

ASC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, November 18, 2000, 1-3PM
Westin St. Francis, San Francisco

Meeting brought to order by President Ronald Huff, 1:00PM. Attending Roland Chilton, Past President; Larry Sherman, President Elect; Lynne Goodstein, Treasurer; Doris MacKenzie, Executive Secretary; Chris Eskridge, Executive Director; Christy Visser, Vice- President Elect; Todd Clear, Vice-President; Robert Bursik, Jr., Editor, Criminology; and Executive Counselors Sally Hillsman; Julie Horney; Candace McCoy; Cathy Spatz Widom; Steve Messner; John Braithwaite, and Cheryl Maxson.

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President Ronald Huff called the meeting to order. He stated that his two highest priorities for his year as ASC president were: (1) improving diversity within ASC with respect to our membership, especially with respect to racial and ethnic diversity and (2) recognizing "global diversity" in criminology by pursuing closer organizational linkages between the ASC and other scholarly societies in our field. With respect to diversity of the membership, he initiated a discussion with the Minority Affairs Committee which led to Orlando Rodriguez's report (summarized below) and a discussion with Chris Eskridge leading to Chris's contacting publishers in our field to determine their interest in helping ASC fund an initiative to increase our diversity. With respect to global diversity, he appointed ASC representatives to a large number of related professional societies around the world.

1. COSSA Report. Howard Silver presented a report on COSSA's activities including: an overview of changes due to national elections, NSF changes, federal budget (appropriation for research, large amount earmarked), and human subject protection (accreditation of institutions and institutional review boards, certification of researchers) and dues structure for COSSA membership. The Board discussed the COSSA dues structure.
2. Undergraduate mentoring proposal. Orlando Rodriguez presented the Minority Affairs Committee report. There is a strong interest in attracting more minorities to the field. The board requested the Minority Affairs Committee to work with Chris Eskridge to develop a proposal for a minority initiative that would improve the diversity of members.
3. Comments on 2000 Annual Meeting (Deborah Baskin) Approximately 2800 attended. Few problems were reported. A survey asking panel chairs to report on attendance at their panels was conducted. A formal business meeting as required in the ASC by-laws was not scheduled but since the meeting is usually poorly attended no one seemed to notice it until too late. The Board thanked the Program Chairs for their work.
4. 2001 Annual Meeting program. Valerie Jenness reported two concerns about next year's meeting. First, the due date for paper submissions has changed from March 31 to March 1. Some people worry that this will lead to confusion on paper submissions. The question is how to manage late papers. Placement on a panel is not guaranteed if papers arrive late. The Board discussed panel scheduling and the overlap of topics at the same time period. The Board requested that Al Avery attempt to work on this problem so that panels on similar topics would not be scheduled at the same time period. A "Dunk the Editor" game is being considered during the annual meeting. The Board asked Chris Eskridge to investigate: (1) whether Dell or other computer company would set up computers at the Annual Meeting in the book exhibit for members to check their email and (2) ways to increase the number of employers in the employment exchange who place their advertisements on the web.
5. ASC Division Reports.
 - A. Critical Criminology (Martin Schwartz) No report was submitted. The Division will be asked to submit a report for the next ASC Board Meeting.
 - B. International . (William Chambliss) Previously, there had been some complaints about where international members have been placed on panels and time and day of international panels. This problem was discussed at the Program Committee Meeting. The Division has two awards: Lifetime Award and Outstanding Book Award. International members also had a discussion on the

ASC journal Criminology and the concern that few international papers get published in the ASC journal. A suggestion was made that international members should be encouraged to submit more manuscripts to the journal.

C. People of Color and Crime. (Stephanie Bush-Baskette) There was a concern that previously there had always been a representative of the Board at the luncheon. This year there was no representative there; a Presidential Plenary was scheduled at the same time as the luncheon and this may be the reason no representative attended. Other conflicts in the schedule occurred. The Division asks that next year the schedule be reviewed more carefully in order to eliminate such problems. The Division changed the Constitution and By-Laws so that officer terms would be for two years. The Division expressed a concern about the tenure and promotion procedures at universities and how these affected their members.

D. Women and Crime. (Nancy Wonders) The Division asked about the resolution on women and incarceration that they had presented to the Board. The resolution had been sent to the National Policy Committee with a request that they respond. The Board voted to ask the National Policy Committee to inform the Board of their response to the resolution from the DWC.

E. Corrections and Sentencing. (Doris MacKenzie) The Division voted to give three awards: Student Paper Award, Distinguished Investigator Award and New Investigator. The Division was considering the possibility of having an official journal. The Board voted to inform Chairs of each Division that the ASC Constitution does not allow Divisions to have official journals. The Division plans to organize a prison visit and asked the Board if the visit could be one of the official ASC Program Tours. ASC will not be scheduling tours as part of the Annual Meeting. The Board voted that the DCS organize a prison visit if they want.

6. International Linkages. Bill Chambliss and the International Division will prepare a list of international criminology organizations with whom ASC might want to establish links. In 1995 and 1996, the International Society of Criminology asked ASC to have a joint meeting; this did not occur. Larry Sherman asked ASC to consider having a joint meeting at the World Congress of the ISC in August 2003 in Rio or August 2005 in Philadelphia. One advantage is that they have simultaneous translation at some sessions. The idea of a video conference was discussed; however, it was pointed out that flights are not prohibitively expensive.
7. 2008 Site Selection . Chris Eskridge reported that four cities are being considered: Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Louis, New Orleans. The Site Selection Committee will make a report at the mid-winter board meeting.
8. 2000-2001 ASC Budget (Chris Eskridge and Treasurer Lynne Goodstein) The Budget was approved by the Board.
9. Proposal Re: ASC Policy Papers/publications: Larry Sherman proposed that ASC have a separate journal focusing on policy relevance. This would be a second ASC journal possibly named "Criminology and Public Policy." The Board voted to inquire of the editor of the new NIJ journal (Todd Clear) whether there is any interest in having ASC own this journal and that NIJ and the Editor consider changing the name of the journal in light of the future possibility of ASC owning the journal. Motion accepted with two abstentions. The Board discussed budget implications, advantages, disadvantages and alternatives. The Board asked Larry Sherman to submit a proposal for the new journal addressing the Board's concerns.
10. Appointments to Criminology Board. (Robert Bursik, Jr.). Sally Simpson and Diana Fishbein will be added to board. The Board accepted the appointments to the Criminology Board.
11. Code of Ethics (Lynne Goodstein). The Code of Ethics was presented to the Board last year and Board members were asked to familiarize themselves with the code. Todd Clear revised the code but these revisions have not been sent to the Code of Ethics Committee. The Board requested that Todd Clear's suggested revisions be submitted to the Committee and to Lynne Goodstein for comment. Lynne Goodstein asked that mention of the Code of Ethics in the Board Minutes over the last few years be presented to the Board.
12. ASC email list, member directory, abstract book. The Board voted to eliminate the publication of the abstract book. The Board voted to eliminate the printed version of the membership list.

13. Next Meeting. April 27-28 at Atlanta Marriott Marquis Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia.
Adjournment

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ASC Executive Secretary