This report is due electronically to Rebecca Kunkel at r.kunkel@sswa.org by 5pm on 7/14/17. Please be prepared to share one item, from the report below, during the DA that you wish to receive to feedback.

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.

1. Permanent Committees within the State Association: The following positions are to appointed by the State President and will therefore be held for a term of one full year.
   - State President – Dr. Terriyn Rivers-Cannon – trcannon@atlantapublicschools.us
   - Vice President – Dr. Donna James – donnajames@walkerschools.org
   - Treasurer – Pamela Jemerson – pamela_jermerson@gwinnettk12.ga.us
   - Legislative Co-Chairs – (We have two co-chairs as stated below, but there is a total of 10 individuals on this committee)
     - Dr. Ursula Harris – Ursula.harris@gcssk12.net
     - Sonja Tobler – Sonja_d_tobler@dekalbschoolsga.org
     - Denise Revels – denise_revels@dekalbschools.org
     - Patrick Hartigan – hartigan@fultonschools.org
     - Carol Pitts – carol.pitts@hallco.org
     - Alicia McClung – mcclunga1@fultonschools.org
     - Rachel Johnson – ryjohnson@atlanta.k12.ga.us
     - Elesha Curvey – Elesha.curvey@atlanta.k12.ga.us
     - Connie Petty – Takana.petty@atlanta.k12.ga.us
     - Kimberly Brown Mack – brownk@fultonschools.org

   - Website Manager – Jarod Anderson – jarod.anderson@gcssk12.net
   - Public Relations Committee Chair – ReCarlo Williams – rwilliams@dcboe.com
   - Social Media – Currently in process for the 2017 – 2018 school year.

2. State Conference (Y or N and date for 2017): Yes, it was held from March 29 – 31, 2017, and during this time we celebrated our 70th year Anniversary.
3. Organization’s Website address: www.sswag.org
4. Newsletter (Y or N, frequency and type, electronic or paper, of circulation): Yes, please see attached.
5. Facebook Page Address (Y or N, If yes, please list the page address): Yes - SSWAG@GeorgiaSSWs
6. Twitter Handle (Y or N, If yes, please list the page address): Currently in process.
7. Blog address (Y or N, If yes, please list the page address): No

B. Number of State Association Members: For 2016 – 2017 we had 255 members.
C. Number of School Social Workers in the State: There are 660 School Social Workers in the state of Georgia.

D. Annual Budget and Dues Structure: The annual budget is approximately $60,000 and the expenditures total about an excess $45,000. The fee for state annual dues is in the amount of $40.00 and therefore paid online through the SSWAG website as well as the U.S. mail to the state treasurer. Local dues however are paid through each districts during their fall and or spring meetings.

E. State Evaluation:

1. Current Strengths of State Association: We provide representation for every district/county within the state of Georgia provided with multiple opportunities to meet one to one, and speak during legislative sessions with several of the State Senators in sessions outside of the Capital on various key issues that impact School Social Workers with the assistance of the lobbyist firm that we are contracted with.

2. Current Weaknesses of State Association: Membership is a concern within the state, hence currently there are 660 SSW identified but they are not represented in our numbers at present therefore it is vitally important those who are not accounted for become active members. Next would be the ability for SSW to continuously advocate even more about the important work that we do each day across the state as a whole.

3. Future Plans of State Association: The organization will continue to actively recruit university and college representatives (including students) via face to face and through emails as well as the SSWAG electronic newsletter about the participation in training activities along with leadership opportunities at the district level. Additionally, leaders will go out and speak at various venues where future potential members will be in attendance about the benefits of becoming actively involved with the organization.

4. Future Threats to State Association: School Districts offering opportunities to outside agencies who retain Social Workers on a contractual basis or those who hold the title but not the particular trained skill set which causing concern for the misrepresentation of the profession along with a decrease in job opportunities for those who are truly qualified i.e. Social Work degree.

5. How can SSWAA assist your state? SSWAA can assist by continuing to share pertinent information that impacts Schools Social Workers on the local, state and federal levels. Additionally continue to be a support system when questions are asked about the innovative ways to increase membership. Reiterate the importance of trainings and leadership opportunities within the profession/organization.