

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 7, 2025 – 8:00 AM – 9:00AM

Members present: Renita Johnson, LICSW, National Assoc. of Black Social Workers-MN – CHAIR
Sarah Busch, National Association of Social Workers-MN
Julie Campanelli, Minnesota School Social Workers Assoc., used AI meeting notes/arrive 8:26 live
Karen Frees, LICSW, MN Coalition of Licensed Social Workers – joined at 8:14 am
Deseria Galloway, National Assoc. of Black Social Workers-MN
Stephanie Horak, LSW, MN Nursing Home Social Workers Assoc.-Twin Cities Chapter
Stephanie Meittunen, MSW, MN Society for Clinical Social Workers
Elizabeth Soung, LGSW, MN Hmong Social Workers Coalition-8:30am

Members absent: Angie Dannewitz-Johnson, National Association of Social Workers-MN SPAN Committee
Karen Goodenough, LGSW, National Association of Social Workers-MN
G Lee Xiong, LGSW, MN Hmong Social Workers Coalition

BOSW Staff present: Youa Yang, LICSW, Executive Director
Tammy Molitor, Communications & Executive Services Coordinator

BOSW Staff Absent: Michelle Kramer-Prevost, LISW, Assistant Director

BOSW Board Liaison absent: Joanne Kronstedt, Public Member

MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome, call to order, approve agenda:

Welcome Stephanie Meittunen with Clinical Social Work Society. The new Board liaison Joanne Kronstedt is unable to join the meeting today.

Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:02 am.

Agenda was approved unanimously.

2. Minutes:

- December 6, 2024
- June 7, 2024

Motion to approve minutes by Horak and seconded by Meittunen. Motion carried unanimously.

3. BOSW Board Debrief:

- Brief review of the Board meeting was provided to the group.
 - Board and Staff members are working on a new strategic plan.
 - The Board's proposed budget bill includes multistate license fees.
 - The second Interstate Compact meeting was held in Kentucky. The meeting established the Bylaws and the executive committee. There are 22 states participating in the compact commission. Additional states have proposed legislation to adopt the compact.
 - The Board voted to move forward with exploration of county exemption. A taskforce was established to explore stakeholder engagement for the County Exemption.

4. Committee Member Organization Updates

- 1) **Johnson/Galloway: National Association of Black Social Workers-MN Chapter** – The Association is in the planning stages for their annual conference typically held in October. They are working out logistics with the national association. They had a mixer in December and a retreat in October with in-person attendance. The Association is working to explore activities to enhance membership.
- 2) **Horak: MN Nursing Home Social Workers Association (MNHSWA)** – Currently, the membership is over 200 with a push for membership renewal early in the year. They have seen a steady increase in their membership. There are some gaps with social workers in nursing homes, so interested in learning more title protection. It is no longer required to have a social worker on-site at smaller nursing homes, but those with 120 beds or more do require a social worker. The fall conference will be virtual. Chapters meet in person and virtually across the state.
- 3) **Soung: Minnesota Hmong Social Workers Coalition** – Planning for annual spring conference in May. The conference is open for group members and Hmong social work students.
- 4) **Meittunen: Minnesota Society for Clinical Social Work** – Membership is up to 456 members. The raise in membership may be related to the educational opportunities offered. Check their website for future education events <https://clinicalsocialworkmn.org/> .
- 5) **Busch: National Association of Social Workers-MN** – Social Work Advocacy Day at the capital is March 5th and includes a rally, committee meetings, information sessions before the rally with different topics. The Association is doing some work to clean-up the bill for provisional license and working on stakeholder engagement for title protection bill. Register for Day at the Capitol and informational sessions: <https://naswmn.socialworkers.org/Advocacy/Advocacy-Events>
Recording of NASW-MN's legislative launch for legislature context: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KKE2FO5V6RE>
- 6) **Campanelli: MN School Social Workers Association** – The group has its highest membership of over 700 members. With the new membership growth, they are offering some continuing education to their members. The Association is working on legislation for school social workers to be able to bill for 3rd party reimbursement. Day on the Hill is March 6th.
- 7) **Frees: MN Association of Home Care Social Workers** – No update
- 8) **Frees/Johnson/Galloway: MN Coalition of Licensed Social Workers** – Encouraged members to connect with their legislators. Coalition discussed provisional license, temporary license about who is eligible and not eligible, and issues with 3rd party billing. CEs will be provided for attending the Day at the Capitol.

5. New Business

NONE

6. Adjourn

- Adjourn the meeting at 8:42am.
Motion to adjourn, all in favor.

Next Meeting: Friday, April 4th at 8:00am

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
APRIL 4, 2025 – 8:00 AM – 9:00AM

Members present: Renita Johnson, LICSW, National Assoc. of Black Social Workers-MN – CHAIR
Karen Frees, LICSW, MN Coalition of Licensed Social Workers – joined at 8:14 am
Deseria Galloway, National Assoc. of Black Social Workers-MN
Stephanie Horak, LSW, MN Nursing Home Social Workers Assoc.-Twin Cities Chapter
Karen Goodenough, LGSW, National Association of Social Workers-MN
Stephanie Meittunen, MSW, MN Society for Clinical Social Workers
Elizabeth Soung, LGSW, MN Hmong Social Workers Coalition

Members absent: Angie Dannewitz-Johnson, National Association of Social Workers-MN SPAN Committee
Sarah Busch, National Association of Social Workers-MN
Julie Campanelli, Minnesota School Social Workers Assoc.
G Lee Xiong, LGSW, MN Hmong Social Workers Coalition

BOSW Staff present: Youa Yang, LICSW, Executive Director
Rebecca Moskow,
Tammy Molitor, Communications & Executive Services Coordinator

BOSW Staff Absent: Michelle Kramer-Prevost, LISW, Assistant Director

BOSW Board Liaison absent: Joanne Kronstedt, Public Member

MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome, call to order, approve agenda:

Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:05am.
Agenda was approved unanimously.

2. Minutes:

Motion to approve February 7, 2025 minutes by Meittunen and seconded by Galloway. Motion carried unanimously.

3. BOSW Board Debrief:

- Executive Director, Yang, shared the results of the BOSW 2024 Customer Satisfaction Survey. Overview of the responses related to access to website, customer service, email reminders for license renewal, and the jurisprudence exam. Responded to committee member questions regarding the survey.

4. Committee Member Organization Updates

- Johnson/Galloway: National Association of Black Social Workers-MN Chapter** – Planning for their Annual Conference scheduled for October 3rd, 2025. Continuing to build membership process and register through local chapter. Association meets on Thursdays with improved attendance with community forum work. Due to conference lottery, association sent two members to the national social workers conference to represent Minnesota. The group will be able to assist two members with their getting their social work license.
- Horak: MN Nursing Home Social Workers Association (MNHSWA)** – Twin Cities Conference is next week. In the planning phase for the virtual fall conference which generally has higher attendance. There are fewer social workers employed in nursing homes due to the size of the nursing homes.

- 3) **Soung: Minnesota Hmong Social Workers Coalition** – Planning for their annual conference in May. The coalition is in process of some organizational changes.
- 4) **Goodenough: National Association of Social Workers-MN** – Goodenough is a non-voting member on Executive Committee with the Compact Commission. Compact Commission is working on establishing the database. Committee has monthly meeting. The Association is planning a “non-conference” conference. The organization is offering a supervision training series for the 30-hour supervisor requirement. It is highly attended. Also, working on offering paid internships.
- 5) **McCoy: MN School Social Workers Association** – Legislative chair, March 6th was MSSWA day at the Capitol. Association is working diligently to get Medicaid reimbursement for school social workers providing services for students. State Departments of Education received a letter from the Federal Government to eliminate DEI programs.
- 6) **Frees: MN Association of Home Care Social Workers** – No longer an official association but have an informal network. Concerns with the federal funding cuts.
- 7) **Frees/Johnson/Galloway: MN Coalition of Licensed Social Workers** – Supporting the good work that the professional associations are doing to increase reimbursement rate, school social work reimbursement, and provisional license.
- 8) **Meittunen: Minnesota Society for Clinical Social Work** – Low fee supervision group is up and running. Education opportunities are going well for continuing education.

5. New Business

- Frees-Shared about proposed bill SF 3227. It was introduced 2 days ago and would create an exemption for individuals with social work degrees working in MN Statute 256B programs/services or MN Statute 245A residential programs. The intention of the bill is targeted towards practitioner.
- Meittunen-Conversation about having a codified language added related to minor client record retention. A ten-year retention of records requirement after termination and for those who are minors in the language of MS 148.235 there is not a specific requirement.
- Frees/Goodenough-Asked for clarification from the Board about their position on supervision. Provisional licensees are not allowed to supervise according to statute. There was not a thoughtful conversation for provisional licensees to provide supervision. Example, an LSW is providing supervision and pursues a provisional LGSW, can the licensee still provide supervision? Seeking clarification on provisional licensees’ eligibility to provide supervision. The group wants clarification and what is the Board’s interpretation of the statute.

6. Adjourn

- Adjourn the meeting at 9:21am.
Motion to adjourn, all in favor.

Next Meeting: Friday, June 6th at 8:00am

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
JUNE 6, 2025 – 8:00 AM – 9:00AM

Members present: Renita Johnson, LICSW, National Assoc. of Black Social Workers-MN – CHAIR
Julie Campanelli, Minnesota School Social Workers Assoc. – AI Notes
Karen Frees, LICSW, MN Coalition of Licensed Social Workers
Deseria Galloway, National Assoc. of Black Social Workers-MN
Stephanie Horak, LSW, MN Nursing Home Social Workers Assoc.-Twin Cities Chapter
Karen Goodenough, LGSW, National Association of Social Workers-MN
Elizabeth Soung, LGSW, MN Hmong Social Workers Coalition

Members absent: Stephanie Meittunen, MSW, MN Society for Clinical Social Workers
G Lee Xiong, LGSW, MN Hmong Social Workers Coalition

BOSW Staff present: Youa Yang, LICSW, Executive Director
Kassandra Slizewski, Assistant Director
Tammy Molitor, Communications & Executive Services Coordinator

BOSW Board Liaison absent: Joanne Kronstedt, Public Member

MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome, call to order, approve agenda:

Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:06 am.

Agenda was approved with the correction to item #2 should be April 4th minutes, switch items 3 & 4 and passed unanimously.

2. Minutes:

Motion to approve April 4, 2025 minutes by Horak and seconded by Galloway. Motion carried unanimously.

3. BOSW Board Debrief:

- Yang, shared Michelle Kramer-Prevost retired and introduced Kassandra Slizewski as the new Assistant Director. The Board hired a compliance coordinator and in the process of hiring for a licensing coordinator as Slizewski transition responsibilities.
- Anticipate board appointments for four vacancies that expired in January.
- Yang is participating with Compact Rules committee.
- Legislation and Rules committee is reviewing the supervision sections of MN Statute 148E. All are welcome to join the meeting on the fourth Thursday monthly.

4. New Business

- Goodenough asked clarification about the supervision sections MN Statute 148E. What will be the timeline for bringing changes to the legislation. Yang said it would depend on L&R Committee ability to review each section thoroughly and proposed recommendations to the full board. Goodenough encouraged others to join the L&R meetings so the voices can be heard.
- Goodenough also brought up her concerns about the process in L & R Committee and how Advisory Committee members were treated. Frees agreed with her concerns and felt they were not respected during the meeting.
 - Compact Fees – Goodenough asked for clarity regarding the proposed compact fees in the budget. The language for the compact fee is similar to the licensure fees with ‘not to exceed’ language. There are

concerns about scope of practice states are allowing with the advanced generalist exam. There is a survey for jurisdictions to respond.

- Goodenough asked about licensing webinars. Currently, the Board is short staff and have limited capacity to increase public education beyond what it currently is doing.

5. Committee Member Organization Updates

- 1) **Johnson/Galloway: National Association of Black Social Workers-MN Chapter** – The annual Black Social Workers Association conference is Friday, October 3rd 9am-3pm. There will be several activities on Juneteenth at Bossen Park in Minneapolis with a focus on generational trauma. They are a part of the national association and is working on connecting social workers with other association. Lastly, association is working on getting scholarship grants together.
- 2) **Horak: MN Nursing Home Social Workers Association (MNHSWA)** – Confirmed fall virtual conference on September 18 and 23. The virtual format has more flexibility for attendees and there are many CEUs available. \$40 for membership registration and those signing up will get free conference.
- 3) **Soung: Minnesota Hmong Social Workers Coalition** – The coalition had their annual spring conference in May. They are looking at restructuring the mission and vision statement at their 10-year anniversary of being a coalition.
- 4) **Goodenough: National Association of Social Workers-MN** – Social Work day at the capitol is Wednesday, March 4, 2026. October 24-26 is a camp for a weekend away. The winter conference is in February. Monthly supervision conference circles will start in the fall. They are in third year of the four year BIPOC grant. They are looking for more funds to sustain this program. The association has a workgroup focus on paid internships to encourage agencies with interns to pay the intern.
- 5) **Campanelli: MN School Social Workers Association** – Board leadership retreat at the end of June with Goodenough as the keynote speaker. September 22-23 is the fall conference at the Mystic Event Center. August 11-12 is the workshop on third party billing for school social workers. The Association is working on new policy manual, mission statement, and updating their website. She will be attending the national conference in Utah this summer. The Association is moving forward with equity work. There are 1909 school social workers.
- 6) **Frees: MN Association of Home Care Social Workers** – Request to have new business before committee member updates.

6. Adjourn

- Adjourn the meeting at 9:06 am.
Motion to adjourn, all in favor.

Next Meeting: Friday, August 1 at 8:00am

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AUGUST 1, 2025 – 8:00 AM – 9:00AM

Members present: Renita Johnson, LICSW, National Assoc. of Black Social Workers-MN – CHAIR
Karen Frees, LICSW, MN Coalition of Licensed Social Workers
Stephanie Horak, LSW, MN Nursing Home Social Workers Assoc.-Twin Cities Chapter
Karen Goodenough, LGSW, National Association of Social Workers-MN
Stephanie Meittunen, MSW, MN Society for Clinical Social Workers

Members absent: Julie Campanelli, Minnesota School Social Workers Assoc.
Deseria Galloway, National Assoc. of Black Social Workers-MN
Elizabeth Soung, LGSW, MN Hmong Social Workers Coalition
G Lee Xiong, LGSW, MN Hmong Social Workers Coalition

BOSW Staff present: Youa Yang, LICSW, Executive Director
Tammy Molitor, Communications & Executive Services Coordinator

BOSW Staff absent: Kassandra Slizewski, Assistant Director

BOSW Board Liaison: NONE

MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome, call to order, approve agenda:

Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:07 am.
Agenda was unanimously approved.

2. Minutes:

Motion to approve June 6th, 2025, minutes by Horak and seconded by Frees. Motion carried unanimously.

3. New Business

- Goodenough: Discussion of Naloxone (Narcan) methods and the treatment of others. MN Statute 604A.04 which addresses the “Good Samaritan Overdose Prevention” act for who can administer these drugs. There are some concerns with social workers who work with a population that may need this drug and not working in a facility with a standing order to distribute. NASW was hoping to host a training for distribution of Naloxone. Concerns about licensed social workers ability to distribute this opiate antagonist.
- Frees: Updated the group about the Legislative and Rules Committee. Committee is reviewing the supervision part of MN Statute 148E, updating the language and ensuring statute language doesn’t contradict each section. Proposed changes will clarify what is needed at each step and ensure scope of practice can be verified. The focus was on documentation and submission of supervision plans and verifications. Leaning toward some recommended form/template to be completed to track hours. Committee member shared that another behavioral health board requires monthly sign off on hours. In addition, committee discussed expectation of supervisors when supervisee or supervisor changes positions and consideration of time limit related to submission of the documentation during the change rather than submission at completion of all supervision hours. Concerns raised related to average number of supervision hours rather than giving exact hours for supervision.

4. BOSW Board Debrief:

- 3 new board members appointed, still waiting on 1 additional public member.
- In process of closing out the Board's fiscal year
- Election of new officers at September meeting and committee new assignments at the November board meeting.
- The board voted to temporarily suspend the County Exemption Taskforce.
- Licensing Training update: The Board has been short staff and does not have the capacity to facilitate a training. There is no timeline for setting up a training.

5. Committee Member Organization Updates

- 1) **Johnson: National Association of Black Social Workers-MN Chapter** – The group has not met since the beginning of June. October 3rd is their annual conference. The Association hosted a retreat and membership mingle. The Association participated in Juneteenth activities.
- 2) **Horak: MN Nursing Home Social Workers Association (MNHSWA)** – State board meeting last week. Virtual fall Conference this fall is a great opportunity for CEs with many relevant sessions. Annual service award will be distributed at the conference, and they are receiving applications for it now.
- 3) **Soung: Minnesota Hmong Social Workers Coalition** – Not in attendance.
- 4) **Goodenough: National Association of Social Workers-MN** – A group of students from Bemidji shared about how helpful the Board of Social Work staff are related to licensing questions. NASW hired a new communications and membership coordinator. New event on November 6th "Unconference" sponsorship opportunities with exhibitor table and some nontraditional CE opportunities. March 4th, 2026 is Social Work Day at the Capital. Mark your calendars. There is a camp in October and there are still space available. Ethics consultation will start in September.
- 5) **Campanelli: MN School Social Workers Association** – Not in attendance.
- 6) **Frees: MN Coalition of Licensed Social Workers** – She covered the important legislative changes for social workers covered in the [2025 Minnesota Legislative Recap Session](#).
- 7) **Meittunen: MN Society for Clinical Social Workers** – Annual meeting October 28, with free membership for students.

6. Adjourn

Motion by Goodenough to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 am. Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting: Friday, October 3rd at 8:00am

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 3, 2025 – 8:00 AM – 9:00AM

Members present: Karen Frees, LICSW, MN Coalition of Licensed Social Workers
Stephanie Horak, LSW, MN Nursing Home Social Workers Assoc.-Twin Cities Chapter
Karen Goodenough, LGSW, National Association of Social Workers-MN
Stephanie Meittunen, MSW, MN Society for Clinical Social Workers
Elizabeth Soung, LGSW, MN Hmong Social Workers Coalition
Julie Campanelli, Minnesota School Social Workers Assoc. arrived at 8:50am

Members absent: Renita Johnson, LICSW, National Assoc. of Black Social Workers-MN – CHAIR
Deseria Galloway, National Assoc. of Black Social Workers-MN
G Lee Xiong, LGSW, MN Hmong Social Workers Coalition

BOSW Staff present: Youa Yang, LICSW, Executive Director
Kassandra Slizewski, Assistant Director
Tammy Molitor, Communications & Executive Services Coordinator

BOSW Staff absent: NONE

BOSW Board Liaison: NONE

MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome and call to order:

Goodenough in Johnson’s absence called the meeting to order at 8:05 am and moved to item #5 until quorum is met.

5. Committee Member Organization Updates

- 1) **Johnson/Galloway: National Association of Black Social Workers-MN Chapter** – Not in attendance due to their annual conference.
- 2) **Horak: MN Nursing Home Social Workers Association (MNHSWA)** – The association’s membership increased. The association offered free conference for members. Their virtual conference was successful with many speakers on topics relevant to social workers.
- 3) **Soung: Minnesota Hmong Social Workers Coalition** – Organizational changes to add membership fees. Coalition is meeting in a couple weeks and will have new people on the leadership team. Soung had a professional role change and started working at Wilder Foundation school-based program.
- 4) **Goodenough: National Association of Social Workers-MN** – Association will host an Unconference in November. It’s a camp with over 50 attendees focused on self-care retreat for social workers. Social work day at the capital is on March 4th, 2026. The legislative launch is on February 4th at 4pm with all the coalition groups together. There will be a joint legislative recap in June. Goodenough has been spending time sharing about the interstate compact, how to get the legislative bill to pass and implementation.
- 5) **Frees: MN Coalition of Licensed Social Workers** – Legislative launch by the profession and identifying issues to focus on in the next legislative session. Need to decide on priority issues and will update more later.
- 6) **Meittunen: MN Society for Clinical Social Workers** – Annual members meeting at the American Swedish Institute is coming up on October 28, 2025 from 7:00-9:00pm.

1. Approve agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda by Frees and seconded by Horak. The agenda was unanimously approved with the adjustment to the order of the items.

2. Minutes:

Motion to approve August 1, 2025 minutes by Horak with changes to Meittunen's membership organization to the MN Society for Clinical Social Workers and seconded by Meittunen. Motion carried unanimously.

3. New Business

- Goodenough: Last year there was an attempt to add legislation for an additional exemption to licensure for mental health working as a BSW. Recently, NASW has been getting calls from legislators who want to get this passed and we need our social work group to push back. They are trying to eliminate the need for a BSW licensure. What can we do collectively? Discussion on reasons for the workforce shortage and the root of the cause. The Board does not support exemptions to licensure for public protection. The Board is also not interested in eliminating the bachelor's level of licensure, but not all jurisdictions license at the bachelor's level and there are groups that are looking to eliminate that level of licensure.

4. BOSW Board Debrief:

- Yang: The Customer Satisfaction survey was launched October 1, 2025. There were a few questions added this year about provisional license. Customer Satisfaction report will be posted once the information is collected and analyzed most likely at the January board meeting. Several members commended the Board Staff for their excellent customer service and processing of applications and license renewals. Minnesota is super-efficient in comparison to other jurisdictions.
- The Board elected new officers for the next 2 years, Jolene Engelking, Chair, Yolonda Rogers, Vice Chair, and Kim DeZurik, Secretary
- Teri Fritsma, PhD. from the Office of Rural Health and Primary Care of the Minnesota Department of Health, presented the annual Social Work Workforce data to the Board in September. There were a few questions added to the workforce survey related to supervision. Feedback provided to define supervision. There have been some increases in other demographic groups. The report from Fritsma will be shared with the advisory committee members.
- L&R Committee is working on proposing changes to the supervision section of the practice act. At this past meeting they covered non-clinical supervision, and at the next meeting they will be looking at clinical supervision.

5. Continuation of Committee Member Organization Updates (place first)

- 7) **Campanelli: MN School Social Workers Association** – The fall conference just finished, and it is one of the best they have had. Lori Desautels and Dr. Clay Cook were two of the keynote speakers this year. Their membership is at an all time high with over 800 members. The Association have been looking at core values and incorporating them into their long-term goals. School safety concerns were addressed in a break-out session at the conference. Discussion about school shootings and how to handle the issue. They have been advocating to keep funds that were allocated during covid.

6. Adjourn

Motion by adjourn by Campanelli and second by Stephanie. The meeting adjourned at 9:07am.

Next Meeting: Friday, December 5th at 8:00am

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 5, 2025 – 8:00 AM – 9:00AM

Members present: Renita Johnson, LICSW, National Assoc. of Black Social Workers-MN – CHAIR, joined at 8:18am
Deseria Galloway, National Assoc. of Black Social Workers-MN
Karen Frees, LICSW, MN Coalition of Licensed Social Workers
Stephanie Horak, LSW, MN Nursing Home Social Workers Assoc.-Twin Cities Chapter
G Lee Xiong, LGSW, MN Hmong Social Workers Coalition
Julie Campanelli, Minnesota School Social Workers Assoc. joined at 8:50am
Jennifer Arneson, National Association of Social Workers-MN

Members absent: Karen Goodenough, LGSW, National Association of Social Workers-MN
Stephanie Meittunen, MSW, MN Society for Clinical Social Workers
Elizabeth Soung, LGSW, MN Hmong Social Workers Coalition

BOSW Staff present: Youa Yang, LICSW, Executive Director
Kassandra Slizewski, Assistant Director
Beth Korth, Incoming Communications & Executive Services Coordinator
Tammy Molitor, Communications & Executive Services Coordinator

BOSW Staff absent: NONE

BOSW Board Liaison: NONE

MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome and call to order:

In Johnson’s absence, Yang, Executive Director, after offering members a chance to chair the meeting until Johnson arrived. Called the meeting to order at 8:09 am.

Before the meeting was called to order, Yang introduced Korth as the incoming Communications and Executive Coordinator and thanked Molitor for her service.

2. Approve agenda and (3.) Minutes

Motion to approve the agenda and minutes from October 2025 by Horak and seconded by Galloway. The agenda and minutes were unanimously approved.

4. Nomination or appointment for new Advisory Committee chair

Yang explained the role of chair for Advisory Committee is 2 years. Johnson’s term as Chair ends at the end of December 2025. Shared an overview of chair responsibilities. People who have chaired in the past shared their experience. Johnson confirmed the ease and low time commitment for chairing the committee. In the absence of the chair, members may volunteer to chair the meeting.

Committee members decided they would like to review the Advisory Committee Bylaws first. Bylaws will be emailed to all committee members. If there is a nomination before the meeting in February, reach out to the board and Yang will have a conversation with interested individuals.

5. New Business

- **Clarifying Supervision:** Concerns expressed regarding licensees who meet the supervisor's requirements to provide licensing supervision and cannot provide licensing supervision when licensee seek a higher level of licensure via the provisional pathway. According to statute, the provisional licensees cannot provide licensing supervision even if licensee met the supervisor requirements. Provisional licensees are not eligible licensing supervisor while under supervision. Once the licensee has their standard license and has met all the supervisor requirements, then licensee is eligible to supervise again. Supervisor requirements can be found [MS 148E.120](#).

The Board's Legislation & Rules Committee is reviewing supervision statutes and proposing changes. The proposed changes are not ready for a legislative bill in the upcoming session. When the proposed changes are completed by committee, it needs to be reviewed and approved by the full board. Committee members voiced their concerns with the timeline of helping those pursuing licensure via the provisional pathway to be able to provide supervision, if licensee was previously eligible to provide supervision. NASW and the Coalition expressed a sense of urgency to correct the supervision statute quickly.

- **Coalition's proposed legislative priorities for upcoming legislative session:**
 - School social work funding - concerns with funds being redirected to areas like School Resource officers other than social workers.
 - Support increases with mental health rates and waiting for federal approval of rates.
 - Optum billing issues.
 - Title protection for social workers – this will be presented at the upcoming legislation session from NASW with new language.
- **Board's legislative timeline:** The board does not have a bill to bring forward at this session. They may be ready in 2027 with the supervision revisions.

6. BOSW Board Debrief:

- Slizewski presented a look at the past year of provisional licenses at the Board meeting. The board is beginning to receive standard license applications from provisional licensees. The Board will provide updates on the statistics.
- There are three licensed vacancies in 2026 and one public vacancy for board members. Info about applying can be found on the Secretary of State's website to apply. The Board sent a GovDelivery with this information.
- Kate Goodman will be the new Board liaison for Advisory Committee starting in 2026.
- Compact commission met in November. The rule of rotating the ex officio position was passed, the data set rule did not pass which details what information would be entered into the interstate compact database. The commission is moving forward with a database agency.

5. Committee Member Organization Updates:

- **Johnson/Galloway: National Association of Black Social Workers-MN Chapter** – End of year is coming with a Kwanza event for members and partners. Fall conference was a huge success.
- **Horak: MN Nursing Home Social Workers Association (MNHSWA)** – NONE
- **Xiong: Minnesota Hmong Social Workers Coalition** – NONE
- **Arneson: National Association of Social Workers-MN** – NONE
- **Campanelli: MN School Social Workers Association** – NONE
- **Frees: MN Coalition of Licensed Social Workers** – NONE
- **Meittunen: MN Society for Clinical Social Work** – ABSENT

7. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:11am.

Next Meeting: Friday, February 6th at 8:00am