EVALUATION AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE DESCRIPTION
April 25, 2019

Background
In October 2017, the CalSWEC Board passed a motion to accept the proposed reorganization of Board membership and meetings per the 2016 CalSWEC Strategic Plan. Descriptions of existing Permanent Committees were modified by the CalSWEC Executive Committee to incorporate themes offered by stakeholders on the role of CalSWEC reflected in the strategic planning document.

These descriptions were included in the Amended Bylaws which were approved in February 2018. Subsequently, the CalSWEC Advisory Board charged an ad hoc committee to review and refine the bylaw language used to describe the Permanent Committees so it was clearer and more actionable. These descriptions were presented to the Evaluation and Research Committee at the October 18, 2018 committee meeting to review, discuss and recommend as a charter to guide future committee activities and inform the CalSWEC mission. The Committee made a series of recommendations to enhance the committee’s purpose, relevance and functioning.

Following is a revised description of the Evaluation and Research Committee for the attendees’ consideration. Assuming the final description is acceptable, the Committee Co-Chairs will recommend that Bylaws language be adopted and amended to reflect the new description and serve as the committee’s charter.

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, as related to the fulfillment of CalSWEC contract deliverables and related workforce development evaluation and research needs
• Work collaboratively with CalSWEC staff to identify new and innovative research and evaluation needs and ideas, 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.

**Note:** Original committee descriptions appear in the 2018 amended bylaws.