



SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL SERVICE PROFESSIONS

STATEMENT ON 54th MEETING OF PROFESSIONAL BOARD FOR SOCIAL WORK

30 August 2022

The Professional Board for Social Work (PBSW) held its 54th meeting on 17 August 2022 in Pretoria. Board Notice 316 of 2022 was published in Government Gazette 46705 of 12 August 2022 with a list of Members to serve on the 5th Council, 5th Professional Board for Social Work and 4th Professional Board for Child and Youth Care Work. As this was the first meeting of the newly constituted 5th Professional Board for Social Work the meeting was chaired by the Registrar Ms Langi Malamba in terms of *Regulation 2 relating to Appointment of Office Bearers*.

Members of the Professional Board nominated the Chairperson and Vice-chairperson in terms of Regulation 2 and the Registrar will inform the Minister of the nominations and request the Minister to appoint the Chairperson and Vice-chairperson in terms of Section 24(1)(gD)(ix). The nominated office bearers, Ms Ida Strydom (chairperson) and Ms Makau Morake (vice-chairperson) are in acting capacity until such time the Minister appoints them.

The acting chairperson chaired the second part of the meeting which dealt with the nomination of members to serve on the Section 10 committees. These committees assist in the execution of Council's powers and functions. The members of the Professional Board will attend an induction session together with the members of Council and the Professional Board for Child & Youth Care on a date to be confirmed. The date of the next meeting of the Professional Board will be confirmed once the calendar has been finalised.

The Acting chairperson of the Professional Board thanked all members for entrusting her to lead this Professional Board and encouraged the members to attend to the business of the profession within the mandate of the Board.

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ABOUT THE SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL FOR SERVICE PROFESSIONS

The South African Council for Social Service Professions (SACSSP/ Council) is a statutory body established in terms of section 2 of the Social Service Professions Act No. 110 of 1978 (the Act). Council has two professional boards under its auspices: the Professional Board for Social Work and the Professional Board for Child and Youth Care Work. Council, in conjunction with its two professional boards, guides and regulates the professions of social work and child youth care work in aspects pertaining to registration; education and training; professional conduct and ethical behaviour; ensuring continuing professional development; and fostering compliance with professional standards. It protects the integrity of the social service professions

as well as the interest of the public at large. In order to safeguard the public and indirectly the professions, registration with Council in terms of the Act is a prerequisite before practising social work and child and youth care work. Registration is mandatory for social workers, social auxiliary workers, student social workers, student social auxiliary workers, child and youth care workers, auxiliary child and youth care workers, student child and youth care workers, and student auxiliary child and youth care workers.