

SW Executive Committee – Minutes

Date: May 20, 2026, 2:00 pm to 3:00pm ET

Location: [Zoom](#)

2:00pm - 2:02pm Welcome & Call to Order Chair

- The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:02pm ET.

2:00pm - 2:02pm Roll Call CSG

State/ Affiliation	Name	Present
Kentucky	Hank Cecil, Chair	x
South Dakota	Kelli Willis, Vice Chair	x
Ohio	Kevin Fowler, Treasurer	Not present
North Carolina	Elizabeth Pope, Secretary	x
Georgia	Dr. Deborah Sills	Not present
Missouri	Justin Bennett, Rules Chair	x
ASWB	Jennifer Henkel	x
NASW	Karen Goodenough	x
CSWA	Laura Groshong	x

- Dan Logsdon, Kaitlyn Bison and Imani Smith (CSG), Samantha Nance (Interim Legal Counsel) and Jay Phillips (EMWN Law) were present.

2:02pm – 2:10pm Review and Adopt Agenda* Chair

- Kelli Willis moved to adopt the agenda; Justin Bennett seconded. Motion carried.

Review and Approve Draft Minutes* Chair

- Justin Bennett requested changes:
 - Spelling correction for “Bennett” on page one, plus added context for question regarding IA agreement being under the “scope of work” (located in the adoption of the agenda).
- Elizabeth Pope requested on page 2 for spelling change for “Kaitlyn”, and word removal after “data”.

- Justin Bennett asked to include that resolution and commission's decision that Technical Advisory group was tabled, and that the original motion passed; reordered the section for clarification.
- Justin Bennett moved to approve minutes with amendments; Elizabeth Pope seconded. Motion carried.

2:10pm – 2:20pm

Rules Committee Report

**Rules
Committee Chair**

- Justin Bennett noted the Rule on Home State Transfer, and upcoming rules.
 - Background Checks as an upcoming discussion per varying state requirements, planning to present soon.
 - Welcomes comment from Executive Committee.
- Noted Kelli Willis (SD) and Katie Dotie (LA) will be joining the committee. Next Rules Committee meeting is rescheduled due to overlap with full commission meeting.
 - Elizabeth Pope asked about process for submitting comments. Legal Counsel clarified best process would be via public comment.

2:20pm – 2:30pm

Finance Committee Report

Treasurer

- Kaitlyn Bison presents overview of last joint committees meeting. No substantial changes to draft rule on fees.
 - Subcommittee on Executive Director discussed entering into a secretariat agreement instead of an RFP process, submitted recommendation to the Executive Committee for further deliberation.
 - The Chair asked if the plan will be submitted or if the subcommittee is requesting direction from the Executive Committee.
 - Legal Counsel explained the options per the process and the subcommittee's decision-making.
 - Karen Goodenough asked if the Secretariat would hire the Executive Director.
 - Legal Counsel clarified it as an administrative role in the hiring process, and authority housed in the Executive Committee.
 - Dan Logsdon noted an example with Executive Director of Counseling Compact; OT and Counseling utilizing secretariat management companies.
 - Justin Bennett moved that Legal Counsel work with the subcommittee on separation of authority and present decision to Executive Committee; Kelli Willis seconded. Motion carried.

- Kaitlyn Bison reviewed the kickoff meeting with Inspiring Apps on Monday. Scheduling regularly occurring check-ins soon.
 - The Chair asked about questions relating to the unique identification number,
 - Bison asks for initial thoughts on a separate number used for the purposes of the public search function for looking up the multistate license.
 - Justin Bennett asked for a side-by-side comparison of with/out public numbers.

2:35pm – 2:40pm

New Committees

Chair

- The Chair noted the communications committee needed per recent IA announcement.
 - Dr. Karen Goodenough asked if committees mentioned exist in other compacts.
 - Legal Counsel noted that compliance committee is a typical inclusion for when commission begins issuing and accepting remittances; Training/Outreach for commissioner onboarding; Elections, etc., as option available.
 - Dr. Goodenough asks about feasibility of committees; Asked about the need of Bylaws Committee.
 - Compliance Committee recommended by Legal Counsel.
 - The Chair noted bylaws committee.
 - Justin Bennett iterated a Communications Committee as necessary for now, per questions regarding the compact within the profession.
 - Laura Groshong sent out a summary of commission progress. Supported having a communication committee.

2:40pm – 2:50pm

Special Commission Meeting Planning

Chair

- Legal Counsel will send a memo regarding the South Carolina commissioner update.
 - Justin Bennett noted discussion regarding level of participation with commissioner. Legal Counsel noted consideration for limitation on participation per material deviations in New Mexico legislation enacted and further discussions need at the special commission meeting.
- Kaitlyn Bison introduced other agenda items for consideration. Justin Bennett asked for a limited agenda.

2:50pm – 3:00pm

Delegate Questions and Comments

Chair

- Justin Bennett asked about implementing vice chairs for committees in case of chair absences. Chair agreed.

**Public Questions and
Comments**

- *None provided.*

3:00pm

Adjourn*

Chair

- Elizabeth pope moved to adjourn, Justin Bennett seconded. Motion carried.

** Indicates agenda item requires Executive Committee vote*