

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

American Sociological Association
Publications Committee Meeting
July 17, 2025
Zoom video meeting

Members Present: Elizabeth Wrigley-Field (Chair), Elizabeth A. Armstrong, Bart Bonikowski, Elisabeth S. Clemens, Nadia Y. Flores-Yeffal, Angela Jones, Zakiya Luna, Joya Misra, Van C. Tran, Heather Washington (Executive Director, non-voting), Incoming Members Shirley A. Jackson and Theresa Ysabel Rocha Beardall attended as invited observers.

Staff Present: Liska Radachi, Catherine Yim, and Madison Austin.

Chair Wrigley-Field called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. Eastern.

1. Approval of the agenda

A motion was made by Tran to approve the agenda, with the addition of one item of new business: a discussion of standardizing the recommendation format for editor candidates. Seconded by Clemens. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Two-Year Meeting Calendar

A motion was made by Tran to approve the two-year meeting calendar as presented. Seconded by Clemens. Motion carried unanimously.

3. January 23, 2025, Publications Committee meeting minutes and June 2025 ballot vote

A motion was made by Jones to approve the minutes and ballot vote as presented. Seconded by Clemens. Motion carried unanimously.

4. 2027 Editor Searches

The chairs of the editor selection subcommittees provided updates on the editor searches. Publications Committee discussed the details of the search process, with clarification provided by ASA staff, and made suggestions.

The Committee entered executive session.

5. Sociology of Race and Ethnicity Editor Selection

A motion was made by Tran to recommend to Council the proposed candidate for Sociology of Race and Ethnicity editor for 2026-2028. Seconded by Jones. Motion carried unanimously, abstained by invited observers.

6. Editorial Board Nominations

A motion was made by Wrigley-Field to approve the editorial board nominations as submitted, with the exception of the Contexts and Sociological Methodology slates. Seconded by Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously, abstained by invited observers.

A motion was made by Wrigley-Field to ask Contexts and Sociological Methodology to revise and re-submit their editorial board slates by October 1, incorporating the Committee's feedback, with a follow-up Committee vote on the slates to take place. Seconded by Tran. Motion carried unanimously, abstained by invited observers.

The Committee ended executive session.

7. Appointment of DEI subcommittee

A request was made for two volunteers to join the DEI subcommittee. Publications Committee discussed the responsibilities and eligibility requirements for the subcommittee. No volunteers for the subcommittee came forward.

A motion was made by Jones to table the appointment of the DEI subcommittee for a future meeting. Seconded by Tran. Motion carried unanimously, abstained by invited observers.

8. New Business: Expectation of written recommendations

Publications Committee discussed whether to make a written recommendation from the editor selection subcommittees standard procedure. The Committee resolved that henceforth, recommendations should be made in a short, "memo-length" written format.

9. Motion to Adjourn

Chair Wrigley-Field thanked the outgoing members of the Committee.

A motion was made by Jones to Adjourn. Seconded by Tran. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:41 p.m. Eastern.