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California Social Work Education Center

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Policy & Advocacy Committee	
Date	October 21, 2021
Time	9:30-11:00 a.m.
Location	Virtual Meeting
Attendees	Vida Castaneda, Tory Cox, Alana Dussell, Gabriela Fischer, Marshal Galvan Jr., Maria Gurrola, Kathryn Kietzman, Stuart Oppenheim, Tina Paddock, Susan Roll, Carolyn Shin, Deborah Son, Jennifer Tucker-Tatlow
Agenda/Topics	
Introductions	<p>The meeting began with everyone introducing themselves and sharing one policy topic they are watching and/or advocating around at this time.</p> <p>Things we are watching: CSU Teaching policies, immigration, Fresno County youth placement crisis, youth and mental health, family and child enrichment (aka prevention), racial justice in the child welfare system, Native American Day! – hooray!, new legislation on missing and murdered native foster children, family and friend caregivers programs, guaranteed income for youth in care, implementation of pilot funding for Native American IV-E students.</p>
Follow-up from April 2021 meeting	There were no corrections or concerns about the minutes- passed.
Land Acknowledgement	<p>We had a discussion of the Land Acknowledgement that has been in draft (https://docs.google.com/document/d/13BXwDIXfkbiO6ns0wHTTrNc4tB5yU8aai1rcEpHeQeeA/edit)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall there was much praise and gratitude for the work on this important statement. • Many requested both a short and longer version – recognizing that it is long, and may not work for a website or documents, but the content is really good • There was some additional language added <p>In the discussion, the critical point was raised that UC Berkeley has one of the largest collections of ancestors and artifacts from Native tribes that they have failed to return (https://calmatters.org/education/2018/07/native-american-tribes-clash-with-uc-over-bones-of-their-ancestors/) despite both federal and state laws. The committee agreed to write a letter to UC Berkeley with our concerns. We will bring this to the CalSWEC Board for consideration. Jennifer will convene the task group with Gabriela, Vida, Deborah, and Susan.</p>
News & Updates from NASW – Deborah Son	<p>Deborah gave an overview of many of the legislative efforts that are going on at the Capitol that concern Social Work. There was some rich discussion on many of the topics.</p> <p>Some highlights include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SB 549: Social Workers as Essential Workers – vetoed

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role of Social Workers for people seeking medical exemptions • Workforce Development – lots of discussion and support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Title Protection – currently surveying https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QVRPL7N social workers statewide ○ Advocacy Strategies • Clinical supervision in a remote format – waiver ending October 31, 2021 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NASW working with BBS to legislate remote supervision ○ Question: should ASWs be able to count their remote hours? • SB14 mental health needs can be an excused absence • AB1006 Social Worker workgroup on high turnover rates in foster care agencies • Crisis Act Grant program to fund communities looking to alternatives to police
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Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Land Acknowledgement	Jennifer will convene task group with Gabriela, Vida, Devorah and Susan.	