

SPARC Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2025

1:00pm-2:30pm ET

Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting

Attendees

<u>Steering Committee</u>	<u>SPARC Team & Guests</u>
Charlotte Roh*	Aishah Abdullah
Chris Bourg	Ashley Gordon
Emma Molls*	Caralee Adams
Heather Joseph, ex officio	Gabby Hernandez
John Borghi	Jennifer Beamer
Jonathan Cain*	Nick Shockey
Lisa Macklin*	Nicole Allen
Lorraine Haricombe	Raym Crow
Mira Waller*	Val Hollister
Stéphanie Gagnon	
Torsten Reimer*	
Vicki Coleman	
Vince Mussehl	
Willa Liburd Tavernier*	
Xiying Mi	
Yasmeen Shorish, Interim Chair*	
*Voting member	

Meeting called to order at 1:05 pm EST by Y. Shorish

Welcome

Updates

- Policy work
- Spin out plans
 - Vote: A motion was made by Y. Shorish: "The Steering Committee authorizes the SPARC Executive Director to facilitate the transfer of all SPARC assets, including all funds, intellectual property, and other assets, at her discretion, to SPARC, Inc. (a new nonprofit entity; tax-exempt status pending) and the Global Fairness Initiative."
 - All 8 voting members present voted in favor of the proposal. There were no dissents or abstentions.
- Staffing and recruitment update

Discussions

- 2026 membership dues
- Exploration of additional SPARC programming targeting the current budget environment

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm EST by Y. Shorish