President: Larry Nichols called the Business Meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the NCSA Business Meeting. Everyone is invited to come to hear the Keynote Address, immediately following, with Daniel Myers of University of Notre Dame, he announced. A reception will follow immediately after the address.

Motion: Bob Shelly, second from Steve Carlton-Ford, to approve the minutes of the 2011 Business Meeting held in Cleveland. Motion carried, no nay votes or abstentions recorded.

Nichols introduced secretary Barbara Denison to announce the winners of this year’s election. Denison reported that

President-elect is Lissa Yogan, Valparaiso University
VP elect is Rachel Kraus, Ball State University
Council-at-large member is Stacey Nofziger, University of Akron
Membership Chair is Bob Carrothers, Ohio Northern University
Secretary for a second term is Barbara Denison

Resolutions: President Larry Nichols proposed the following –

“Whereas, the North Central Sociological Association has received considerable support, service, and commitment from many individuals and organizations in the preparation of its annual meeting held in Pittsburgh PA be it resolved that the NCSA extends its profound appreciation and gratitude to the following:
Marriott City Center Staff, especially Jamie Miller, sales manager

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Program Chair: Carrie Erlin, Saint Mary’s College
Conference Planner: Joyce Lucke, Paragon Meeting & Events
Research Sessions: Carrie Erlin, Saint Mary’s College
Teaching Sessions: Melinda Messineo, Ball State University
High School Faculty Workshop: Debra Swanson, Lynne Richey and Katherine Rowell
NCSSC: Gail McGuire, Indiana University-South Bend
Local Arrangements: Barbara Jones Denison, Shippensburg University
and Joyce Lucke the conference coordinator, who performed with “yeoman service.”

Resolution passed, no nay votes or abstentions recorded.
Treasurer: Anna Linders reported that the NCSA finances are in good order.

In Memorium:  
Natalie Haber-Barker spoke about the life and in memory of Barry Johnston  
Bob Shelly spoke about the life and in memory of Alex Thio  
Keith Roberts spoke about the life and in memory of Joe Tamney briefly, and then about J. Milton Yinger for whom the association’s distinguished career award is named. He noted Yinger was the only person ever to be NCSA president and ASA president.

A moment of silence was observed for all.

New Business: Nichols and VP Todd Callais announced the theme for next year’s conference in Indianapolis is “In Defense of Theory.”

Passing of the President’s Gavel: Larry Nichols passed the gavel to the new NCSA President Steve Carlton-Ford, who thanked and invited everyone to next year’s meeting in Indianapolis, April 4-7, 2013.

Motion: Bakker, seconded by Carrothers, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm.

Respectfully  
Barbara Jones Denison, NCSA Secretary