ASC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

November 6, 1984

Clarion Hotel - Cincinnati, Ohio

Members Present: Duncan Chappell
Roland Chilton
Albert K. Cohen
Malcolm W. Klein
Carl Klockars
J. Robert Lilly
Harold E. Pepinsky

Joan Petersilia
Albert J. Reiss, Jr.
Marc Riedel
Charles W. Thomas
Austin T. Turk
Diane Vaughan
Margaret A. Zahn

Also Present: Susan Martin
Gerhard O.W. Mueller

Joseph Weis
Marvin Wolfgang

President Reiss called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.

The minutes of the March 16-17, 1984 Board Meeting in New Orleans were approved as distributed.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Austin Turk's recommendation's for committee appointments and the reappointment of J. Robert Lilly as Treasurer were distributed. (Copy attached.)

A motion to approve the appointments as recommended passed unanimously.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominations Committee report was distributed and Albert K. Cohen and Malcolm W. Klein were asked to leave while their names and the names of other nominees were discussed.

A motion was made to accept the Nomination Committee's first two recommendations for President-Elect, Don Gottfredson and Malcolm W. Klein, as ranked and to rank Albert K. Cohen and Charles Wellford third and fourth respectively. Motion passed unanimously.

Albert K. Cohen and Malcolm W. Klein were asked to return. Albert K. Cohen asked that his name be removed from the list. A motion was made to make Charles Wellford the second nominee on the list of Vice-Presidential nominees. Favor: 2; Opposed: 8. Motion failed.

A motion was made to accept the nominations for Vice President-Elect in the order in which they were listed by the Nominations Committee (Edith E. Flynn, Charles H. McCaghy, Harold E. Pepinsky and Joseph E. Scott). Motion passed unanimously.

J. Robert Lilly asked that his nomination for Executive Counselor be withdrawn and moved that the nominations for Executive Counselor be accepted as listed by the Nominations Committee. Favor: 5; Opposed: 9. The motion failed.
A motion was made to move Nicole Rafter from position 7 to position 4 on the nominations for Executive Counselor, making the revised list Joseph E. Scott, Robert Meier, Terence P. Thornberry and Nicole Rafter. Favor: 9; Opposed: 5. Motion passed.

A motion was made to accept the remaining list of Don Gibbons, Richard Moran, and Neil Weiner as additional nominees for Executive Counselor. Motion passed unanimously.

The Executive Secretary will contact nominees about their willingness to run in the order in which they are listed—until there are two nominees for each position.

PUBLICATIONS AND STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

Austin Turk presented a brief oral report on the process followed by the Publications Committee in soliciting bids for publication of Criminology. He also reported the outcome of the Steering Committee meeting at LaGuardia Airport, the decision to invite John Wiley to be the publisher of CRIMINOLOGY, and receipt of a draft contract from Wiley. After some discussion of the limitations and disadvantages of the draft contract, a motion was made to provide each Executive Board member with a copy of the draft contract, to ask the President and President-Elect to appoint a committee to review the draft contract for issues and concerns expressed by the Board, and to report to the Executive Board at its November 11, 1984 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

After a brief recess, the President and President-Elect constituted a committee consisting of the President, President-Elect, Vice President-Elect, Executive Secretary, Treasurer and the outgoing editor of CRIMINOLOGY.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT

Malcolm W. Klein presented a series of amendments to the Constitution for approval by the Board. Two proposed amendments to the Constitution were modified to make them consistent with changes recommended at the New Orleans Board meeting. Specifically, Section VII A. of the amended Constitution was modified to read as follows:

Nominations. The Nominations Committee shall oversee development of a slate of officers. The membership shall be notified by mail, inviting nominations two months prior to closing of nominations. Any member receiving nominations from two percent of the membership from fellow members shall be entered on the ballot for the office designated. The Nominations Committee, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, may place additional names on the ballot only if two nominees for each position do not result from the open invitation, and may not thereby exceed two nominations. The list of nominees will then be announced to the membership and members may place additional candidates for each office on the ballot if such candidates receive nominations from two percent of the membership.

Section VII B of the amended Constitution was modified to read as follows:

Voting. All members and member institutions in good standing at the time at which ballots are mailed shall be entitled to vote. Voting shall be by secret ballot. Tied elections shall be resolved by a run-off election.
A motion was made to amend the Constitution as recommended by the Constitution and By-Laws Committee and the Executive Board. Motion passed unanimously.

The amendments to the Constitution approved at this Board meeting are assumed to have been presented to the Executive Secretary by a majority of the members of the Executive Board as provided by the Constitution. The Executive Secretary shall notify the membership of the pending vote and shall arrange for the ballot.

A motion was made to make the constitutional change approved by the membership in the Society's last election effective at the end of Austin Turk's term as President. President Reiss ruled the motion out of order because constitutional changes take effect when they are approved by the membership.

Harold E. Pepinsky moved to invite Austin Turk's nominees to attend Executive Board meetings for the coming year. The motion failed for lack of a second.

TREASURER'S REPORT

J. Robert Lilly commented on his report which had been previously distributed to members of the Executive Board. Recommendations in his report for reducing expenses and of raising income were discussed, as were possible future financial problems of the Society. After some discussion, it was moved that annual membership dues be raised to thirty-five ($35) dollars and that annual dues for student members be raised to twenty ($20) dollars, effective with the new membership year which starts on January 1, 1985. Favor: 11; Opposed: 3. Motion passed.

A motion was made to raise the pre-registration fee for the annual meeting to forty ($40) dollars. Favor: 10; Opposed: 2. Motion carried.

ADVERTISING & BOOK EXHIBIT REPORT

J. Robert Lilly reported that he has not received a proposed contract from Harve Horowitz but reported in his contacts with other associations that some associations are no longer using Horowitz's services. Most major associations are doing their exhibits in-house. Lilly reported that on October 22 he had a long telephone conversation with Horowitz and discussed what the attitude was toward his service to the Society and inquired if we were considering doing the exhibit in-house. He listed his sources of irritation with the Society and mentioned the long and serious hostility from Sarah towards him. Horowitz said he expected more cooperation from the Society and the Executive Office and would increase his percentage costs to 35%.

A motion was made by Harold E. Pepinsky and seconded by Charles W. Thomas to not renew ASC's advertising and exhibits contract with Harve Horowitz. Motion passed unanimously.

Lilly inquired from the Board if they accepted the idea of ASC doing the advertising and exhibits in-house for at least three years. Someone within the Society would be needed to handle the in-house exhibit and could be provided with a complimentary room at the annual meeting to work on the exhibit full time while in attendance. The Board agreed that the Society's advertising and exhibits would be done in-house.

Following a brief report of the Program Chair, the meeting was recessed until 7:30 a.m., Wednesday, November 7, 1984.
President Reiss reconvened the meeting, presented a brief oral report on the Council of Professional Associations on Federal Statistics and suggested that we set aside consideration of membership for this year while waiting to see how the budget looks.

A motion was made that the Society continue its annual adjunct membership in the Consortium of Social Science Associations (COSSA) at the minimum fee of $500.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Roland Chilton presented the results of last spring’s election, noting that Lloyd E. Ohlin was elected President-Elect, Joan Petersilia, Vice President-Elect and that Joan McCord and John Hagan were elected to the Executive Board as Executive Counselors. Susan Martin, who received the third largest number of votes in the Executive Board election, was appointed to the Board to fill the seat vacated for this year by Joan Petersilia’s election as Vice President-Elect.

SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT

President Reiss announced that the Society’s 1985 meeting will be held in San Diego at the Town and Country Hotel, but that a site must still be selected for the 1986 meeting.

J. Robert Lilly reported for the Site Selection Committee on its recommendation for 1986. After some discussion of possibilities in New Orleans, Washington, D.C. and Atlanta, a motion was made that the 1986 meeting be held in Atlanta and that the Society begin negotiations with the Downtown Marriott in Atlanta. Motion passed unanimously.

Following a brief report on the history of problems encountered with recent Site Selection Committees, several suggestions were made of ways to get site selection under control. One alternative was for the Board to specify the sites to be investigated. Another suggestion was to give the Site Selection Committee criteria for selecting sites and negotiating with hotels. A third possibility involved hiring a private firm to do site selection.

J. Robert Lilly, reporting for the current Site Selection Committee, recommended that (1) the Site Selection Committee work more closely with the program chair, (2) that the Board set rules for the allocation of complimentary rooms and that the ratio of such rooms to occupancy be negotiated each year (rather than simply letting the hotels set the ratio), (3) that the Board investigate the use of a special site selection committee, and (4) that the Society be more aggressive in dealing with hotel representatives.

Following additional discussion of the need to create some continuity in membership on the Site Selection Committee, President Reiss suggested that the Board postpone selection of a 1987 location until the Sunday Board meeting. President Reiss’ recommendations for the allocation of complimentary rooms at the Clarion Hotel were accepted without objection.

DIVISION ON WOMEN AND CRIME REVISED CONSTITUTION

Following a review of the revised constitution of the Division on Women and Crime, a motion was made to accept the revised constitution. Motion passed unanimously.
AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT

In response to suggestions made by the chairman of the 1984 Awards Committee, and a general discussion of the Board's role in the selection of award recipients, a motion was made that the Awards Committee be asked to suggest at least two nominees for each major award to the Board and that the Board either accept one of the nominees or reject both. If the Board rejects both nominees, the Awards Committee should be asked to suggest another nominee. Motion passed unanimously.

ETHICAL ISSUES IN CRIMINOLOGICAL RESEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT

Marcia Chaiken discussed the Committee's written report and indicated that the issues raised in the report were to be discussed in a special session on Saturday.

A motion was made to urge the incoming Ethical Issues Committee to continue the work of this year's committee and to bring a draft document of a statement of general ethical principles for criminological research to the Board for its consideration. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roland Chilton
Executive Secretary