

Society for Socialist Studies
General Assembly Membership Meeting

June 17, 2022 – by Zoom

12 noon - 1:30 pm Pacific; 1-2:30 pm Mountain; 2-3:30 pm Central; 3-4:30 pm Eastern; 4-5:30 pm Atlantic; 5:30-7:00 pm Newfoundland

Draft Minutes (pending GAMM approval, 2023)

1. Territorial Acknowledgement and Presidential Welcome (Radhika Desai, President)
2. Technical Orientation (Megan Aiken, Membership Secretary)
3. Approval of Agenda (Jamie Lawson, Secretary)
 - a. **David Camfield/Elaine Coburn: Move to add an agenda item on preserving the nonaligned and nonpartisan character of the Society; carried**
 - b. **Move to approve agenda as amended; carried**
4. Approval of the Draft General Assembly Membership Meeting Minutes, 2021 (Jamie Lawson, Secretary)
 - a. **Move to accept Draft Minutes; carried**
5. Presidential Report (Radhika Desai)
6. Treasurer's Financial Report (Cheryl Hewitt)
 - a. **Treasurer moves acceptance of financial report 2021-2022 (carried)**
7. Errol Sharpe Book Prize announcement: Cynthia J. Cranford for *Homecare Faultlines* (ILR Press Cornell University Press, 2020)
 - a. Commendation by Elaine Coburn, member of Book Prize Committee, for Meg Luxton, Chair, Book Prize Committee
 - b. Cynthia Cranford unable to be present
8. Presentation from Federation of the Humanities and Social Sciences (approx. 12:45 pm Pacific)
9. Presentation of 2022-23 budget (Cheryl Hewitt)
 - a. **Treasurer moves to approve proposed budget (Cheryl/Sandra, carried)**
10. Report on Conference Panels and Membership (Megan Aiken)
11. Report on Journal of Socialist Studies (Sandra Rein)
 - a. **Move to accept report (Sandra/Elaine, carried)**
12. Discussion on nonaligned and nonpartisan character of society (David Camfield from the floor)
 - a. After some introductory remarks, David requests time to permit discussion before motion
 - b. Procedural Discussion followed
 - c. **Motion: That the GAMM set aside 15 minutes for open discussion on the sponsorship of events, and address how specific organizations are vetted for affiliation to SSS. (Sandra/Elaine, Errol; carried)**
 - i. After fifteen minutes, the chair closed discussion.
13. Journal Editorship – Interim Measures (Sandra Rein, Jamie Lawson)
 - a. Call for Applications has been delayed past the six-month period before the current editor's end of term.

- b. **The executive announced its intention to extend the term of the current editor for a year, or until a normal six-month search is undertaken and a replacement or co-editor is found.**

14. Executive Elections (Jamie Lawson)*

- a. President (Radhika Desai)
- b. Treasurer (Cheryl Hewett)
- c. Membership Secretary (Alison Bodine)
- d. Members-at-Large (Bill Carroll, Megan Aiken with special assignments for events)
- e. Student/Youth Representatives (Brendan Devlin, Will Kujala)
- f. Activist Scholars Representatives (2)

No nominations being received from the floor, and no roles being contested, the listed candidates were elected by acclamation.

15. Programme Planning Announcements: York University 2023

- a. Key to find a chair
- b. Needs some excellent planning
- c. Needs also members

16. Radhika: thanks to all

17. Adjournment

*Note appended to GAMM Minutes, JL Secretary: All executive positions elected are for two-year terms, with the exception of the treasurer. The treasurer's term is for three years.