

**NH School Social Workers Association**  
**Minutes for September 25, 2014**  
**Board of Directors and General Membership/Collaborative Meeting**

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings will be held at the NH DOE, Room 15 of the Londergan Building at the State Office Park, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord NH

**NHSSWA Board of Directors meeting: 2:30-3:30**

Attending: Frances Strayer, Jocelyn Jerry-Wolcott, Theresa Georges, Bernadette Pelczar, Courtney Porter, Cynthia Collea, Elin Pelland

**I. Business**

- a. Approval of minutes from 2014 Annual meeting.
- b. Review of 2014-2015 meeting schedule. Schedule approved.
- c. Presenting at the NEA Conference in April 2015 or October 2015.  
Elin has been in touch with the NEA about the conferences. We were not ready for this year but looking to future events. Pick a content area that Social workers have expertise in that will be helpful to teachers. There is a lot of support for this idea but also an awareness to table this issue until we find what direction we want to go as an organization.
- d. Current and future planning for NHSSWA- do we need a strategic plan? If so, how do we do this? Who will participate in the development and when/where/how? How do we look at future planning? Do we need a survey of the membership to see what they want from the group? On going discussion about creating a work plan for ourselves. We will probably need to set a longer meeting time in order to get this work done.
- e. Marketing Strategies – use of website? Postponed to next meeting.
- f. Announcements: Anxious Kids/Anxious Parents Oct 9, 7-9 Concord PTO
- g. Any other business  
Frances will ask Kristina Lind if she will come talk at one of our meetings

**NHSSWA Collaborative Hours: 3:30-5:00**

**II. Welcome and Introductions**

Jenn Sumner, Maria Easton, Cathy Caswell, Laurie Ekberg, Elin Pelland, Frances Strayer, Theresa Georges, Bernadette Pelczar, Courtney Porter, Cynthia Collea

- a. Soliciting membership for needs/wants?
- b. Summary of Board business
- c. Franklin got a SAMSHA grant for Project Aware. Concord and Laconia got a different one.
- d. Case Review/Peer Consultation- Discussion about unified language to describe what we do. Beginning with student support.
- e. Resource Sharing. NH Children's Behavioral Health Collaborative: Includes a large group of stakeholders. Children's school health is 6.2 in the strategic plan.

You can see the plan on the website. It talks about transitioning and there are so many places where student support/school social workers can be involved.

- f. Presentation by Susan Rundlett and Lisa MacLean from Kearsarge on Children Helping Children

[www.children-helping-children.com](http://www.children-helping-children.com)

Asking kids to sponsor other children through their own community or through charitable organizations either locally or worldwide. Charity has to have an A or B rating to be on their web site. The website has ideas and organizations and wants to collect more to put on the site.

- g. Any other business

### **Meeting Dates for 2014-2015**

**Board meetings are 2:30-3:30. General Meetings are 3:30-5:0**

December 10, 2014	Wednesday	2:30-5:00	
March 12, 2015	Thursday	2:30-5:00	
May 13, 2015	Wednesday	2:30-5:00	Annual Meeting