



Mid-South Sociological Association

Minutes of the Executive Council Annual Meeting

Wednesday, October 12, 2016

**Wednesday, October 12, 2016, 8:15amEST**

Present:

**President – DeMond Miller**

**President Elect/ Program Chair – Shirley Rainey Brown**

**Secretary –Treasurer- Shelly A. McGrath**

**Vice President Elect – Theresa Davidson**

**Committee on Women- Melissa Powell-Williams**

**Committee on Professions- Gregory Harris**

**Editor – *Sociological Spectrum*-Kevin Breault**

**Committee on Small and Committee Colleges- Nicola Davis Bivens**

**Committee on Membership- Lauren Norman**

**Past President – Anita Bledsoe-Gardner**

**Committee on Minorities – Ray V. Robertson**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by President D. Miller at 8:15 am.

Table approving the minutes from the Mid-Annual meeting

Motion to accept agenda

M/S/P

Motion to enter into executive session

M/S/Passed

At 8:54 moved into executive session

Discussion

Quorum – parliamentary representative certified that quorum has been made

Moved to exit executive section

M/S/Passed

Motion to uphold censure regarding the official modes of communication via official MSSA venues: MSSA listserv, public addresses at MSSA meetings, Official MSSA publications; censure will expire at close of the 2016 MSSA Meeting.

Motion upheld

M/S/Passed

Unanimous decision from Executive Council regarding the censure

Motion to vacate position of President Elect

M/S/passed;

Unanimous decision to vacate office of President Elect but retains program chair

Motion to accept MP report

M/S/passed

Program Chair commended for bringing in new people as well as raising money for the conference

Motion to suspend meeting; special session will be called to go through all reports.

M/S/P

Adjourn at 10:05am EST.

**Continuation meeting**

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Friday, October 14, 2016

Present:

**President – DeMond Miller**

**President Elect/ Program Chair – Shirley Rainey Brown**

**Secretary –Treasurer- Shelly A. McGrath**

**Committee on Women- Melissa Powell-Williams**

**Editor – *Sociological Spectrum*-Kevin Breault**

**Committee on Small and Committee Colleges- Nicola Davis Bivens**

**Committee on Membership- Lauren Norman**

**Past President – Anita Bledsoe-Gardner**

**Committee on Minorities – Ray V. Robertson**

Hotel Negotiator- Dennis Peck

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by President D. Miller at 8:10 am EST.

Quorum was established, 9 voting members present.

Motion from Executive Session

Vice President elect- takes over as President (T. Davidson)

Vacate the position

D. Miller- stepped down as chair of the meeting

Anita acts as Chair of meeting

Motion to make Theresa Davidson President Elect

M/S/Passed

All of those in favor: 5

All against:0

Abstentia: 3

Meeting adjourned 8:15 am EST.



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Saturday, October 15, 2016

**Saturday, October 15, 2016, Time Unknown**

Present:

**President – Theresa Davidson**

**Program Chair – Shirley Rainey Brown**

**President Elect- Ruth Chananie**

**Secretary –Treasurer- Shelly A. McGrath**

**Vice President Elect – Jessica Abbott**

**Committee on Women, Gender & Sexuality- Jessica Pardee**

**Editor – *Sociological Spectrum*-Kevin Breault**

**Committee on Small and Committee Colleges- Nicola Davis Bivens**

**Committee on Membership- Lauren Norman**

**Past President – DeMond Miller**

**Committee on Minorities – Ray V. Robertson**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by S. Brown, time not recorded; Secretary/Treasurer not present yet

Table approving the minutes from the prior meetings

T. Davidson- New President due to vacancy

Resigns the position of President; however, remains Vice President

Discussion of the Constitution and the role of the Executive Council in filling the vacancy of the Office of the President

Point of order can be raised

Can we appoint?

Motion to enter into executive session

Discussion

Motion to Exit Executive Session

Motion made by MSSA member

1) Motion to invalidate the decision to vacate the Office of President Elect.

M/S/

Discussion

2) Motion to have anyone who cannot work with the new President resign from the board.

3) Motion made that the New President serve more than 1 year.

Move forward on first motion

Motion made by Executive Council Member

Motion is to rescind the vote regarding the vacation of the chair of the Office of President Elect.

M/S/

Motion to do a paper ballot

M/S/P

Paper ballot outcome of prior motion

Yeah's- 5

Nay's- 5

Abstain- 1

Motion does not stand

Vote certified by J. Pardee for the board and E. Lawson for the members

Motion for Executive Council to fill the vacancy of the Office of the President/ vote for new President

Call for nominations for the vacant seat of President

S. Brown, nominated

K. Breault, nominated

Motion to enter closed session

7 yeah; 1 nay

M/S/carried

Motion to go do a paper ballot

M/S/passes unanimously

Discussion

Motion to exit close session

M/S/passed

Motion on the floor to fill vacant Office of President

Results of paper ballot

Count

S. Brown- 3

K. Breault- 8

True count; certified by M. Matre for members and R. Chananie for the board

Motion to adjourn

M/S/passed

Meeting Adjourned at 10:36 am EST.

**Note: Minutes from 2016 Midwinter meetings and 2016 Fall meetings (including 2016 Fall committee reports) approved via email 12/29/16.**