

ASC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 14, 2023
Philadelphia Marriott Downtown
Franklin 11

Lisa Broidy, Katheryn Russell-Brown, Rod Brunson, Bonnie Fisher, Natasha Frost, Venessa Garcia, Elizabeth Groff, Valerie Jenness, Kareem Jordan, Shadd Maruna, Melissa Morabito, Anthony Peguero, Andres Rengifo, Min Xie, Chris Eskridge (recorder)

The meeting was called to order by ASC President Shadd Maruna at 3:10 pm, Eastern time on Tuesday, November 14, 2023.

1. Shadd welcomed the attendees.
2. The Board unanimously voted to approve the diversity and inclusion statement below, with links as noted in the statement to be developed and updated over time.

ASC's Commitment to Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion

The American Society of Criminology (ASC) strives to foster an inclusive community of scholars, researchers, practitioners, teachers, and students who are committed to advancing criminological knowledge as well as criminological practice in ways that promote diversity, equity, and inclusion. As an international organization, we recognize the imperative of promoting these values in every facet of our mission and activities, as well as within the field of criminology writ large.

Growing a Diverse Pipeline: ASC is committed to nurturing a robust pipeline of diverse criminologists, recognizing that broad perspectives enrich and advance the field in ways that expand and deepen our impact. We are committed to creating and nourishing opportunities for mentorship, teaching, research collaboration, and professional development to empower the next generation of criminologists.

Centering Marginalized Communities: ASC acknowledges the profound impact of crime and crime control measures on marginalized people and communities in the context of broad systemic inequalities. We pledge to initiate, sustain, and promote research and scholarship that address the deeply entrenched challenges faced by marginalized people and communities and to ensure that their voices are heard, understood, and valued in our academic and professional discourse and practices. By doing so, we aim to amplify our contributions to the meaningful development of solutions that promote justice and equity.

Addressing Past Harm: ASC is resolute in its commitment to dismantling barriers to access within the field of criminology. We recognize the historical inequities and harm that have marred our discipline's past ([link to panels](#)). Through sustained commitment and ongoing effort ([add link here](#)), we continually strive to create a more equitable and welcoming space where all individuals, regardless of their social categories, can

flourish and contribute to the advancement of inclusive criminological knowledge and practice.

Building on these principles, ASC aspires to foreground diversity, equity, and inclusion as a central tenet of its core mission within the realm of criminology and criminal justice. We invite our members, partners, and stakeholders to join us on this journey, as we work collectively to create a just, equitable, and inclusive future for our discipline and the diverse communities we serve.

Examples of ASC's Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Efforts ([create link to include in above DEI statement](#))

- Established a childcare grant to help support parents and caregivers with on-site childcare costs
- Financially supported Black@ASC for at least three years
- Increased Ruth D. Peterson Fellowship for Racial and Ethnic Diversity to \$8,000
- Organized Presidential Sessions that reflect pressing justice concerns with diverse composition on those panels:
 - “Honoring Criminology’s Unpaid Debt to W. E. B. Du Bois”
 - “50th Anniversary of Mass Incarceration”
 - “Reckoning with Police Violence in America”
- Established the following divisions:
 - Feminist Criminology (DFC) ~ Est. 1982
 - People of Color & Crime (DPCC) ~ Est. 1996
 - Rural Criminology (DRC) ~ Est. 2018
 - Queer Criminology (DQC) ~ Est. 2020
 - Convict Criminology (DCC) ~ Est. 2022
- ASC supported the establishment of the following division journals:
 - Race & Justice
 - International Criminology
 - Feminist Criminology

3. Volkan Topali gave the Board an update on the Criminology “handover” logistics.

4. The Board voted to include language in the Carte Award narrative to the effect that those who submit papers for the Carte award must sign a statement that verifies that they are the authors of the said piece (ie., the piece is not plagiarized). The students’ academic advisor will also submit a signed statement that to the best of their knowledge, the paper has been authored by the said student and is not plagiarized. If the Carte Committee feels the paper was plagiarized, the Committee Chair may contact the said student’s advisor and indicate that the Carte Committee feels that the paper may have been plagiarized.

5. The Board voted to approve the establishment of the W. E. B. DuBois Research Award. The Board will vote on this matter again at the upcoming Saturday Board meeting. The approved language is as follows:

The W.E.B. Du Bois Research Award is given to recognize transformative scholarship that engages criminology, criminal justice and race/ethnicity. The scholarship may be

based on research that investigates in the intellectual tradition of Du Bois, such as an examination of race/ethnicity-related issues through methodology, theory development/critique, historical analysis, and/or ethnographic scholarship. The award, which may be given to an individual or collaborators, may be based on a single book, a single article, a thread of related research, or the body of work of a senior scholar.

Members of the ASC Board may not receive this award during their term in office. The Executive Board may decide not to give the award in any given year. Award decisions will be based on the strength of the nominees' qualifications and not on the number of nomination endorsements received for any particular candidate.

6. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm