ASC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Saturday November 17, 2007
Atlanta Marriott Marquis Hotel

MINUTES


The meeting was called to order at 12:05 pm

1. President’s Report

The president thanked the Program Chairs, Staff, and Board for a successful meeting.

2. United Nations Representative Report (Ineke Marshall, Alex Piquero, Pat Van Voorhis)

As discussed at Tuesday’s meeting, the Ad-hoc Committee reached a compromise position involving appointment of an ASC UN Representative. President Bob Bursik’s nomination of Ineke Marshall as UN representative was accepted by a unanimous vote of the Board, with Bill Pridemore to serve as alternate.

3. St. Louis Program Report (Bob Bursik)

The 2008 Annual Meetings will take place in the Adam’s Mark Hotel in St. Louis, featuring the cuisine and music of the area. Jody Miller and David Curry will serve as Program Co-chairs.

4. Philadelphia Report (Chris Eskridge for Todd Clear)

Natasha Frost and Todd Freilich were approved as Program Co-chairs by unanimous vote of the Board.

5. CPP Report (Tom Blomberg)

Editor Tom Blomberg described steps taken to increase the visibility of *Criminology and Public Policy*. The editorial team has been soliciting manuscripts, drafting press releases for lead articles, seeking ISI status with Blackwell, and working to differentiate *Criminology* and *CPP*.

6. Committee Reports
A. Constitution Revision Committee (Michael Tonry). Charles Wellford’s committee has done an astonishing amount of work and revisions are expected in April or November.

B. Publications Committee (Steve Messner). The Board discussed the memo from Doris Mackenzie on reprint issues.

   i. Reprint Issues

   A motion that ASC make a reasonable effort to contact the first authors of requests for reprints, as a courtesy was passed by unanimous vote of the Board.

   A motion to raise reprint fees from $50 to $100 for a full reprint for print rights only was passed by unanimous vote of the Board.

   A motion to allow excerpts or abridgements with the first author’s permission, to be secured by the party requesting the material was passed by the Board (with one opposed). In the event that the first author is unavailable, a co-author will be contacted. If none of the coauthors are available, the request for permission would go to the vice president on behalf of the chair of the publications committee.

   ii. *The Criminologist*

   The Board discussed proposals to enhance the design and substantive content of *The Criminologist*. A motion that the ASC Board solicit an editor for *The Criminologist* from among the Society’s membership, to serve a 3-year term renewable for a second term, and to be provided with $5,000 in support, was passed by unanimous vote of the Board. Proposals would be received by the April 2008 meeting (to be extended to the November 2008 meeting) to begin January 2009.

C. Teaching Committee (Bob Agnew for Bonnie Berry)

   The committee is close to having a solicitation for the Teaching Award, to recognize excellence in criminological education. The teaching committee is also working with an ASA task force on criminology within sociology programs.

D. Outstanding article issue

   The Board discussed problems in creating an outstanding article award that has yet to be presented, leading to disgruntlement, concern, and confusion on the part of the membership. A timetable for presenting past and future awards was discussed.

E. Division Reports

   a. Corrections and Sentencing (Cassie Spohn)
A motion that the ASC Executive Board appoint Cassie Spohn as a liaison to the Division was approved by unanimous vote of the Board.

b. Critical Criminology (no report)

c. International Criminology (Cindy Smith), Rosemary Barberet

The Division requested searchable keywords be available in the online program to better identify sessions. These could include an “organized by” or “sponsored by” designation to direct members to sessions of interest. Bob Bursik suggested calling Jody Miller regarding the program committee.

d. People of Color and Crime (Hilary Potter)

The Division noted that the outreach tables were poorly placed in this year’s meeting. It worked well by the registration tables on the first day, but would be better placed near the book exhibit area thereafter. The entertainment for the Fellowship Dance was discussed and the Hot Spots were thanked for voluntarily raising many thousands of dollars on behalf of the DPCC.

e. Women and Crime (Susan Krumholz)

The Division recommended that the ASC server be upgraded (this has occurred); that each division have a voting representative on the Board; and, that there be more openness on the committees and business meetings.

F. New Business

Ad Hoc Committee on Domestic Crime Policy (Todd Clear)

An ad hoc committee to help ASC think about broad strategic options for domestic crime policy was passed by unanimous vote of the Board.

Michael Tonry was applauded for putting together an excellent meeting, with the Jimmy Carter session especially well-attended. In light of President Carter’s talk on policy issues, the Board discussed the appropriate role for the Society with regard to policy questions, including development of substantive policy and methodological briefs and the potential for ASC Congressional fellows, along the lines of the American Sociological Association’s model.

The Board discussed the appropriate uses of the ASC endowment for special projects that would facilitate long-term planning and protect the Society’s long-term interests. Chris Eskridge, Wayne Osgood, and John Wright will act as an ad hoc committee to determine the
availability of funds for such purposes and report back to the Board.

A motion to provide a Lifetime Service Award to honor Sara Hall’s fine service to the Society was passed by unanimous vote of the Board.

G. Next Meeting – 3-7 pm Friday April 25-26th