Members Present: Cecilia Menjívar (President), Prudence Carter (President-elect), Aldon Morris (Immediate Past President), Nina Bandelj (Vice President), Mignon Moore (Vice President-elect), Nancy López (Secretary-Treasurer), Monica McDermott (Secretary-Treasurer-elect, non-voting), Ruha Benjamin, Jessica Calarco, Cedric de Leon, Crystal Marie Fleming, Laura Hamilton, Maria Krysan, Gilda L. Ochoa, Victor Ray, Daisy Reyes, Vincent Roscigno, Van Tran, Nancy Kidd (executive director, non-voting); Absent: Rhacel Salazar Parreñas (Immediate Past Vice President), Alyasah Sewell
Staff Present: Les Briggs, Erynn Casanova, Karen Edwards, Mark Fernando, Michelle Randall, Hedy Ross, Preeti Vasishthta, Margaret Vitullo, Heather Washington

President Menjívar called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m. Eastern on March 4, 2022.

1. Agenda

A motion was made by López to approve the agenda with one item added. Seconded by Morris. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Consent Agenda

President Menjívar presented the consent agenda which included approval of the August 11, 2021 Council meeting minutes, the December 10, 2021 Council meeting minutes, the January 11, 2022 Council meeting minutes, additional dates on the two-year Council meeting calendar, conflict of interest disclosures as unproblematic and not requiring any special action, amended selection criteria for the Jessie Bernard Award, policy disallowing best article in a journal awards, updated Socius APCs, revision to policy for proposing new journals, Journal of Consumer Research policy board representative, International Sociological Association representative, postponement of some discussions, fundraising request from the International Migration section, section review policies, temporary section bylaws waivers, bylaws amendment proposal for the ballot, process for endorsing statement from the Task Force on the State of the Art in Sociological Scholarship on Race.

The bylaws amendment proposal for the ballot was pulled out of the consent agenda for discussion.

A motion was made by Morris to approve the consent agenda as revised. Seconded by Bandelj. Motion carried with 15 for and 1 abstention.
3. **Bylaws amendment proposal for the ballot**

Council considered a revision to the bylaws requirements for Program Committee membership.

_A motion was made by Moore to amend the bylaws to encourage including two people who served on Program Committees in the past four years on the current Program Committee rather than requiring two people from the previous year’s Program Committee. Seconded by Ray. Motion carried unanimously._

4. **Investment review**

Director of Finance Briggs directed the Council’s attention to the most recent quarterly report from our investment manager and engaged the Council in a discussion of the performance of our portfolio. Briggs also provided a summary of the association’s investment strategy and reported that the Finance Committee recently reviewed the strategy and continues to support the approach.

5. **2021 budget projection**

While the 2021 calendar year has ended, the 2021 books have not yet closed. Briggs provided year-end projections reflecting a surplus for the year.

6. **Ethics review process for leadership**

Director of Governance and Administration Mark Fernando facilitated a discussion about how best to address concerns about the ethics of potential nominees in Committee on Committees, Nominating Committee, and Council Members-At-Large discussions.

7. **Communities**

Deputy Director Margaret Vitullo presented proposals from four groups to form the inaugural ASA Communities. Discussion ensued.

_A motion was made by Moore to approve communities for Korean sociologists in America and sociologists working outside traditional academic settings with the caveats stipulated. Seconded by Tran. Motion carried with 15 for and 1 abstention._

_A motion was made by Moore to approve a community for Filipino sociologists with the caveats stipulated. Seconded by Tran. DeLeon recused himself from the vote. Motion carried with 15 for and 1 abstention._

_A motion was made by Moore to approve a community for first-generation and working-class persons in sociology with the caveats stipulated. Seconded by Tran. Roscigno recused himself from the vote. Motion carried with 15 for and 1 abstention._

8. **Minority Fellowship Program**
Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Heather Washington provided an overview of the financial and programmatic history and current status of the MFP program and facilitated discussion about the program’s future course.

A motion was made by Ochoa to create a fundraising campaign to align with the 50th anniversary of the program. Seconded by Carter. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Executive session

The Council moved into executive session with staff at 1:28 p.m. to discuss the report of the status committee on racial and ethnic minorities; the 2022 Annual Meeting; and editor nominations for Contexts, Journal of Health and Social Behavior, the Rose Series, and the executive director performance review. Staff departed before the executive director performance review discussion.

Council took a break from 2:08 p.m.-3:15 p.m.

Council adjourned at 5:34 p.m.