#### FEDERATION SENEGALAISE DES TRAVAILLEURS SOCIAUX

# The Office

### **MEETING MINUTES**

### 05 June 2024 at 20:00 via Google Meet

# Agenda

- 1. General information
- 2. Preparing for the November 2025 conference in Dakar
- 3. Other business

#### Present:

- Marie Odile MBENGUE
- Abdoulaye Mamadou MBOW
- Saliou DIAGNE
- Sheikh MAR
- Ngounda DIALLO
- Abib NDIAYE
- Malick NIASS
- Safiétou NDOYE

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### 1. General information:

- The Syndicat national des Travailleurs sociaux (SNTS), a member of the FSTS, held its renewal general
  meeting on Saturday 1<sup>er</sup> June 2024 at the ENTSS. The elected bureau is headed by Saliou NDIAYE, a
  specialised educator and head of the departmental social action service in Keur Massar, for a 3-year
  term. To show its support for this initiative, a letter of congratulations will be sent to the union's
  General Secretary.
- The Association nationale des Assistantes sociales du Sénégal (ANASSEN), which has been resigning
  from the Federation since November 2021, attempted to send the FSTS a letter requesting an
  explanation via a bailiff at 12 noon on Wednesday 5 June 2024. The president asked the bailiff to
  return the letter to its sender. To counter the attempts to destabilise ANASSEN, the following actions
  are planned:
  - a. Communicate the FSTS's projects to the general public via the available media platforms, so that the Federation's initiatives and achievements can be widely shared.
  - b. Engage the services of a legal expert to prepare any legal action by ANASSEN.
  - c. Call the President of ANASSEN on the telephone to find out what Ms Suanon has done to advise her on the matter.

# 2. Preparing for the 2025 conference

- The collaboration agreement submitted by IFSW must be signed and returned as soon as possible.
- Proposed general theme: The role of social work in supporting peaceful, prosperous and sustainable families, communities and societies. This theme will be studied by a small group on Thursday 6 June 2024 in order to finalise it, with sub-themes to guide the thematic workshops.

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- A Local Organising Committee (LOC) will be set up to coordinate the various activities leading up to the
  conference. To ensure greater involvement of the stakeholders, a newsletter will be sent to all the
  social workers' associations to keep them informed and ask them to nominate 4 members per
  association to join the LCO. This Committee will have a coordination staff and four commissions:
  scientific, organisation, finance and mobilisation.
- Letters requesting technical support will be sent to seniors and resource people to support the CLO and the committees that will be set up.

#### 3. Other business

- President Abib NDIAYE's candidacy for the vice-presidency of the IFSW Africa Region was examined by the bureau. A motion of support was tabled by vice-president Marie Odile MBENGUE in support of this candidacy, which aims to promote the efforts of social work professionals in the French-speaking world. The motion in support of Abib NDIAYE's candidacy was unanimously accepted by the Board members present at the meeting. To mark this support, a letter of recommendation will be sent to IFSW Africa.
- The review of the Articles of Association and by-laws was raised, emphasising the importance of the financial contribution made by the Federation's member associations. The General Secretary will be asked to make a proposal at the next meeting.

At the end of the discussions, an appointment was made for Tuesday 11 June at 8.30am for a face-to-face meeting on setting up the Local Organising Committee (LOC).

The meeting adjourned at 9.40pm.



Ngounda DIALLO, General Secretary Session secretary

