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California Social Work Education Center

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## **Research and Development Committee Meeting**

Westin Los Angeles Airport, Los Angeles

May 5, 2016 | 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

*Virginia Rondero Hernandez, Chair | Co-Chair Vacant*

## **M I N U T E S**

### **Attendance**

#### **Board Members:**

David Chenot (CSU Fullerton), Jeff Edleson (UC Berkeley), Todd Franke (UCLA), Scott Gruendl (San Mateo County), Melinda Hohman (SDSU), Amy Levin (CSU North Ridge), Dale Russell (CSUS), Jack Wall (SJSU), Evaon Wong-Kim (CSU East Bay)

#### **Constituents:**

Jessie Rosales (CDSS)

#### **Staff:**

Sandhya Rao Hermon, Susan Jacquet

## **D E C I S I O N S**

The Committee adopted the minutes from February 4, 2016.

Howard Himes and Jo Ann Johnson from the counties were suggested to fill the vacant co-chair position based on their attendance and involvement at Board meetings.

Chairs of the initiative committees are recommended to be considered as co-chairs of the permanent committees.

It was agreed to amend priorities and action steps of the Research and Development Committee Work Plan.

It was decided to select only five of the student research proposals as finalists and award only two Executive Summaries.

## **A C T I O N I T E M S**

Jeff Edleson will contact Howard Himes (Napa County) and Jo Ann Johnson (Sacramento County) about acting as co-chairs of the Research and Development Committee.

Review the five student research Executive Summaries to determine the two final awards. Susan will send summaries to the review committee.

## S U M M A R Y

### **I. Welcome and Introductions**

- Chair Virginia Rondero Hernandez was unable to attend, so Dean Jeff Edleson chaired the meeting and welcomed the group.
- The minutes from the February 4, 2016, meeting were reviewed and approved.

### **II. Composition of Committee**

- The Committee would like the vacant co-chair position with county director representation to be filled by Jo Ann Johnson and Howard Himes based on their attendance and involvement at Board meetings.
- If the plan is to reduce the number of Board committees to three permanent committees, it was suggested that chairs of the initiative committees be selected as co-chairs of the permanent committees. Interim webinars of the initiative committees or content subcommittees could meet quarterly to address issues from the standing committees, Curriculum and Training Committee, Research and Development Committee, and Workforce Development/Funding Committee.
- The Director of Mental Health has suggested rebranding the Mental Health Program as “Integrated Behavioral Health” and folding in the Aging Initiative, leaving two content subcommittees. By adding “Services,” the program would encompass the community services aspect of the Aging Initiative. The competencies are being revised to include the Aging competencies to further integrate the two content areas of Mental Health and Aging, named “Integrated Behavioral Health Services.”
- The group suggested adding representatives from the two content domains as well as representatives of the Aging community as part of the Committee.

### **III. Work Plan**

- The Work Plan draft was based on the priorities developed in the February Board meeting along with actions plans. Ideas for sources of funding had been added to draft.
- Priorities were collapsed with actions steps. See Appendix for revision.

### **IV. Title IV-E Contract**

- Dean Edleson discussed details and issues of the upcoming Title IV-E contract.

### **V. Student Research Awards**

- Only ten student research proposals were submitted. Last year ten proposals were selected as finalists and five Executive Summaries were selected for the final awards. The Committee decided to select five of the ten student research proposals as finalists and award only two Executive Summaries awards.
- The low response to the call for proposals prompted discussion about the criteria and promotion of the awards.