

BOARD MEETING

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Meeting No. 39

Date: November 21, 2015

Place: College office

Members present:

Renee Avitan	Bruce Hallsor	Curtis Magnuson
Susan Barr	Leonard Ibbs	Joshua Myers
Doris Darvasi	Deborah Jones	Colleen Spier
Emma Gauvin	Elizabeth Jones (Chair)	Jacqueline Stokes

Staff in attendance:

Chelsea Cooledge
Whitney Preminger, Recorder

1) Welcome and introduction

The members elected to a term starting January 2016 and ending December 2017 were in attendance.

2) Oath of Office administered to the members elect

Four members-elect, Susan Barr, Jim Campbell, Jenny Morgan, and Chelsea Minhas took the Oaths of Office. The Oath was administered by Leonard Ibbs, a commissioner with the authority to administer the Oath.

3) Call to Order

The Chair of the Board called the meeting to order at 9:03am.

4) Approval of Agenda

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

Motion: To accept the Agenda as distributed.

The Motion was adopted.

5) Approval of Minutes

The members of the Board considered the draft minutes of the meeting held September 26, 2015.

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Motion: To accept the draft Minutes of the Board meeting held September 26, 2015 as distributed.

The Motion was adopted.

6) **Certificate of Election**

The member of the Board received the report of the Election Supervisor and accepted the results of the election term starting January 2016 and ending December 2017 as the certificate of election.

7) **Public Awareness Campaign**

1. Update from Bridge Communications:

A representative from Bridge Communications attended the meeting to provide a report to the Board.

8) **Business Arising**

a. Process for the election of Chair and Vice Chair

The Board received and considered a briefing note setting out options for the election.

Motion: Expressions of interest for these two positions are to be sent by email to the Registrar by December 31, 2015. The registrar will conduct an election by electronic means as promptly as possible after January 1, 2016.

The Motion was adopted.

9) **The Board conducted an In Camera session at 10:00am**

10) **Report of the Chair**

a. ASWB AGM

The Chair reported on the ASWB AGM.

b. BCASW/BCCSW meeting and collaboration around reconciliation

The Chair of the Board met with the Vice-Chair of the BCASW Board and proposed a joint statement regarding reconciliation be published on each organization's websites.

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11) TDRR

a. Reference Group:

The Chair of the Board reported that the TDRR group has retained a contractor for the purpose of the initiative.

Committee Reports

12) **Registration Committee**

Last meeting was held October 27, 2015, and no reviews were conducted at this meeting. Next meeting will be held on December 1, 2015.

a. Registration Statistics

Number of applicants has increased by 158% from 2014.

b. Related degree policy

The Committee is exploring how other provinces consider applications made under equivalency provisions including “related degrees” and “substantial equivalency”.

c. Provisional class

The Committee will consider draft bylaw amendments to the provisional class at its next meeting.

13) **Registration Appeals Committee**

The Chair of the Committee reported that the Committee had received and considered one request for a review of a decision of the registration committee. In J.A. in a matter before the Registration Appeals Committee, after considering all of the information in the file and having given the appellant the opportunity to provide additional information, a panel of the committee decided to uphold the decision of the registration committee.

14) **Quality Assurance Committee**

Four new requests for full waiver of CPD requirements have been received since September 26, 2015 for a total of 8 requests this year. After considering the information the committee agree to waive requirements as follows: five full waivers, two partial, and one no waiver granted.

a. CPD year-end reporting:

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As of November 5, 2015 13.5% of active registrants were Not in Good Standing – CPD. Total is 563 registrants.

- b. **Standards of Practice Update:**
Work continues on the standards of practice.

15) Inquiry Committee

The Chair presented eight files to the Board 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.

- a. **2014 – 18** The Board received the report of the Inquiry Committee into the matter related to file 2014-18.

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. **2014 – 19** The Board received the report of the Inquiry Committee into the matter related to file 2014-19.

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.

- c. **2015 – 01 and 02** The Board received the report of the Inquiry Committee into the matter related to file 2015-01 and 02.

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.

- d. **2015 – 03** The Board received the report of the Inquiry Committee into the matter related to file 2015-03.

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.

- e. **2015 – 05** The Board received the report of the Inquiry Committee into the matter related to file 2015-05.

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.

- f. **2015 – 10** The Board received the report of the Inquiry Committee into the matter related to file 2015-10.

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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.

- g. **2015 – 11** The Board received the report of the Inquiry Committee into the matter related to file 2015-11.

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.

- h. **2015 – 13** The Board received the report of the Inquiry Committee into the matter related to file 2015-13.

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.

16) Finance Committee

a. Internal Financial Statement

The Chair of the Finance Committee presented the internal financial statement from September 2015 to the Board.

Motion: To accept the Internal Financial Statement for filing.

The motion was adopted.

b. Proposed Budget

The Chair of the Committee recommended acceptance of the proposed budget for 2016. The members agreed to table the budget discussion until the next meeting.

New Business

17) ASWB Examination appropriate use policy

ASWB has made the College aware of its examination usage policy. The policy would require applicants to take the examination that corresponded with their academic credential. Previously, the Board of the College agreed to use an entry to practice exam based on the bachelor level examination. After discussion, it was agreed that this item be tabled until the next meeting of the Board.

18) Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 2:16pm.

The motion was adopted.

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