SW Finance Committee – Minutes

Date: June 9th, 2026, at 3pm – 4pm ET
Location: Zoom

3:00pm - 3:03pm **Welcome & Call to Order** **Chair**

- Dan Logsdon and Imani Smith (CSG), and Samantha Nance (Interim Legal Counsel) present.
- The Chair called the meeting to order at

3:03pm - 3:05pm **Roll Call** **CSG**

Name	State	Present
Kevin Fowler, Chair	Ohio	x
Tobi Zavala	Arizona	x
Barry Noel	Rhode Island	Not present
David Fye	Kansas	x
Veronica Knowles	Mississippi	x
Karen Richards	Maryland	x
Ashley Childers	Tennessee (alternate delegate)	Not present
Heather Foley	ASWB (non-voting)	x

3:05pm – 3:10pm **Review and Adopt Agenda*** **Chair**

- David Fye (KS) moved to adopt the Finance Committee agenda; Tobi Zavala (AZ) seconded. Motion carried.

Review and Approve Draft Minutes*

- David Fye (KS) moved to adopt the previous meeting minutes; Karen Richards seconded. Motion carried.
- Veronica Knowles (MS) moved to adopt the previous subcommittee meeting minutes; Karen Richards (MD) seconded. Motion carried.

SOCIALWORK LICENSURE COMPACT

3:10pm – 3:25pm	**Draft Rule on Fees** ***Discussion***	**Chair/CSG**

- Chair presented setting a fee amount.
- Legal counsel pointed out that the Commission Chair left comments on the draft rule; Also noted requested in recent Rules Committee to schedule another Joint Meeting to discuss the comments.
    - The Chair agreed that a Joint Rules and Finance Committees meeting may be best to review comments of the Commission Chair.
        - Legal Counsel reiterates the importance of not delaying further, but that joint meeting is necessary.
        - The Chair requested a scheduling poll to be distributed.
- Chair revisits fee amount proposal of $20.
    - David Fye (KS) noted the previous Rules Committee discussion and agreed with the $20 proposal.
    - Tobi Zavala (AZ) and Veronia Knowles (MS) agree with $20 fee proposal.
        - Dan Logsdon (CSG) reiterates flexibility to adjust the fee later after experiences with state launches.
- Karen Richards (MD) motions to recommend $20 fee amount to Executive Committee for review; Tobi Zavala (AZ) seconds. Motion carried.

3:25pm – 3:40pm	**Subcommittee Report:** **Executive Director Search**	**Chair**

- The Chair presents the draft Executive Director job description.
    - Subcommittee decided to utilize ASWB for secretariat services.
    - Tobi Zavala (AZ) notes some concerns but ultimately agrees procedurally.
    - Legal Counsel notes established precedents for using the ex-officio for secretariat services and that it will include an MOU.
        - David Fye (KS) noted similar process with the PsyPact compact, and using a separate email address for the compact commission to ensure distinction.
    - David Fye (KS) asked about next steps in the Executive Director search.
        - The Chair noted the following sub-committee meeting to discuss further. Focusing on securing the secretariat role, and then the Executive Director role.

3:40pm – 3:50pm	**Discussion: FY2027 Budget**	**Chair**

- The Chair noted updating numbers, per data system development, etc.

- Heather Foley (ASWB) noted that FY2026 budget could be pushed into the FY2027 budget due to commission delays. Will follow up to confirm.
    - The Chair and Foley will present settled figures at the next finance committee meeting.

3:50pm – 4:00pm	**Delegate Questions and Comments**	**Chair**

- David Fye (KS) brought up consideration for licensure changes per degree tiers. Noting potential effect on funding.
    - The Chair noted issue may require new licenses. Tobi Zavala (AZ) agrees; Asked about similar examples in other compacts.
        - Legal Counsel noted similarities in ASLP and DDH, but that some conceptual differences. Notes that without specific direction from the commission, it would be considered as a default transaction.
            - David Fye (KS) asks about if a new background check would be required of new license. Needs precise definition per adoption process.
            - The Chair asks if background check rule language indicates anything specifically.
            - Legal Counsel notes recent considerations and state processes with Rules Committee; ASWB recently gathered data on which states currently do background checks.

	Public Questions and Comments	**Chair**

- *None provided.*

4:00pm	**Adjourn***	**Chair**

- David Fye (KS) moved to adjourn; Veronica Knowles (MS) seconded. Motion carried.

** Indicates agenda item requires a committee vote.*