2021 Section Annual Report for
Collective Behavior and Social Movements

This annual report covers the period of section activity from September 2020 to August 2021 and a fiscal year from January 2021 to December 2021.

Section Governance
Provide details of your section’s governance activity during the period between September 2020 and August 2021.

Business Meeting
Copy and paste below (or attach separately) the agenda and draft/approved meeting minutes from the section business meeting which include a count of members present and summary of decisions made at this meeting.

CBSM Business Meeting (held on Zoom)
August 7, 2021, 12:45 – 1:45 pm Eastern/11:45 am – 12:15 pm Central
VAM Room 67

Agenda

1. Congratulations to this year’s award winners

CBSM Mayer N. Zald Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Student Paper Award


CBSM Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Dissertation Award
Co-winners:

Anna Zhelnina, “Engaging Neighbors: Housing Strategies and Political Mobilization in Moscow’s Renovation”

CBSM Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Article Award
CBSM Charles Tilly Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Book Award

2. Secretary/Treasurer’s report: Dana Fisher
3. Chair’s report:
   o Donation to ASA Minority Fellowship Program
   o Proposal in works to add student members to Council and MDI Committee (Membership, Diversity, and Inclusion)
   o Update on Workshop
   o Update on Publication Committee’s work on section communication
4. Thank you to officers ending their terms and introduction of new Chair, Rory McVeigh
5. New business?

8/7/2021 Business meeting notes (see council meeting report for more details)
Participants on Zoom: 31
Winners of CBSM awards acknowledged.


Chair’s report:
Donation to minority fellowship
Decision to carve out space for graduate students on council and in committees—it will be on the ballot to go for a vote in spring 2022.

On a workshop: this year’s was canceled due to COVID.
Even though our section is not on the first day in 2022, CBSM will have a workshop Aug 4-5 (Thurs to Friday before the ASA begins). Aldon Morris agreed to be keynote speaker. Is being planned to have a ‘crossover’ focus.

Pub committee is working to improve social media presence.
Transition out of many people including Website coordinator.

New chair, secretary/treasurer, committee members announced.

Rory took the helm and made announcements. He ended by encouraging everyone to “be Mayer Zald”—reaching out to others to provide input and give compliments.

Council Meeting
Copy and paste below (or attach separately) the agenda and draft/approved meeting minutes of all council meetings. Minutes must include a list of council members present and a summary of
decisions made. Minutes are not a transcript of proceedings but a listing of what discussions took place and official actions taken.

CBSM Council meeting (virtual)
July 26, 2021, 12-1 pm Eastern Time
To be held on Zoom (link below and also sent in email)

https://purdue-edu.zoom.us/j/93103095014?pwd=UjRzWmxlVZVESkJvZ2I2Zkh0Q3laZz09

Agenda

6. Chair’s report:
   o Thank you to officers ending their terms and welcome to new officers
   o By-Laws changes from last year will take effect September 1
   o Virtual reception at ASA – Friday Aug. 6, 7:00 – 8:00 pm Central, on Zoom (VAM Room 36)
   o Section day is Saturday Aug. 7 – Business Meeting is 11:45 am – 12:15 pm Central (VAM Room 67) followed by Roundtables (VAM Room 50)

7. Secretary/Treasurer’s report: Dana Fisher

8. Update on 2022 Workshop: Eulalie Laschever

9. Items for discussion:
   o Proposed budget for 2021-22 (attached): Rory McVeigh, Incoming Chair
   o Item from Nominations Committee (proposal attached): Tina Fetner (Tina won’t be able to attend so Rachel will lead the discussion for her)
   o Donation of $1000 to ASA Minority Fellowship Program
   o Future awards – should they be limited to winners (not co-winners or honorable mentions)?

10. New business?

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Present: Paul Almeida, Jennifer Brown, Leslie Bunnage, Paul Chang, Joshua Bloom, Rachel Einwohner, Dana Fisher, Kelsy Kretschmer Eulalie Laschever, Tom Maher, Lisa Martinez, Rory McVeigh, Sharon Erickson Nepstad, Daisy Reyes, Deana Rohlinger, Chandra Russo

Agenda

1. Chair’s report:
Thank you to officers ending their terms and welcome to new officers. New council list (adding Paul Chang and Lisa Martinez) takes office at our business meeting. By-Laws changes from last year will take effect September 1. Change passed to create 2 new career awards (Morris and one for scholar of color). Virtual reception at ASA – Friday Aug. 6, 7:00 – 8:00 pm Central, on Zoom (VAM Room 36). Section day is Saturday Aug. 7 – Business Meeting is 11:45 am – 12:15 pm Central (VAM Room 67) followed by Roundtables (VAM Room 50). Final note: CUP award transition—the publisher wants to create a contract but we are trying to get the money for this year. Trying to move forward to an agreement.

2. Secretary/Treasurer’s report: Dana Fisher
   - Current membership is: 726 (13 more than the max last year and 15 less than the max in 2019 pre-COVID)
   - Account balance is $11,459 as of the end of June (subtract awards plaques $273 = $11,186)
   - Discussion about how much a reception will cost in LA next year post COVID.

3. Update on 2022 Workshop: Eulalie Laschever
   - Discussions to reschedule 2021 workshop to 2022, people are starting to discuss a venue. Conversation is ongoing at USC. Theme is “justice agenda”—connections to equity, movements, and organizing. Speakers were lined up for Chicago. Reaching out again and trying to get Aldon Morris as the keynote speaker. Plan to have 2 concurrent sessions plus keynote (like Chicago in the past) but also connect with local activists in LA and also connect with Thursday Aug would be long day but our day is Sunday and LA is expensive. Rory asked about the back end, but they think people will be burned out.
   - Discussion of how to get attention and attendance when it’s before ASA when our day is Sunday.
   - Possible connection with Moby celebration? Committee is reaching out to Hank.

4. Items for discussion:
   - Proposed budget for 2021-22 (attached): Rory McVeigh, Incoming Chair
     - Rory presented his budget for next year. Discussion about whether to co-sponsor reception or not and/or to increase amounts for reception.
     - Budget was passed by vote of 6.
     - Dana will review budget to see why the numbers are different from account.
     - Item from Nominations Committee (proposal attached): Tina Fetner (Tina won’t be able to attend so Rachel will lead the discussion for her)
       - Proposal to add grad students to standing committees, which requires a by-laws change. If we approve, Rachel will mention at business meeting and then it would go to the ballot. Reminder that anyone who runs would be CBSM section members already. Joshua Bloom will suggest/respond to Tina’s proposal of the amendment language. Requests to by-laws are due.
in November. Decision to stick with typical nominations with elected committee but each year there will be a call to go out to students (and advisors to nominate their students).

- Donation of $1000 to ASA Minority Fellowship Program
  Was done last year when we were online. Passed by council. Rachel will email transfer request.

- Future awards – should they be limited to winners (not co-winners or honorable mentions)?
  Should we cap the number of winners? Cost to winners/ giving plaques
  Suggestion of providing certificate for honorable mentions.
  We don’t want to dilute but also recognize people for whom awards matter (where is the tipping point that devalues the meaning of the award).
  Plaques go to winners and Honorable Mentions get certificates. Two co-winners. Try to limit to no more than 2 winners maximum.
  Does the rule have to go into the bylaws? Or does chair communicate the preference of maximum two awardees?
  Rory suggests we try the limit being expressed informally as part of the charge (so no codification via bylaws).
  Suggestion of guidelines for each award to be written up—Paul C. will work with Rachel and Rory to move forward on this.

5. New business?
Tom Maher from publications committee—there are so many different people on committees related including social media/website.
Council should/could consider goals of the different platforms and how could the platforms overlap—ie how to work across different platforms
Suggestion of slack/googledoc/
No clarity about roles and institutional tensions
Tom has notes about how to move forward that he will share with the chair to move forward.
Rory will move forward on this task and Deana has offered to work on this issue.
Tom suggests to mention that we’re working on this issue in the Business meeting and will share notes with Rory to more forward

Awards
Provide a list of section awards and awardees conferred in the past year.

2021 CBSM Section Awards

Section on Collective Behavior and Social Movements
Mayer N. Zald Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Student Paper Award
Current students, as well as those who received their PhD in 2020 or later, are eligible. Any paper (published or unpublished) written in 2020 by a student or students (i.e., no PhD coauthors) is eligible. The committee will accept only one submission per student. A previously
submitted paper may be resubmitted only if significantly revised. Authors may submit their own work, or nominations may be made by section members. No lengthy nominating letters please, and please send all questions to the committee chair. Send a copy of the paper electronically to each member of the award committee by March 1, 2021. Winners will be notified by June 1, 2021.

Mayer Zald Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award Committee:
Rory McVeigh (chair): rmcveigh@nd.edu
Dina Okamoto: dokamoto@indiana.edu
Kelsy Kretschmer: Kelsy.Kretschmer@oregonstate.edu
Anna Zhelnina: azhelnina@gradcenter.cuny.edu

Winner:

From the committee: “The committee found Apoorva Ghosh’s paper, “The Politics of Alignment and the ‘Quiet Transgender Revolution’ in Fortune 500 Corporations, 2008 to 2017,” to be substantively important and felt that it makes a significant contribution to social movement scholarship. The committee found that the paper does an excellent job engaging extant literature to “make room” for your contribution and to highlight the importance of the work. The committee also thought that the theoretical argument about the politics of alignment has broad implications and should be useful to social movement scholars in their own work cutting across the range of issues that motivate protest.”

Honorable mention:

From the committee: “The committee also found Rui Jie Peng’s paper, “Rightful Bargaining: Rural Women Making Claims for Social Provisions in China’s Targeted Poverty Alleviation Program,” to be substantively important. The committee thought that it makes an important contribution to social movement scholarship. Committee members were impressed by the effort and rigor of the paper’s data collection efforts, as well as the skillful presentation of its findings. In particular, they were intrigued by the process of “co-construction of permissible boundaries” that the paper describes and found it to be especially enlightening, as it offers deep insight to micro-level claims making processes.”

Section on Collective Behavior and Social Movements Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Article Award
Articles and chapters from edited books with publication dates of 2020 are eligible. All authors must be members of the section. Authors may submit their own work, or nominations may be made by section members. No lengthy nominating letters please, and please send all questions to the committee chair. Send a copy of the article or chapter electronically to each member of the award committee by March 1, 2021:
Distinguished Contribution Article Award Committee:
Tina Fetner (chair): fetnert@mcmaster.ca
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From the committee: “The committee found this article to be an outstanding analysis of the effectiveness of repression tactics used to quell movements for Black liberation struggles in the United States. The analysis advances our understanding of the impact of repression by examining numerous liberation struggles across a span of decades. With data from over 20,000 protest events, Bloom’s empirical analyses are uniquely positioned to test some of social movement theory’s central propositions, including the inverse-U theory of repressive effects and political process theory. In addition, Bloom develops new theoretical perspectives and advances a practice theory of repressive effects, which contextualizes repressive tactics in the social and political contexts in which they are enacted. In the end, this article makes significant, substantial contributions to social movements theory that will be of use to scholars studying a variety of movements and contexts.”

Section on Collective Behavior and Social Movements Charles Tilly Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Book Award
Section members, authors, or publishers may nominate books with publication dates of 2020. All authors must be members of the section. No lengthy nominating letters please, and please send all questions to the committee chair. Send or have publishers send a copy of the book to each member of the award committee by March 1, 2021. Please contact the committee chair for committee members’ preferred mailing addresses.

Charles Tilly Award for Best Book Committee:
Rachel Einwohner (chair): einwohnerr@purdue.edu
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From the committee: “Impressive in both breadth and depth, this study presents a comparative analysis of both the mobilization and impact of anti-development collective action in ten cities around the world: Santiago, Istanbul, Tel Aviv, Seoul, Hamburg, Toronto, Madrid, Los Angeles, Buenos Aires, and Melbourne. Pasotti asks a vital question about how people build power from below by developing unique forms of practice specially suited to their political environment. The book is theoretically rich, exploring both cultural and structural factors, and offering a new concept of “experiential...
tools” that broadens our conceptualization of protest tactics. When circumstances were conducive and activists employed these tools effectively, they generated the momentum and support necessary to mobilize resistance on a broad scale. Pasotti provides nuanced and historically sensitive analysis for each city, and across a range of themes, while using QCA to draw general lessons. This book is a “tour de force” in terms of methodology. While most of us struggle to do research by comparing within or between a few countries, Pasotti deploys archival work, interviews and observations from 29 (unsuccessful and successful) protest campaigns in 10 major cities across 5 different continents. This breadth notwithstanding, the analysis never becomes unwieldy. This is in large part due to the author’s skillful integration of qualitative comparative analysis and in-depth case studies. Her research generates meaningful insights about how policymakers and organizers can work together to limit displacement and gentrification: through subsidized housing, tenant protection regulation, zoning laws, rent stabilization, through case by case defense of residents’ right to stay in their neighborhoods and homes, and in prevention strategies that center community planning and residents’ well-being in construction plans.”

Section on Collective Behavior and Social Movements Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Dissertation Award
Any doctoral dissertation completed (i.e., successfully submitted, defended, and approved) in calendar year 2020 is eligible. Only nominations from the student’s dissertation chair or co-chair will be accepted. Nomination letters should not exceed two typed pages in length. The nomination letter should be accompanied by the dissertation in electronic form. Send a copy of the nomination letter and dissertation to each of the award committee members by March 1, 2021:

Outstanding Dissertation Award Committee (chair of committee to be decided by committee members)
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Co-winners:

From the committee: “Bradlow’s dissertation is intellectually stimulating and contributes to various different discussions in the literature by moving forward the study of social movements, development, and democracy. It is also politically important in its overall analysis of how social movements can impact institutional arrangements to reduce social inequalities. The committee was impressed with the data and the comparative case study design across three public goods. This is a timely project given current importance of finding ways to actually deepen democracy, not just transition from autocratic regimes to formal political democracy or defend existing liberal democracy from the Right in
rearguard battles. There are exciting contributions here on social movements, embeddedness, and state capacity and cohesion.”

Anna Zhelnina, “Engaging Neighbors: Housing Strategies and Political Mobilization in Moscow’s Renovation”

“Zhelnina’s dissertation, Engaging Neighbors, is a rich case study of urban renewal that examines how everyday relationships generate local movements with lasting consequences for the public arena. Utilizing observation, document analysis, interviews, and digital ethnography, Zhelnina examines how residents engaged around Moscow’s local program of Renovation in 2017 to 2019. The study is situated in buildings in four different districts of Moscow, and explores the role of residents' personal biographies, civic background, their position on Renovation, and their subsequent involvement around the initiative. Findings reveal that one of the central tasks of local social movements is helping people to articulate life strategies, aspirations and plans, in ways that integrate them into strategic action fields. This dissertation advances the field of social movements by examining how everyday relationships, when focused on deeply personal issues, may generate engagement with broader meanings of citizenship and political action that persist long after initial mobilization declines.”

2021 Finances
Provide a narrative on how the 2021 budget matched with actual expenses and income from 2021. Please account for any substantive differences.

The CBSM Section is in a strong position financially, with assets that far exceed expenses. Part of the reason for our financial health is that our membership numbers remain strong despite the pandemic and we are grateful for the resources that come directly to the section as a result of our membership numbers. As of September 13, 2021, the CBSM Section had 770 members. This is an increase of 57 over membership numbers from October 2020.

Another reason for our financial health is that the 2020-21 budget that was proposed and accepted by Council budgeted for a number of expenses that the CBSM section did not end up having. Notably, money that was earmarked for the 2021 reception ($3000), coffee cards for mentor/mentee meetings during the 2021 annual meetings ($250), and the 2021 pre-ASA Workshop ($3000) was not spent because the ASA meeting was virtual and the Workshop was postponed. Due in part to these unspent funds, the CBSM Council voted in 2021 to donate $1000 to the ASA Minority Fellowship Program. Even with this donation, as of August 31, 2021, the CBSM’s net assets were $10,463. We expect to use part of these unspent funds for receptions and the Workshop when those activities return in person (hopefully, in Los Angeles in 2022).