STATE ORGANIZATION:

A. State Association Officers and Contact Information:

Please list the names of the officers, legislative chair, website manager and social media manager their contact information, including email address, and length of term of offices.

**All Board terms are for a length of two years, with executive Board roles staggered**

- **President:** Emily Phares (term ending in August)
- **Vice-President:** Yemen Bernal
- **Treasurer:** Andrea Carmody (term ending in August)
- **Secretary:** Connie Ammon
- **Student Rep:** Vanessa Armendariz
- **Member at Large:** Dawn Baumgartner
- **Member at Large:** Jennifer Peters (term ending in August)
- **Member at Large:** Meleika Wadley
- **Webmaster:** David Lortie

1. Permanent Committees within the State Association:
   a. Executive Board
   b. Conference Planning

2. State Conference (Y or N and date for 2017):
   a. Yes; Held Friday, February 10th

3. Organization’s Website address:
   a. www.SSWAAZ.org

4. Newsletter (Y or N, frequency and type, electronic or paper, of circulation):
   a. Yes; Sent electronically each quarter to all members

5. Facebook Page Address (Y or N. If yes, please list the page address):
   a. Yes; School Social Work Association of Arizona

6. Twitter Handle (Y or N. If yes, please list the page address):
   a. Yes; @AZSocialWork

7. Blog address (Y or N. If yes, please list the page address):
   a. Not at this time

B. Number of State Association Members:

Currently at 78; Memberships renew in August

C. Number of School Social Workers in the State:

While we do not have fully accurate data, we estimate there are approximately 300-350

D. Annual Budget and Dues Structure:

Current Dues Structure- $35/Regular, $25/Associate, $15/Student
Budget varies between $4K-$6K annually (Dues fund mini-grants; Annual conference profits fund all other expenses)

E. State Evaluation:

1. **Current Strengths of State Association:**
   a. Active and involved board with a balance of longevity and fresh perspectives
   b. Recently achieved certification for School Social Workers with the Arizona Department of Education
   c. Consulted with AASP to advise the Arizona Department of Education regarding state-level implementation of ESSA.

2. **Current Weaknesses of State Association:**
   a. Board members spread across the state, making in-person meetings challenging
   b. Maintaining/increasing membership (especially outside of the two major metro areas)
   c. Increasing our presence/influence at the state level (Board of Behavioral Health, Department of Education, State Board of Education, etc.)

3. **Future Plans of State Association:**
   a. Maintain/Increase our membership
   b. Create opportunities for regional events
   c. Update/clarify policies and procedures of the Board to assist in smooth transitions over time and consistency between years
   d. Increase our ability to have a positive digital presence

4. **Future Threats to State Association:**
   a. Fluctuating membership (older members retiring, members taking Social Work positions outside of schools, etc.)

5. **How can SSWAA assist your state?**
   a. Promotion for membership- many of our members appreciate the “discount” afforded them by joining both the state and national organizations
   b. Suggestions for how to positively influence universities to place M.S.W. students in school placements and grow the profession