

SUMMARY OF 2023/2024 SSSP BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S ACTIONS

2023–2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM (EDT), MEETING CONDUCTED IN PERSON WITH SOME VIRTUAL PARTICIPANTS VIA ZOOM

ACTION: The Board approved the creation of a new position on the Justice 21 Committee, a two-year term (once renewable) to contribute to publicity and outreach. The Justice 21 Committee will take responsibility for recruiting for the position. This action proceeds to the By-Laws Committee.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Editorial and Publications Committee.

ACTION: The Board approved the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee's report.

ACTION: The Board approved the 2024 proposed budget.

ACTION: The Board approved the report from the Board of Directors Student Representatives.

ACTION: The Board approved the incorporation of questions concerning the reorganization of Divisions within the next Membership Survey.

ACTION: The Board approved the report from the Chair of the Council of the Divisions.

ACTION: The Board approved the slate of nominees for the SSSP 2024 General Election.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Chair of the Nominations Committee.

ACTION: The Board approved two individuals who will serve a two-year term as Nomination Committee members.

1. Noreen Sugrue (2023-2025)
2. Joshua Stout (2023-2025)

ACTION: The Board approved Glenn W. Muschert and Heather E. Dillaway as Society Secretary and Treasurer nominees, respectively.

ACTION: The Board approved Barbara Katz Rothman to serve on the Committee on Mentorship for the 2023-2025 term.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Committee on Committees.

ACTION: The Board empowers the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee to develop a long-term strategic plan to move forward with an online workshop presence for the SSSP.

ACTION: The Board dissolved the Ad Hoc Committee on Meeting Location and Format.

ACTION: The Board accepted the Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Meeting Location and Format.

ACTION: The Board approved the 2024-2027 editors of *Social Problems*: Drs. Andrew Fullerton, Michael Long, Rachel Schmitz, and Kelley Sittner, Oklahoma State University.

ACTION: The Board approved offering one Op-Ed writing workshop in fall 2023 and one media outreach workshop in spring 2024. Moving forward SSSP may offer Op-Ed writing workshops in-house.

ACTION: The Board approved the Past President's Report on the Operating Reserve Policy.

ACTION: The Board approved the Report of the Anti-Harassment Committee Chair.

ACTION: The Board approved the continuation of the Sponsored Virtual Social Hour to take place in July 2024. EO Elroi J. Windsor will coordinate with the ABS and SWS EOs.

ACTION: The Board approved the Institutional Ethnography Division Workshop in Montréal.

2023–2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ZOOM MEETING, THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2024, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM (EST), VIRTUAL MEETING CONDUCTED VIA ZOOM

ACTION: The Board approved increasing Annual Meeting registration fees by 65% (Lines 4305-4319 and 4322).

ACTION: The Board approved reducing to \$0 the following budget items regarding the Annual Meeting (Lines 5224, 5425, 5430, 5465, and 5475).

ACTION: The Board approved cutting the budget for Division Sponsored Projects (Line 5498) in half.

ACTION: The Board approved providing up to \$500 to stay at the conference hotel instead of stipends (Line 6010).

ACTION: The Board approved requiring those who receive travel fund awards from the Society to receive up to \$500 to stay at the conference hotel (Lines 8010, 8025, and 8060) starting in 2024.

ACTION: The Board charged the BFA Committee with determining an increase in membership dues.

ACTION: The Board charged the BFA Committee to develop a schedule of percentage increases for the annual meeting registration fees and the membership dues.

ACTION: The Board charged the BFA Committee to conduct an in-depth yearly analysis to determine the Society's financial solvency and challenges.

ACTION: The Board dissolved the current Ad Hoc Revenue Generating Committee in its current form and recrafted a similar Ad Hoc Development Committee comprised of the Executive Officer and the Treasurer, as well as SSSP members (both selected/solicited and volunteers) who are known for their expertise or who have a proven record of development work (e.g., as evidenced on a CV and cover letter).

ACTION: The Board of Directors empowered a new Ad Hoc Development Committee to continue to work on the Action Plan outlined in the current Ad Hoc Committee's Report, exploring options and possibilities. By the February 8, 2024, Board meeting, Executive Officer Elroi J. Windsor and Treasurer Heather E. Dillaway will provide a proposal for the process, including a procedure for identifying members of the Ad Hoc Committee.

ACTION: The Board did not endorse the member-proposed statement as submitted, indicating the membership should be consulted directly concerning this statement. According to SSSP By-Laws, the member-proposed statement will go to a direct electronic vote among the members.

ACTION: The Board approved sending the Statement Adapted from the American Association of Anthropologists for consideration alongside the member-submitted statement.

2023–2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ZOOM MEETING, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2024, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM (EST), VIRTUAL MEETING CONDUCTED VIA ZOOM

ACTION: The Board authorized the creation of an ad hoc committee to generate ideas for potential meeting formats for the 2028 annual meeting. President Mary Bernstein will collaborate with the Executive Officer and Administrative Officer to form the committee and submit the names to the Board for approval.

ACTION: The Board identified a subcommittee consisting of Rose M. Brewer, Shirley A. Jackson, David G. Embrick, and Michele Koontz to examine all monetary awards [Arlene Kaplan Daniels Paper Award, C. Wright Mills Award, Doris Wilkinson Faculty Leadership Award, Joseph B. Gittler Award, Lee Founders Award, Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Fellowship (travel stipend only)] and change the reward structure to hotel incentives (or other incentives to attend the meetings) for 2025 and beyond. This mandate includes considering budget line 8020 and recommending a resolution to the Board.

ACTION: The Board charged the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee with developing a plan of action for the SSSP, which would be self-reflective of process and aimed at establishing a clear, concise mission statement for the SSSP, establishing a values statement for the SSSP, and drafting a plan of action for the SSSP for the next 3 to 5 years.

ACTION: The Board empowered Executive Officer Elroi J. Windsor and Treasurer Heather E. Dillaway to solicit suitable nominations and volunteers from among the membership.

2023–2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ZOOM MEETING, MONDAY, MAY 6, 2024, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM (EDT), VIRTUAL MEETING CONDUCTED VIA ZOOM

ACTION: The Board approved the Proposed By-Laws Amendments with Rationale. These will now appear in the 2024 SSSP General Election.

ACTION: The Board approved all recommendations as per the report.

VOTES CONDUCTED BY EMAIL

ACTION: 8/28/23 – The Board approved the minutes from the 7/24/23 Zoom Meeting.

ACTION: 10/05/23 – The Board approved Sarah Jane Brubaker as replacement for Tracy Peressini on the Anti-Harassment Committee for the 2023-2025 term, and the Board approved Lauren Eastwood for the Parliamentarian Position Appointment for the 2023-2026 term.

ACTION: 10/25/23 – The Board Approved the revised request for meeting space for the Institutional Ethnography Division Workshop, 2024.

ACTION: 10/27/23 – The Board approved Christina Barmon will replace Soma Chaudhuri as Chair of the Kathleen S. Lowney Mentoring Award Committee for the 2023-2024 term.

ACTION: 11/13/23 – The Board approved that the SSSP will sign another 5-year contract with Oxford University Press (OUP) to publish *Social Problems*.

ACTION: 11/22/23 – The Board approved the 2024 Proposed SSSP Annual Meeting Accessibility Statement.

ACTION: 12/07/23 – The Board approved the minutes from the 8/20/23 Board Meeting in Philadelphia.

ACTION: 12/12/23 – The Board approved the Statement on Including Principles of Sociology, which will appear on the public comment portal, where members can comment.

ACTION: 1/22/24 – The Board approved sending for a member vote a statement adapted from the American Anthropological Association's statement on the violence in Israel and Palestine.

ACTION: 1/22/24 – The Board approved adding a third option for voting on the issuance of statements: "Prefer Not to Vote."

ACTION: 1/28/24 – The Board approved the minutes from the 1/11/24 Zoom Meeting.

ACTION: 2/26/24 – The Board approved the minutes from the 2/08/24 Zoom Meeting.

ACTION: 3/14/24 – The Board approved the composition of the Ad hoc Proposed Meeting Format Committee for the 2028 Annual Meeting.

ACTION: 3/22/24 – The Board approved the *Social Problems* Subscription and Article Processing Charge pricing.

ACTION: 4/01/24 – The Board approved selecting the Iskweu Project, an initiative of the Native Women's Shelter of Montreal, for the 2024 SSSP Indigenous Peoples' Social Justice Award.

ACTION: 4/03/24 – The Board approved scheduling a discussion of the proposed by-laws amendments.

ACTION: 4/17/24 – The Board approved the Revised Proposal of the Ad Hoc Development Committee.

ACTION: 4/30/24 – In an expedited vote, the Board approved a Statement on Campus Protests.

ACTION: 5/07/24 – The Board approved Dr. Aida Villanueva as Chair of the Arlene Kaplan Daniels Paper Award Committee for the 2023-2024 term.

ACTION: 5/15/24 – The Board approved a request for meeting space in Montreal from a group of sociologists temporarily called "The Feminist Collective."

ACTION: 5/20/24 – The Board approved that the SSSP will hold its 2026 annual meeting at The Westin New York at Times Square.

ACTION: 5/31/24 – The Board approved revisions to the Anti-Harassment Policy to be incorporated into the SSSP Anti-Harassment Policy, Operations Manual, and the Society's website.

ACTION: 6/14/24 – The Board considered three (3) proposed resolutions. Proposed Resolutions 1 and 2 advanced and were posted to the Society's website for membership comment. Proposed Resolution 3 was tabled and did not move forward.

Proposed Resolution 1: Expression of Gratitude

Post as Written: 14 votes

Modify: 0 votes

Table: 0 votes

Abstain: 0 votes

Did Not Vote: 3 board members

Proposed Resolution 2: Thanking Outgoing *Social Problems* Co-Editors Annulla Linders, Earl Wright II, and Derrick Brooms and the *Social Problems* Community of Scholars

Post as Written: 14 votes

Modify: 0 votes

Table: 0 votes

Abstain: 0 votes

Did Not Vote: 3 board members

Proposed Resolution 3: Resolution to Support Increased Funding of Initiatives that Bring Together Palestinians and Israelis

Post as Written: 5 votes

Modify: 0 votes

Table: 7 votes

Abstain: 2 votes

Did Not Vote: 3 board members

ACTION: 6/27/24 – The Board reconsidered Proposed Resolution 3. Based on the final vote, Resolution 3 was tabled and did not move forward.

Proposed Resolution 3: Resolution to Support Increased Funding of Initiatives that Bring Together Palestinians and Israelis

Post: 7 votes

Table: 3 votes

Abstain: 3 votes

Recused Self: 1 board member

Did Not Vote: 3 board members

ACTION: 7/22/24 – The Board approved the minutes from the 5/06/24 Zoom Meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Glenn Muschert, SSSP Secretary. Listings current as of 7/23/24.