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Some memberships are transactional. You join a club to get a benefit: better prices on groceries at a big box store, access to a club lounge at the airport with a frequent flyer plan, or a free tow if your car breaks down.

But relational memberships are usually the ones that are the most meaningful. They are grounded in community. You're a member of a family, a member of a sorority, a member of a congregation, not because you'll get NOVEMBER 21, 2024



benefits in exchange for a membership, but because the relationship is the benefit. And ASWB membership is like that, with both concrete benefits and ones that are intangible — relational, not transactional.

The challenges we face in social work regulation can be addressed only in community. How can we come together to increase the understanding of what it means to be part of a regulatory community? How can we convey what that means for those receiving social work services or to communities who may not even know the impact social workers are having on their children, older adults, families, those who are incarcerated, those who are hospitalized, those who are struggling?



We may be facing challenges and uncertainty in the social work profession, but the Annual Meeting earlier this month illustrated that that your membership association is resilient because we exist as a community. We can weather challenges together and come through them better and stronger.

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

#### Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly

# **Elections**

ASWB delegates elected seven members to the ASWB Board of Directors and three members to the Nominating Committee at the organization's 2024 Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly in San Diego, California, on Saturday, November 9, 2024.

Read about the election results



# **Awards**

ASWB celebrated the outstanding service of two leaders in social work regulation. **Hyacinth McKee** (LA) received the Sunny Andrews Award for Outstanding Commitment to Regulatory Board Service. **Ruth Romero** (NM) received the Glenda McDonald Board Administrator Award for Outstanding Commitment to Regulatory Board Service.

Read more about their accomplishments





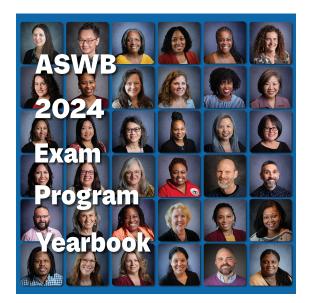
# **Other official actions of the Delegate Assembly**

- Delegates to the 2024 Annual Meeting approved one <u>minor amendment</u> to the ASWB Bylaws, to clarify language about eligibility of seated directors to run for office. <u>Download the full bylaws, as amended</u>.
- Delegates adopted two resolutions:
  - <u>Task Force to Consider Regions Encouraging Increased</u>
    <u>Engagement</u>
  - <u>Member Board Engagement</u>

### Examination program

## Examination Program Yearbook

The success of the ASWB licensing examination program depends on the hard work of a diverse group of volunteers, consultants, and contracted item writers committed to public protection. Together, these social workers ensure that the ASWB examinations remain fair, valid, and reliable.



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