

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY

Executive Office

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY
THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20017

January 1, 1968

TO: All members of the Executive Committee
FROM: Samuel A. Kramer, Executive Secretary
SUBJECT: Next meeting of Committee in New York, January 25-26, 1968
Minutes of previous meeting on November 4-5, 1967

As agreed at our recent meeting, the next session of the Executive Committee will be held in New York on January 25, 1968, with a continuation the next day, if necessary. We will meet in the office of our President, Professor Gerhard O. W. Mueller, School of Law, New York University. The local address is 40 Washington Square, South; Vanderbilt Hall. We will then move to a suitable room, as arranged by Professor Mueller. The proceedings are to start at 9:30 a.m.

As indicated below, many items require decisions to make possible continuous programs to meet the purposes of our Society. Other matters may also need our attention. You may wish to write to me about these, in order to add them to our agenda; or you may prefer to present the points without any prior listing.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON NOVEMBER 4-5, 1967.

The meeting was started on November 4, but could not be completed because of the full program arranged for the total membership. Therefore, it was continued at a breakfast meeting November 5. The following matters were considered, with decisions as indicated.

1. Criminologica volumes should continue to be dated and numbered as at present, so that members or subscribers paying on a calendar basis will be entitled to issues 3-4 of one year, and 1-2 of the following volume. All dues and subscriptions are paid on a calendar year basis.
2. The Society will not give free reprints to authors
3. Advertisements will not be accepted for Criminologica, because the tax basis for exemption would be lost. (This was confirmed by a decision of the Internal Revenue Department in December).
4. Special efforts should be made by the editor and/or a publications committee to secure invited papers for publication.
5. Foreign members and subscribers should be asked to make payments in American dollars, to minimize the losses due to currency exchange which amount to about a dollar for each ten dollar receipt. This will be made effective with 1969 invoices.

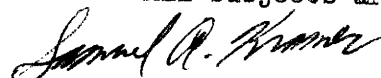
Subscriptions will be accepted for libraries and organizations, but not for individuals; although the student memberships and subscriptions cost the same.

- A member may retain student membership status for five years on a continuous or intermittent basis. Thereafter, active or associate membership is required.
8. A membership committee is to be formed as soon as possible, for a strong drive for new members. Activity should include collating our lists with those of the Criminology Section of ASA, APA, AAAS, and other organizations, to cover all interdisciplinary aspects of our interests.
 9. A clear, thorough, precise, (but not necessarily concise) statement of our history, objectives, current and future programs, and related information must be printed for wide distribution, particularly in connection with the membership drive. Professor Donal MacNamara has agreed to start this.
 10. The Society will continue to have two national meetings annually, plus regional meetings with other associations, such as NCCD. The two annual meetings will be our own as a separate group, and the one with AAAS.
 11. The Society is not to be involved, officially or unofficially, in the final report or activity of the Joint Commission on Correctional Manpower and Training, because we have had no responsibility for the work.
 12. A membership list should be prepared and printed as soon as the dues have been collected for 1968. This should be in February 1968. It will include name, mailing address, and current position or affiliation.
 13. Our President-Elect, Dr. Bruno Cormier, will be the delegate to the Sixth Conference on Research of the Quebec Society of Criminology, for which Dr. Szabo invited our participation.
 14. In addition to the membership and publications committees (items 8 and 4), units are needed for governmental relations, publicity, precedents, data gathering, information, and other purposes. Some or all of these will be appointed as soon as possible.
 15. Preparations for the next annual meeting, to be held in Canada during November 1-3 or 8-10, must be started immediately. General topic, specific subjects, speakers, and other matters must be arranged promptly. Similarly, this must be done for the AAAS meeting, which will be held in Dallas, Texas about seven weeks after our Canada meeting.
 16. Should we make grants to students for research and scholarship? How large? On what basis? Through what institutions?
 17. What awards should be given in November? Is the Bloch Award permanent? Should the selection or nomination committee start work immediately?
 18. Shall the nominating committee for officers continue to nominate only one person for each office, or shall more be required?
 19. What parts of the constitution need revision? Suggested items include IIA2c, IIA3, IIB, IID5, E, IIIE, IIIF, and some others. This may require a new constitution, rather than piecemeal changes as provided in the By-Laws.
 20. Should the Society launch a series of paperback books in Criminology?



21. How is a new editor of *Criminologica* to be selected, if Dr. Dinitz is unable to continue the duties after the issue of February 1969; or possibly at the end of volume VI, to prevent change of editorship in the middle of a volume.
 22. Other questions concerning the publication are:-
 - (a) Should we try to secure support from the National Science Foundation?
 - (b) Should we try to have the printing done by a university press?
 - (c) Should *Criminologica* be combined with another journal in this field?
 23. The next meeting place will be selected by the President-Elect, and will probably be Toronto, Canada. Should this procedure be continued as a precedent? Do the same factors determine selection of a president and the place of an annual meeting?
 24. The terms of "Fellow" and "Honorary" have not been seriously considered in recent years. We have no list of "Fellows", and we have only one "Honorary" member. I have interpreted Article 2 of the By-Laws to mean that our one honorary member does not pay dues; but (inconsistently) I have made no such decision regarding "Fellows", because I am not sure who these are.
 25. Certificates of Membership are needed for 1968. Should these be the "diploma" type used previously? Wallet cards? Different for each type of membership, or all to have the same wording and appearance? If "diploma" type, are new ones to be issued each year?
 26. The elected officers for 1968 are:-
 - President-Elect Bruno Cormier
 - Vice-Presidents Simon Dinitz
 - Charles Newman
 - Daniel Glaser
 - Stephen Schafer
- However, Stephen Schafer unequivocally resigned the position, as well as his membership in the Society, immediately after a discussion at the second session of the Executive Committee meeting on November 5. This action may not have been correlated with the subject of the discussion. However, it is necessary to appoint another vice-president, under the terms of section IIAD of the constitution.
27. A nominating committee for officers for 1969 was tentatively appointed by President Mueller. He named Marvin Wolfgang, Donal MacNamara, and Walter Reckless, with a request that a preliminary report was to be made by the end of December 1967. However, Dr. Reckless was not at the meeting, and I have not learned whether he accepted the appointment. Professor Mueller may have received the preliminary report by the time you receive this letter.
 28. The financial report of our meeting in November will be given at the Executive Committee meeting on January 25. There are some aspects that might better not be submitted in writing until after our conference.
 29. Membership and subscription invoices that were recently mailed for the usual January payments contained a statement about the projected membership lists to be prepared in February. However, Article 2c of the By-Laws indicates the cut-off period as the end of April. This is too long to wait for such a listing. Should we allow for a supplementary list, or delay publication?

The fact that decisions are indicated for many of the items, does not mean that changes are not possible. All subjects are available for further action or consideration.


Samuel A. Kramer, Ph.D.
Executive Secretary