

**SOCIAL WORK PAG MINUTES**  
**February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007**  
**1:00PM to 2:30 PM**

<b>SW PAG Leadership:</b>	LTJG Renee Pleasanton
CDR Wanda Finch, Chair	CDR Jay Seligman
CDR Janet Hawkins, Chair Elect	
LCDR Christopher McGee, Secretary	
<b>Teleconference:</b>	
CDR Gail Davis	
CAPT Julia Dunaway	
LT Sonsy Fermin	
CAPT Dan Kavanaugh	
LT Kristin Mason	
LT Melanie Pedersen	

I. Welcome and Introductions

Roll call by officers attending the meeting

Meeting called to order by CDR Finch

Minutes reviewed. CAPT Dunaway requested correction noting her attendance at the last meeting. Motion to approve by CDR Seligman, seconded by CDR Hawkins.

II. Announcements

- Promotion ceremony on February 23, 2007
- Planning Committee called for more volunteers. CDR Finch requested officers contact her regarding volunteering
- HSO PAC wanting volunteer for liaison to the Career Development Committee
- Social Work Month was discussed in detail and plans were made for a booth
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I. Appointment & Licensing Standards

- CDR Davis discussed CAPT Milner's desire for a Task Force to address Appointment and Licensing standards. CDR Davis reported establishing some inroads with OCCO. Information will be passed on to officers as it is received
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III. SW PAG Readiness Committee Updates

- CDR Hawkins reported having lunch with Dan Beck regarding readiness. New requirement to have 2 PPD's in a calendar year and no further needed.

It is possible that if officers work in a clinical setting may still require yearly.  
It is recommended to ask OFRD

- \_ CDR Hawkins reported to expect changes later this year regarding points being added to the President's Challenge. This change is expected in June
- \_ All officers are strongly encouraged to check the OFRD website to review their readiness status

I. USUHS Social Work Graduate School

- \_ No new information presented

I. HSO/COA Update

- \_ COA conference is June 3 - 8, 2007. CAPT Kavanaugh will have afternoon break out session. He will submit the agenda to the SWPAG Secretary
- \_ Several SWPAG members will be presenting including CDR Morisette and LCDR Alzavera

I. Promotions 2007

- \_ Stay on top of staying basic qualified
- \_ No news on when the Board will be meeting

II. USSW/AMSUS Conference

- \_ Conference scheduled for November 11 - 16 in Salt Lake City, Utah. LT Wilson will forward new information as received
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I. Deployments

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V. New Topics

- VI.** The first mental health team training was cancelled and due to the continuing resolutions all MHT training may be cancelled
- \_ Discussed how to increase involvement particularly among junior officers

- o CAPT Barkin spoke of reaching out to the PAG around building and creating mentorship opportunities for career development – have senior officers actively engaged in mentoring junior officers
- o CAPT Barkin suggested that we update a PAG list that contains officers' areas of specialty/interest, basic readiness status, information on when the officer will be up for promotion, and what the officer would like help with

- Discussed how the mental health teams had to develop similar lists and how time intensive this process can be, but how these suggestions ought to be considered by the new SWPAG leadership
- CDR Finch recommended the SWPAG develop a coin to reflect the abilities of the social work profession and allow our PAG to stand out
  - CAPT Dulaney will lead a committee to develop ideas, offer sample graphics, and draft language
  - Discussed fact that coin production will cost money and require donations from the membership
- Discussed need to invite officers to become members of active committees. CDR Finch will forward committee descriptions to the membership
- CDR Davis expressed desire to work with Jr officers by developing a mentor program. She reported she is currently mentoring five officers
  - It was the members opinion that mentoring will fall under the purview of the Membership Committee. CDR Davis stated she would match new members with officers
  - CDR Davis will need a list of social workers from CPO's as a starting place. It was suggested the lead of the Readiness Committee may be able to acquire a list and offer support
- The need to update By Laws every three years was discussed. The SWPAG is behind in updating the By Laws. Volunteers were requested to assist

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Minutes recorded and respectfully submitted by:  
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Secretary, SW-PAG 2006