Whereas, the Association of Social Work Boards is a membership organization that includes social work regulatory agencies in jurisdictions throughout the United States and Canada; and

Whereas, ASWB’s leadership is committed to responding to the needs of member jurisdictions; and

Whereas, every member jurisdiction is entitled to send a delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly; and

Whereas, member jurisdictions of ASWB are encouraged to participate in the governance of the association through the Delegate Assembly; and

Whereas, introducing resolutions at the Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly is the most effective way to do that; and

Whereas, such resolutions can generate discussion, encourage study, and call for action;

Therefore, be it resolved

That ASWB members should consider proposing resolutions to be taken up at the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly; and

That such resolutions must be submitted in advance by delegates in accordance with ASWB Bylaws and Policy 4.2; and

That ASWB member jurisdictions are a vital part of the governance of ASWB, and input from our delegates is critical as we work together to strengthen public protection through social work regulation.

In past years, the resolution process was vital to ASWB carrying out the priorities of its membership. Resolutions can address any aspect of the association’s work. “Delegates declare their priorities through resolutions,” said Dale Atkinson, ASWB legal counsel, at the 2014 Annual Meeting. “They are a tool for bringing new ideas to ASWB.”

If you have an idea or a priority that you would like to bring to the floor of the 2015 Annual Meeting, draft a resolution for consideration by the delegates. All resolutions must be submitted to the association office 120 days before the Annual Meeting (that would be before July 8, 2015).