

SW Executive Committee – Agenda

Date: March 19th, 2025 at 10:30am ET

Location: [Zoom](#)

Position	Name	State/ Affiliate	Present
Chair	Hank Cecil	Kentucky	X
Vice Chair/Chair-Elect	Kelli Willis	South Dakota	X
Treasurer	Kevin Fowler	Ohio	X
Secretary	Jana Johansen	Utah	X
Member-at-Large	Dr. Deborah Sills	Georgia	X
Member-at-Large	Dr. Hyacinth Mckee	Louisiana	X
Member-at-Large	Justin Bennett	Missouri	X
Ex-Officio	Jennifer Henkel	ASWB	X
Ex-Officio	Dr. Karen Goodenough	NASW	X
Ex-Officio	Dr. Laura Groshong	CSWA	X

10:30am - Welcome Call to Order

Chair

- H. Cecil welcomes everyone and calls the meeting to order at 10:35 am ET.

Roll Call

Secretary

- J. Johansen takes attendance of all Executive Committee members present.

Review and Adopt Agenda*

Chair

- H. Cecil reviews the meeting agenda, which will be adopted for the meeting's proceedings.
- A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda.
- All vote in favor of adopting the agenda.

Review of Draft Minutes

Chair

- H. Cecil presents the draft minutes from the last full commission meeting and asks if there are any edits or changes needed.
- J. Bennett requests three changes, including the spelling of Sills and Bennett, as well as making to include a comment about a conflict of interest.

10:40am - Discussion of Committee

Chair

- H. Cecil introduces discussion about committee appointments, responsibilities, and volunteers.
- H. Cecil reviews the volunteers for both the Rules and Finance Committee and officially appoints these volunteers to their desired committees roles.

10:50am - Review RFI Responses for Social Work Compact Data System

Chair

- H. Cecil reviews the responses to the RFI regarding the Social Work Compact Data System and the Commissioner Data System Survey.
 - **System Automation (Evoke):** With 57 years of experience, the company provides a purpose-built platform for regulatory agencies and works with multiple interstate compacts. It meets strong security standards but lacks cost estimates, conflict resolution details, and support for states with varying technical readiness.
 - **InspiringApps(CompactConnect):** The company offers an open-source solution, CompactConnect, used by three licensure compacts, with transparent pricing and a quick 3-6 month implementation. It has a direct relationship with CSG and cost-sharing options, but is relatively young (founded in 2007) with some features still developing and limited resources.
 - **TrussWorks (ServiceNow):** The company offers advanced security, AI-driven analytics, and flexible integration, with strong federal compliance and business continuity planning. However, it has the highest cost (\$4.5-5M), longest timeline (10-12 months), limited experience with licensing systems, and a more complex solution, being the youngest company (founded in 2012).
- H. Cecil asks for questions and discussion from the delegates
 - D. Sills inquired about the cost, and H. Cecil responded that it is the Finance Committee's responsibility to find a solution and propose a budget.
 - J. Bennett and K. Fowler request for the slides and RFI responses to be shared.
 - D. Sills mentions that Georgia has raised a question about supervision hours in the data system.
 - D. Sills and S. Nance discuss how states would manage supervision in the system and how data would be shared and that the Rules committee could make rule to include something like that, but that it would most likely be an attestation.
 - H. McKee emphasized the importance of real-time data in the system.
- H. Cecil asks for feedback on next steps for the Executive Committee and proposes inviting each company for a demo
 - J. Johansen: A demo is a good idea, with specific questions tailored to the details each state needs, as well as understanding where states stand in terms of readiness. However, the response to the first survey was not ideal, so an Executive Committee survey for the board may be enough to get a general idea.
 - J. Bennett: Suggests not moving forward with TrussWorks based on cost, but seeking videos to narrow down the choices. Many people are unable to afford systems at that high cost. Videos should focus on specific scenarios during the demo.

- H. McKee: The cost of the database is extremely high for TrussWorks, and it's not worth discussing since states would have to pay. Agrees with Jana on involving other states and directed to the Executive Director of the state commissioners.
- J. Bennett: How do we engage the full commission—via gathering or vote over email? The video would be for the Executive Committee, and the full commission would provide input via survey.
- S. Nance: The best practice would be to solicit a vote from the full commission – could consider holding a full commission webinar with just one agenda item, so no need to wait for a larger meeting.

11:15am - SW Compact Legislative Update

CSG

- K. Bison provides an update on the latest developments regarding the Social Work Compact legislation.
- North Dakota has recently enacted the compact and will be joining the Commission soon.
- S. Nance provides an update on the compact legislation in New Mexico having material language changes and potential future steps for the commission.

11:20am - Delegate Questions and Comments

H. Cecil

- Open floor for delegate questions and comments.
 - L. Groshong mentioned that Medicare telemental health coverage would continue only for another 6 months until October 16th.
 - S. Nance discussed how telecare is now more integrated into healthcare and how the compacts can exist without it but there are questions about its use for legal defensibility and whether it can proceed as planned in its current state, which affects many professions.
- H. Cecil ask for discussion on the schedule of the next meeting and suggested the third Wednesday of each month at this same time.
 - H. McKee mentioned that the meetings should be scheduled until the end of the fiscal year with a pause in June.
 - J. Johansen confirmed availability for the third Wednesday of each month except for May.

Public Questions and Comments

Chair

- No public comments were received.

11:30am – Adjourn*

Chair

- H. Cecil calls for a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor.

Items marked with an asterisk () indicate that an Executive Committee vote is required. **