

**BOARD MEETING**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Meeting No. 32**

**Date:** September 27, 2014

**Place:** College office

**Chair:** Elizabeth Jones

**Members present:**

Susan Barr  
Doris Darvasi  
Bruce Hallsor  
Andrea Harstone

Leonard Ibbs  
Joshua Myers  
Colleen Spier  
Jacqueline Stokes

**Regrets:**

Renée Avitan  
Deborah Jones  
Curtis Magnuson

**Staff in attendance:**

John Mayr, Registrar  
Christeen Young, Recorder

**1) Call to Order**

The Chair of the Board called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

**2) Approval of agenda**

The members of the Board considered the draft agenda as previously distributed for the meeting.

**Motion:** To accept the agenda as circulated.

The motion was adopted.

**3) Approval of minutes**

The members considered the draft minutes of the meeting held June 14, 2014.

**Motion:** To approve the draft minutes.

The motion was adopted.

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**4) Business Arising**

**a) Strategic Plan**

The members of the Board reviewed the strategic plan as previously circulated.

**Motion:** To approve the strategic plan as circulated.

The motion was adopted.

**b) Meeting Schedule**

The Board approved the following meeting schedule for 2015 – 2017.

2015 Meeting Dates

January 24, 2015  
March 14, 2015  
April 24, 2015 AGM  
June 20, 2015  
October 3, 2015  
November 21, 2015

2016 Meeting Dates

January 16, 2016  
March 19, 2016  
April 22, 2016 AGM  
June 18, 2016  
October 1, 2016  
November 19, 2016

2017 Meeting Date

January 21, 2017

The Chair of the Board requested that the Board consider changing the date of the next scheduled meeting from November 8, 2014 to November 29, 2014 due to a conflict. The members agreed to change the date by consensus. The next meeting of the Board has been rescheduled to November 29, 2014.

**5) Chair's Report**

**a) TDRR**

It was reported that the group has resumed meeting and a good discussion was held September 25, 2014. The BCASW conference will be hosting a meeting of aboriginal social workers. It was suggested that the College request permission to join this meeting with the hope to talk about 'Towards Developing a Respectful Relationship'.

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**b) Registrar's Performance Review**

The Chair thanked the members of the Board and Staff of the College for their input and advised that she had concluded the performance evaluation process for 2014.

**c) Meeting with the Deputy Minister**

The Chair of the Board and Registrar will meet with the Deputy Minister of Ministry of Children and Family Development on October 22, 2014 in Victoria. The purpose of the meeting is to provide a general update to the Ministry about the activities of the College and raise issues related to the Social Workers Regulation.

**d) Meeting with BCASW Executive**

A meeting between the Executive Committees of the College and BC Association of Social Workers has been arranged during the BCASW conference.

A further meeting for the entire Boards of both organizations has been scheduled to coincide with the BCCSW meeting of January 24, 2015.

**e) ASWB Fall Meeting**

The Chair of the Board, as delegate, and Registrar will be attending the ASWB Fall meeting scheduled to be held November 13 – 15, 2014 in Idaho.

**6) Registrar's Report**

**a) Public Awareness Campaign**

The Registrar provided an update on the public awareness campaign. Close captioning ads on Global TV are currently being broadcast, and printed materials and transit ads continue to be circulated.

**b) Examination Consultation**

The Registrar met with faculty, students, and members of the community at the University of Victoria on September 26, 2014. The Registrar will continue to make institutional visits to raise awareness about the upcoming changes to registration requirements.

**c) Election**

There are six nominees running for four vacant positions on the Board for the term beginning January 1, 2015. All eligible registrants received either an electronic or paper ballot. An Independent Elections Returning Officer will receive paper ballots and verify the results of the election.

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**d) ICBC Service Providers**

ICBC now recognizes RCSWS as meeting their requirements to become service providers. Registrants in the RCSW class have been notified of the change.

**e) BCASW Conference**

College staff will host an information booth at the BCASW conference to answer questions about registration and the Continuing Professional Development program.

**7) Committee Reports**

**a) Inquiry**

The Chair of the Inquiry Committee presented three files as required by section 28(1) of the *Social Workers Act*. When the Committee does not direct the Registrar to issue a citation it must report that to the Board.

Before the reports were discussed, three members of the Discipline Committee left the room.

**2013-07** The Board received the report of the Inquiry Committee into the matter related to file 2013-07.

**Moved** that after considering the report of the Inquiry Committee the Board act pursuant to section 30(1) of the *Social Workers Act* to issue a Complaint Resolution Agreement.

**2013-09** The Board received the report of the Inquiry Committee into the matter related to file 2013-09.

**Moved** that after considering the report of the Inquiry Committee the Board act pursuant to section 28(2)(a) of the *Social Workers Act* and confirm the Inquiry Committee's decision to take no further action.

**2013-10** The Board received the report of the Inquiry Committee into the matter related to file 2013-10.

**Moved** that after considering the report of the Inquiry Committee the Board act pursuant to section 28(2)(a) of the *Social Workers Act* and confirm the Inquiry Committee's decision to take no further action.

**b) Quality Assurance**

**i) CPD Program**

The Committee presented, as information for the Board, guidelines for determining special or extraordinary circumstances in relation to section 19(6)(b) of the Bylaws. To date, nine requests for special or extraordinary circumstances relating to the CPD program have been received and reviewed by the Committee.

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**c) Registration**

**i) Defining New Graduate Policy**

The Registration and Quality Assurance Committees presented, as information for the Board, joint guidelines defining new graduate status for the purpose of determining prorated registration fees for new graduates and requirements for the CPD program.

**d) Finance**

The Chair of the Committee presented the internal financial statements.

**Motion:** To accept the internal reports for filing.

The motion was adopted.

**8) Other Business**

**a) Exam Implementation**

The Board of the College received information from educational institutions regarding the motion implementing the licensure exam at the meeting held June 14, 2014.

**Motion:** to reconsider the motion made at the June 14, 2014 meeting.

The motion was adopted.

**Motion:** To rescind the motion passed at the June 14, 2014 meeting implementing the licensure exam.

The motion was adopted.

**Motion:** Be it resolved; pursuant to section 41(1)(d) of the Bylaws that the Board of the College requires, as the entry to practice exam for registration, the ASWB Bachelors exam.

The motion was adopted.

**Motion:** To explore options with ASWB to rename the Bachelors exam for use in British Columbia as the entry to practice exam.

The motion was adopted.

The Board of the College directed the Registrar to write another letter to the Deans and Directors of Schools of Social Work advising them about the College's revised decision.

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**b) Marriage and Family Therapists**

The Chair of the Board and Registrar will discuss at the meeting with the Deputy Minister the possibility of expanding the College's jurisdiction to include the regulation of Marriage and Family Therapists.

This issue will be added to the agenda for the next meeting of the Board.

**9) New Business**

**a) Limits and Conditions for Social Workers practising under the AGA**

**Motion:** To approve the Standards, Limits, and Conditions for the purpose of conducting a functional assessment for financial incapability under the Statutory Property Guardianship Regulation of the *Adult Guardianship Act*.

The motion was adopted.

**10) Adjournment**

**Motion:** To adjourn the meeting at 1:55pm.

The motion was adopted.

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