



COUNCIL ON SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION

## **MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS'**

**June 14, 2017**

**2:00-3:00PM (EDT)**

**Present:** Barbara W. Shank, Chair, Darla Spence Coffey, President, Andrea Stewart, Treasurer, Jim Akin, Kia Bentley, Shirley Gatenio-Gabel, Rosio Gonzalez, Jenny Jones, Liz Lightfoot, Sandy Momper, Anthony Patrick Natale, Susan Mapp, Debra McPhee, Cheryl Parks, Bill Pederson, Angela Pharris, Anissa Rogers, Andy Safyer,

**Absent:** Alan Dettlaff, Tricia Bent-Goodley, Sandra Starks

**Staff:** Arminn Leopold, Julie Montross, Sharon Reed, Jo Ann Regan

### **Committee of the Whole**

#### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. EDT by Chair Barbara Shank. Dr. Shank welcomed everyone to the Board of Directors meeting. A quorum of members was present and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

#### **1. Approval of the Consent Agenda**

Chair Barbara Shank presented the Agenda to the Board of Directors for approval, whereupon motion duly made, seconded and accepted. (Unanimous)

#### **2. Chair's Update**

Dr. Barbara Shank provided an update on the Commissions and Councils appointment process. She noted that the review of applications and new member's appointments was complete and sending notification letters are underway.

#### **President's Update**

Dr. Darla Spence Coffey provided an overview of the President's report. She noted that the current administration in the White House has kept CSWE busy. We are creating communications about the president's budget proposal and reaching out to other organizations to strengthen the voice of social work. "Our members need to know that we are standing up and supporting social work and the profession."

Dr. Coffey provided an up update on the IPEC meeting that she and Dr. Shank attended. The discussion included topics on health and wellbeing, she noted that social workers being at the table has made a huge difference in the dialogue.

Dr. Coffey noted that she had presented at several schools of social work commencements and was pleased to accept the invitations.

Dr. Coffey provided an update on the socially responsible policy proposal. She noted as an initial step CSWE will make the language in the hotel contracts more explicit as it relates to social justice issues and CSWE's ability to hold its conference in that state or not. Dr. Coffey concluded her report.

3. **National Nominating Committee**

Dr. Halaevalu Ofahengaue Vakalahi requested board members provide ideas/feedback on how the NNC can create a larger poll of nominees for the Board of Directors positions. She acknowledged that there should be a policy developed to avoid conflict of interest among nominees. The NNC will create a policy and bring it to the board for review.

4. **Budget & Finance Report**

Treasurer Andrea Stewart and Mr. Arminn Leopold provided an overview of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter, FY2017 financials and proposed Budget, FY2018 to the Board of Directors for approval. Dr. Stewart and Mr. Leopold concluded her report, whereupon motion duly made, seconded and accepted as amended. (Unanimous)

5. **NASW, ASWB, CSWE & CSWA Standards for Technology in Social Work Practice**

Dr. Darla Spence Coffey presented a motion to the Board of Directors for approval of the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) being listed on the technology standards and she requested that the board accept the standards as presented, whereupon motion duly made, seconded and accepted. (Unanimous)

6. **Proposal from Special Commission to Advance macro practice in Social Work**

Dr. Coffey presented the proposal from the Special Commission and noted that she had received 16 letters of endorsements supporting it. The board concluded that what was being asked of CSWE in the proposal was unclear, given the mission and goals of the organization. The board requested that Dr. Coffey draft a response to the Commission, get feedback from the board electronically, and communicate support of the Special Commission's goal(s). The board did not accept the proposal as presented.

7. **Bylaws Committee Report**

Dr. Jim Akin provided an update on the Bylaws committee. The discussion included the President and CEO voting rights, Ex Officio members on the Executive Committee, and should every member be a voting member. He noted that the committee met in April and will have additional calls to update the policies and procedures to correspond with the bylaws. An updated draft of the Bylaws will be presented to the Board of Directors in November. Dr. Akin concluded his report.

8. **Strategic Planning Committee**

Dr. Anthony Natale provided an update on the strategic thinking plan. He noted that the process of creating the task force is underway and all invitations to join the group were accepted. Dr. Natale concluded his report.

9. **Executive Session**

Chair Barbara Shank thanked everyone for their participation and the Board of Directors convened in an Executive Session.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m. EDT.

Respectfully submitted,

Saundra Starks  
Vice-Chair/Secretary