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OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES
Video Conference
August 7, 2026-11:00AM MDT / 12:00 PM CDT

Members Present: Susan Kornder, President
Rachel Gangle, Secretary/Treasurer
Kelli Willis, Member
Jenna Brandt, Member
Amber Zandstra, Lay Member
Kristen Mion, Lay Member

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Brooke Tellinghuisen-Geddes, Executive Secretary; Katie Funke, Executive Assistant; Amber Bruns, ABA Committee; Lisa Stanley, ABA Committee (joined at 12:05 PM CDT); Kimberly Marso, ABA Committee; Greg Tishkoff, Legal Counsel, DSS; Tracy Mercer, DSS; Renee Stellagher, Prosecuting Counsel, SD Office of the Attorney General.

Call to Order/Welcome: Kornder called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. CDT.

Roll Call: Kornder requested Tellinghuisen-Geddes call the roll. Kornder, yes; Willis, yes; Gangel, yes; Zandstra, yes; Brandt, yes; Mion, yes. A quorum was present.

Corrections or additions to the agenda: None.

Approval of the agenda: Gangle made a motion to approve the agenda. Willis seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of the Minutes from Board meeting on May 8, 2026: Brandt made a motion to approve the minutes from May 8, 2026. Zandstra seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

FY Financial Update: Tellinghuisen-Geddes reported fiscal year-end figures as of June 30, 2026: expenses of $128,227.80; revenue of $240,611.01 and a cash balance of $630,277.46. It was mentioned that these were the preliminary year-end figures and if any final deposits or expenses may not be reflected in this report.

ABA Updates: None.

Annual Review of Open Meeting Laws (SDCL 1-25-13): Tishkoff presented an overview of the guide to South Dakota's Open Meeting Laws, prepared by the Attorney General's Office as required by SDCL 1-25-13.

SW Compact Updates: Willis reported the compact has chosen its software vendor and the target date for implementation of the compact is still mid-2027.

Tellinghuisen-Geddes reported that the Board's request for an ORI number was denied again. The FBI Office of General Counsel (FBI-OGC) stated that the term "Multistate License" was considered overly broad, resulting in the denial. Board staff and legal counsel are evaluating potential solutions, and it is not yet known whether additional legislation will be required. If legislation is determined to be necessary, Tellinghuisen-Geddes recommended that the Board authorize staff and legal counsel to draft proposed legislation to address the issue and support the Board's efforts to obtain an ORI number. Willis made a motion to authorize Board staff and legal counsel to determine whether additional legislation is necessary and, if so, to draft proposed legislation to address the ORI number issue. Rachel seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

ASWB Annual Meeting- Salt Lake City, Utah, November 6-7, 2026: Gangle made a motion to send Willis as the voting delegate to this meeting, Zandstra seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote with Willis abstaining.

Schedule Next Meeting: The next meetings are scheduled for November 6, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. MST/12:00 p.m. CST and February 5, 2027, at 11:00 a.m. MST/12:00 p.m. CST.

Any other business coming in between date of mailing and date of meeting: No other business.

Executive Session Pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2: Willis made a motion to enter executive session at 12:19 p.m. CDT. Brandt seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote. All others exited the meeting. The Board exited executive session at 12:22 p.m. CST.

Complaints/Investigations: The Board office reported one pending complaint. Dismissed complaints by the investigative committee pursuant to SDCL 36-1C-4, were reported individually to Board members on the following dates:

Complaint #318, Dismissed June 29, 2026
Complaint#319, Dismissed May 29, 2026
Complaint #320, Dismissed July 9, 2026

CSW-PIP Supervision Contracts: Willis made a motion to approve the following contracts. Brandt seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

Magorien, S.: Supervision with Schumacher beginning July 1, 2026;

Brown, M.: Supervision with Frie beginning June 29, 2026;

Howard, E.: Supervision with Rickel beginning June 24, 2026;

Nusz, A.: Supervision with Desmet beginning June 23, 2026;

Marsh, P.: Supervision with Digatono beginning June 10, 2026;

Cruz, D.: Supervision with Burow beginning June 4, 2026;

Kolste, E.: Supervision with Wiegand beginning June 2, 2026;

Hartnett, M.: Supervision with Steffen beginning June 3, 2026;

McManaman, E.: Supervision with Kaiser beginning July 1, 2026;

Baker, J.: Supervision with Gangle beginning May 18, 2026;

Fields, C.: Supervision with Cary beginning May 13, 2026;

Mills, C.: Supervision with Lueth beginning May 11, 2026;

Feathers, T.: Supervision with Sedlack beginning May 1, 2026;

LaDeaux-Hernandez, C.: Supervision with Sprague beginning April 22, 2026;

Erickson, R.: Supervision with Enfield beginning August 1, 2026;

CSW-PIP Out-of-State Supervision Vote: Gangle made a motion to approve 2 months of out-of-state supervision for Kolste towards the total requirement. Brandt seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

Mion made a motion to adjourn at 12:25 p.m. CDT. Willis seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

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1-27-1.17. Draft minutes of public meeting to be available--Exceptions--Violation as misdemeanor. The unapproved, draft minutes of any public meeting held pursuant to § 1-25-1 that are required to be kept by law shall be available for inspection by any person within ten business days after the meeting. However, this section does not apply if an audio or video recording of the meeting is available to the public on the governing body's website within five business days after the meeting. A violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor. However, the provisions of this section do not apply to draft minutes of contested case proceedings held in accordance with the provisions of chapter 1-26.