair, and that the Committee’s concerns be moved forward to the August 14 Board meeting.

ITEM #11 – Report from the Listserv Moderator
Elizabeth A. East provided details of the report, noting that listserv membership is low, but relatively steady.

ACTION: The Board approved Elizabeth A. East as SSSP listserv moderator for the 2020-2022 term.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Listserv Moderator.

ITEM #12 – Report from the Ad Hoc Committee: Justice 21 Committee Chair
Committee Chair Glenn W. Muschert reported on the Committee activities in the past year, which includes publication of the 2020 *Agenda for Social Justice* volume, and two rapid-response COVID-19 volumes, *Social Problems in the Age of COVID-19: Volume 1 – US* and *Social Problems in the Age of COVID-19: Volume 2 – Global Perspectives*. The committee brought forward two issues: first the continued existence of an ad hoc committee, and second the integration of the Justice 21 Committee activities into the Editorial and Publications Committee and other relevant bodies at the SSSP.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Ad Hoc Justice 21 Committee Chair, and referred the issues toward the August 14 Board meeting, to be raised under the Report of the Editorial and Publications Committee.

ITEM #13 – Report from the Ad Hoc Committee Review Generating Committee Chair
Committee Chair Héctor L. Delgado presented the results of the report.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Revenue Generating Committee Chair.

ITEM #14 – Unfinished Business from 2019–Heather M. Dalmage

- A. Follow-up Discussion on the Creation of a New SSSP Award: SSSP Award for Media Narratives about Social Problems

Kristen M. Budd presented the results of a discussion on this issue in the Council of Division Chairs Meeting. Adding another award at this time was not recommend by the Division Chairs.

ACTION: The Board declined the request to create a new award at this time, without prejudice.

ITEM #15 – NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to consider.

ITEM #16 – ADJOURNMENT OF THE 2019-2020 BOARD

President-Elect Corey Dolgon offered some words of encouragement to Board members returning to serve on the 2020-2021 Board.

There being no further time, the meeting was adjourned at 2:14pm by President Heather M. Dalmage.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Glenn W. Muschert, SSSP Secretary