NASSS Outstanding Book Award Committee
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The composition of this year's committee was: Robbie Matz (University of California, Irvine), Dafna Kaufman (UNC, Chapel Hill), Caitlin Clarke (University of Illinois), Steven Ortiz (Oregon State), and myself (Douglas College). We received eleven nominations this year. Overall the committee worked very well together and assessed the books with the following criteria, which we devised collectively:

- Use of primary sources
- Appropriate scholarly audience for the book (both accessible and sociological)
- Methodological rigour
- Writing style, flow and proficiency
- Theoretical contribution
- Contemporary relevance

Six of the eleven books were shortlisted as finalists:

- Contesting Race, by Kevin Hylton
- Doping in Elite Sport, by Cristophe Brissonneau & Jeff Montez de Oca
- Kicking Center, by Rachel Allison
- Mascot Nation, by Andrew Billings and Jason Edward Black
- Moving Boarders, by Matthew Atencio, Becky Beal, E. Missy Wright and ZaNean McClain
- Olympic Television, by Andrew Billings, James Angelini and Paul MacArthur

The winning book was: Moving Boarders: Skateboarding and the Changing Landscape of Urban Youth Sports (Matthew Atencio, Becky Beal, E. Missy Wright and ZaNean McClain.