

Name of Resolution: The Resolution to Jump Start All Resolutions

Proposed by: ASWB Bylaws and Resolutions Committee

WHEREAS, the Association of Social Work Boards is a membership organization whose Member Boards, as defined by the Bylaws, consist of government bodies empowered to credential and regulate the practice of social work, and

WHEREAS, ASWB, as a membership organization, encourages its Member Boards to actively participate in providing direction to the ASWB Board of Directors, consistent with the ASWB mission, vision, values, and recognized Section 501(c)(3) tax status, and

WHEREAS, the ASWB Bylaws authorize the Member Boards to submit resolutions as a means of providing direction on significant policies to the ASWB Board of Directors, and

WHEREAS, the ASWB Bylaws calls for an ASWB Bylaws and Resolutions Committee that receives and considers all duly submitted resolutions, and

WHEREAS, the ASWB Bylaws and Resolutions Committee will assist proposers of resolutions with drafting and editing to assure that proposed resolutions are consistent with the mission, vision, values, and tax status of the ASWB, and

WHEREAS, the ASWB Policies provide a procedural mechanism for Member Boards to timely submit resolutions for discussion, debate, and ultimate Delegate voting at the Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly, and

WHEREAS, duly adopted resolutions will assist the ASWB Board of Directors in its strategic and generative planning and will be effectuated by ASWB staff, and

WHEREAS, historically, the Member Boards have not actively participated in the resolution process.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 2021 ASWB Bylaws and Resolutions Committee encourages the ASWB Board of Directors to provide the ASWB Member Boards, in a manner it deems necessary, with information and templates on how to draft, submit, and work with the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee on the appropriate use of the resolution process, and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2021 ASWB Bylaws and Resolutions Committee encourages the ASWB Member Boards to familiarize themselves with the information and templates on how to draft, submit, and work with the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee and, thereafter, actively participate in the resolution process as a means of providing direction to the ASWB Board of Directors on significant policy issues.

The resolution process is vital to ASWB carrying out the priorities of its membership.

ASWB member boards have the authority to shape association policy by submitting resolutions. If you have an idea or a priority that you would like to bring to the floor of the next annual meeting, draft a resolution for consideration by the delegates. All resolutions must be submitted to the association office at least 120 days before the annual meeting—the Bylaws & Resolutions Committee notifies members of the deadline each year.

Questions? Need help?

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