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# association update

news for ASWB  
members & volunteers

MARCH 20, 2025



March and April, as usual, are shaping up to be busy months, with several opportunities for ASWB to share information about social work licensing with early-career social workers and social work students.

Last week, ASWB presented a lunch and learn session at the Baccalaureate Program Directors conference in Las Vegas. Director of Education Programs Dionne Brown-Bushrod, Director-at-Large Adrienne Ekas, Nevada Board of Social Work President and Social Work Pioneer Esther Langston, and I led a session aimed at helping



students understand and prepare for licensure. Together, we were able to provide accurate information about licensing and the exams to more than 100 attendees.

Next week, Dionne and Regulatory Support Services Coordinator Ashley Lane, MSW, LMSW, will present to students at Social Work Day on the Hill in Washington, D.C., an event organized by the Congressional Research Institute for Social Work and Policy.

In mid-April, Dionne and Licensed Exam Services Coordinator Jacqueline Braxton, MSW, LCSW, will travel to Richmond, Virginia, to present a session at the National Association of Black Social Workers conference.

These presentations are great opportunities for our staff and volunteers to connect with social workers and provide accurate information about the value of social work licensing. By reaching social workers early in their careers, we are working to ensure the next generation of social workers enters the profession informed and well prepared to get licensed and live licensed!

In gratitude,

Stacey

Stacey D. Hardy-Chandler, Ph.D., J.D., LCSW, PGDip  
Chief Executive Officer

## Education Meeting 2025



### 2025 Education Meeting, May 1–3, 2025

Portland, Oregon



### The role of regulation: Shaping social work's future-ready workforce

At the heart of this year's meeting are two essential questions:

- What defines a social worker in today's world?
- What role does regulation play in protecting a future-ready workforce?

We've structured the Education Meeting around those questions to ensure attendees leave empowered with new strategies to drive innovation, equity, and competence.

**Register now before  
the April 1 deadline!**

Join social work regulators, administrators, educators, and thought leaders to engage in two days of exploration into how regulatory concepts shape the future of social work.

## 2025 elections

### Nominating Committee now accepting recommendations



**Learn more and make  
a recommendation**

The Nominating Committee is accepting recommendations through July 1, 2025. Delegates will elect four Board of Directors members and two Nominating Committee members in 2025.

#### **Board of Directors**

Two-year terms

- Treasurer
- Director at large, licensed social worker
- Director at large, public member
- Director at large, open

#### **2026 Nominating Committee**

Two seats (two-year term)

## Award nominations

### Nominate an outstanding colleague

Each year, the Association of Social Work Boards publicly acknowledges the accomplishments and service of members of social work regulatory boards and staff of regulatory boards.

The ASWB Board of Directors recognizes the work of social work regulators with the Sunny Andrews Award and the Glenda McDonald Board Administrator Award. The association accepts nominations for the awards each year, and the Board of Directors makes selections in the late summer. Awards are presented at the association's Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly, held each fall.



**Submit a nomination by July 22!**

## 2025 ASWB events

# Registration now open for 2025 events!

## **Welcome to ASWB! April 24, 2025**

*Online*

Join us for an introduction to ASWB and how your association can support your work on your jurisdictional board for newly appointed board members. The session is a chance to learn about all that ASWB has to offer and what it means to be an ASWB member. Topics include opportunities for learning, professional development, and resources to support you and your board. Any member may attend, so if you are a not-so-new board member and want to join us, please register!

## **Get Involved: Becoming a Leader with ASWB, May 15, 2025**

*Online*

Designed to deepen knowledge of ASWB governance structure, this session will help members learn more about elected positions and the role of committees at ASWB. We'll explore the duties, time commitment, and election process for positions on the Nominating Committee and Board of Directors.

## **Administrators Connect, August 26, 2025**

*Online*

Are you accessing all that your association has to offer as a member board administrator? Are there additional services you would like to see. This interactive session gives administrators the opportunity to hear how fellow administrators use ASWB services and support as ASWB carries out its mission to lessen the administrative burden of member boards.

## **New Board Member Training, August 28–29, 2025**

*Online*

## **New Board Member Training, September 25–27, 2025**

Washington, DC

**ICYMI: Celebrating Social Work Month**

In observance of Social Work Month 2025, ASWB developed a series of social media cover images for use on Facebook and LinkedIn. Social workers are invited to use these cover images on their social media pages to celebrate Social Work Month.

**Download and share!**



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