CalSWEC Evaluation & Research Committee Meeting
October 15th, 2020, 9:30 – 11 am
Virtual Meeting

Agenda

I. Welcome & Introductions
   • Icebreaker: Share something interesting in your current work environment (a picture, a pet, a child, etc!)
   • Review of revised committee charter (see attachment)

II. Approval of Meeting Agenda

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes of 4-30-20

IV. Updates:
   • MHSA Retrospective study
   • Title IV-E Retrospective study
   • SERVE Project
   • Supplemental evaluation of APS Stipend Program

V. Discussion:
   • Evaluation and Research during and after COVID 19: What are the existing evaluation and research needs among CalSWEC stakeholders and are there ways members of this committee can help to address those needs?
   • Committee membership and focus: Where do we go from here?

VI. Open forum: Questions, ideas and updates from attendees

VII. Adjournment
Background

In October 2017, the CalSWEC Advisory Board passed a motion to accept the proposed reorganization of Advisory Board membership and meetings per the 2016 CalSWEC Strategic Plan. Permanent Committee descriptions were modified by the Executive Committee to incorporate themes offered by stakeholders and as reflected in the strategic planning document. These descriptions were included in the Amended Bylaws approved in February 2018. Next, the CalSWEC Advisory Board charged an ad hoc committee to review and refine the language used to describe the Permanent Committees. These descriptions were presented to the Evaluation and Research Committee at the October 18, 2018 meeting. The Committee made recommendations to enhance the committee’s purpose, relevance and functioning. The final revised Evaluation and Research Committee charter, as included in the CalSWEC Bylaws, is as follows:

The Evaluation and Research Committee is a permanent committee and shall be responsible for formulating recommendations and reports to the Advisory Board related to CalSWEC’s evaluation and research functions. This committee shall:

- Support the evaluation and research needs and efforts of CalSWEC Evaluation and Research staff, including but not limited to the Title IV-E training and stipend program and social services workforce development, as related to the fulfillment of CalSWEC contract deliverables and related projects.

- Work collaboratively with CalSWEC staff to identify new and innovative research and evaluation needs and ideas consistent with CalSWEC’s mission, and to proactively pursue external funding for projects of regional and statewide scope, including identifying funding opportunities and assisting with the pursuit of such opportunities by harnessing stakeholder resources to support CalSWEC’s efforts.

- Facilitate the communication and sharing of evaluation and research related needs and resources among CalSWEC stakeholders, with the goal of providing opportunities for those stakeholders to develop collaborative and mutually supportive evaluation and research agendas and projects outside of CalSWEC’s primary projects.

- Support CalSWEC and stakeholder efforts to share and disseminate their evaluation and research findings related to social work education and practice.

The Evaluation and Research Committee may receive or make requests of other CalSWEC Advisory Board committees.