

My name is Dr. Lauren Beasley, and I am an Assistant Professor of Sport Administration at Georgia State University and an LMSW in the state of Georgia. I am seeking election for the position of Secretary on the Executive Committee of the Alliance of Social Workers in Sports (ASWIS). My commitment to ASWIS spans nearly a decade, joining initially as a MSW student to now as an assistant professor. During this time, I have taken on committee-level leadership roles, which have prepared me to step into an Executive Committee position. I was the former Co-Chair of the Practicum Education Task Force, where I lead the development of the ASWIS Social Work Practicum Manual, and I am the current Co-Chair of the Research Committee. I am also on the editorial board of the *Sport Social Work Journal* and was the co-editor of a recent special issue on evidence-based sport social work practice.

ASWIS has invested in me both as a student and as an early-career professor, so I am thrilled for the opportunity to continue to invest in this organization and continue to advance ethical, evidence-based, and justice-oriented social work practice in sport. My platform thus has three priorities: organizational transparency, growth of practice-based evidence and evidence-based practice, and member engagement.

*1. Organizational Transparency:* As Secretary, I will ensure that ASWIS maintains clear, timely, and accessible documentation of all Executive Committee business. With experience coordinating academic programs, managing multi-institutional research teams, and leading funded projects, I bring the skillset required for accurate record-keeping, organization, and follow-through. My goal is to continue to streamline information, so members understand the decisions shaping our organization.

*2. Growth of practice-based evidence and evidence-based practice:* My scholarship, which explores mental health literacy, social work practice in sport, and organizational well-being, promotes evidence-based sport social work practice. As Co-Chair of the Research Committee and a frequent contributor to our conference and journal, I am committed to elevating sport social work scholarship. As Secretary, I will collaborate with leadership to ensure that our research and practice committees as well as our academic and practitioner members work together to enhance both evidence-based practice and practice-based evidence.

*3. Enhancing Member Engagement:* As Secretary, I will work to ensure the accessibility of meeting summaries, highlight opportunities for involvement, and help share the work being done across our organization on media platforms. I am committed to building bridges between practitioners, scholars, and students so that ASWIS remains a welcoming place for all.

ASWIS has been instrumental in advancing sport social work, and I would be honored to support the next stage of our growth as Secretary. Thank you for your consideration and for the opportunity to continue serving the Alliance of Social Workers in Sports.