

Thank You to Ohio's Best!

**Demitra  
Turner,  
MSW,  
LSW**

**School  
Social  
Worker  
of the  
Year  
2010**

**Marianne  
Derr,  
LISW**

**Friend  
of  
School  
Social  
Work  
2010**

Why these people matter

"Demitra is a tireless advocate for children, families, teachers and anyone who needs an advocate. She serves as THE model of professionalism in the field of school social work. Demitra is truly respected and loved by her colleagues and those who have the privilege to know her. She comes with a smile and comic relief even in the face of enormous stress, and despair. Despite many personal obligations, Demitra is known to ALWAYS be available for her clients and friends with excellent insight and resources."

"Marianne worked diligently with several school districts in Delaware County to establish an AOD prevention and intervention program in the elementary schools. The program she helped to establish is family focused and with Marianne's influence and clinical skill has helped numerous families in Delaware County."

**Stay connected to OSSWA**

**Visit our website: [www.osswa.org](http://www.osswa.org)**

- **Renew your membership**
- **Watch for information about upcoming trainings**
- **Download clinical and legislative documents**
- **Purchase promotional items**

## Upcoming Events

Ohio- Kentucky Joint Conference

September 16-17, 2010

Florence, KY

Midwest School Social Work Conference 2010

October 7-9, 2010

Bloomington, MN

[www.msswa.org](http://www.msswa.org)

OSSWA Board Meeting

November 6, 2010 10 am- 3 pm

Delaware, Ohio

OSSWA Board Meeting

February 5, 2011 10 am- 3 pm

Place TBA

OSSWA Conference

March/ April 2011

Details TBA

Midwest School Social Work Conference 2011

September 28- October 1, 2011

Indianapolis, IN

[www.insswa.org](http://www.insswa.org)

**We hope to see you again soon!!!**



# 2010

## Annual Report



# OSSWA

Ohio School Social Work Association

### Purpose of OSSWA

- to advocate for the development and effective delivery of school social work services in the state of Ohio
- to establish and maintain collaborative relationships with local, state and national educational, mental health, medical, juvenile justice, and child welfare entities
- to facilitate the education and professional growth of school social workers
- to study, recommend, and support legislation pertinent to the needs of students, families, and the profession of school social work
- to promote programs, activities, and research within school systems leading to improved quality of life, enhanced learning and employment opportunities for all students

## A Message From the President

September 2010

Dear OSSWA Members,

As the second year of my term as board president comes to a close, I would like to acknowledge and thank all of our board members for their service to our organization.

The last two years have been highlighted by reform in Ohio's educational system. The board worked tirelessly to lobby for licensed pupil support personnel to provide services to address our students and families on academic barriers to learning. It is hopeful that Ohio is recognizing the child holistically when academic success is addressed. Although we have made many strides in the right direction there is still much work to be done.

All school social workers in Ohio are invited to participate in our efforts through membership, board and service with the Ohio School Social Work Association. We encourage you to share your energy and talents!

Thank you for your hard work everyday on behalf of Ohio's students, families and schools. The OSSWA board will continue to support you as we set consistently high standards for ethical practice throughout our profession.

It has been my pleasure and honor to be OSSWA's president.

Kim Oppliger, LISW-S



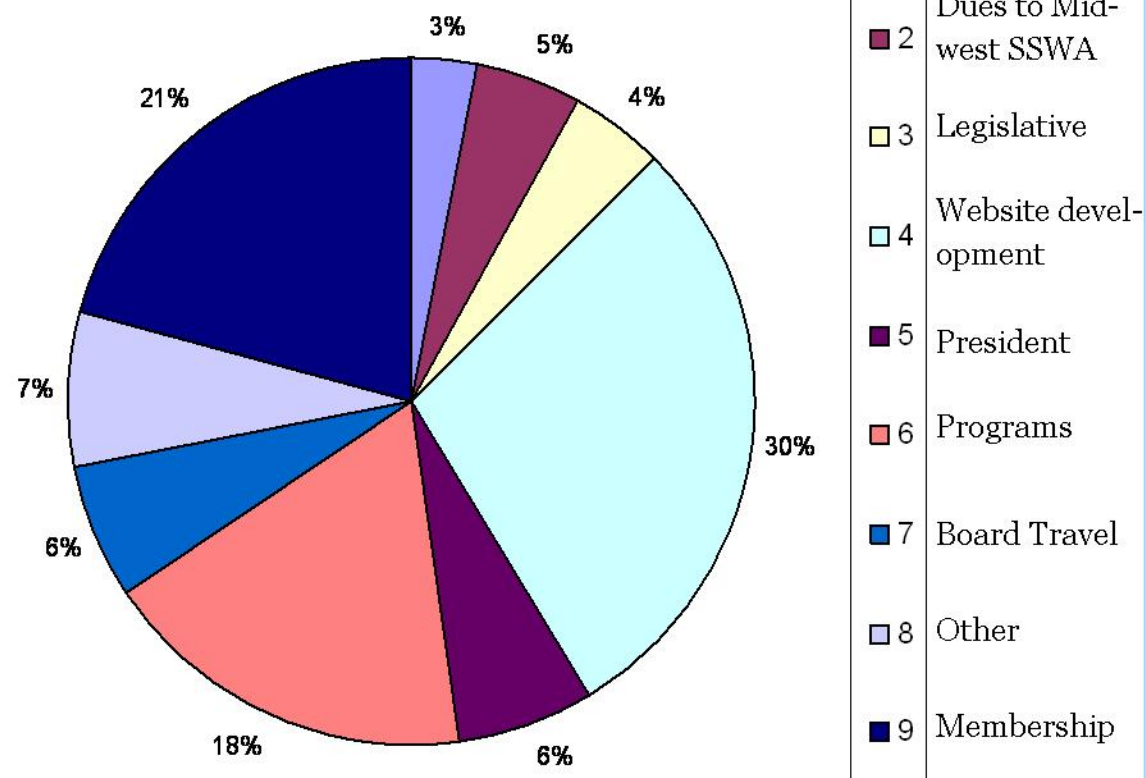
## 2010 OSSWA Board Accomplishments

- Membership increased to 53 throughout the state of Ohio.
- Functional and affordable gifts for members joining and School Social Work Week celebration.
- OSSWA became a registered non profit organization.
- Reduced paper waste through increased use of electronic documentation and online resources including a new website.
- Sold promotional items including t-shirts, lanyards, mugs and more to provide income and organization visibility in the community.
- Shared information about OSSWA with school social work students at OSU and MSASS.
- Each region conducted networking and resource sharing meetings.
- Coordinated joint SSW conference with Kentucky. Also coordinated with other states for Mid-

## Goals for 2011

- Successful OH-KY conference and Mid-West conference.
- Hold ethics training to fulfill CEU needs of licensed professionals.
- Offer CEUs at regional trainings.
- To go paperless with all forms and submissions.
- Seek out members with interest in legislation to advocate for the advancement of School Social Work.

## Expenses FY 2010



President

**Sherene Gardner, LISW-S, LSSW**

President Elect

**Nicole Stacey, MSW, ACSW, LISW**

First Vice President

**Amanda Blue, MSSA, LSW**

Treasurer

**Demitra Turner, MSW, LSW**

Recording Secretary

**Angela Mroczka, LISW-S**

Membership

**Danielle Holliman, MSSA, LISW-S**

Programs Co-Directors

**Kim Opplinger, LISW-S**

**Alyse Klupenger, MSW, LSW**

Awards

**Nikki Keeton, MSW, LISW-S**

Communication

**Rachel Gallup, MSSA, LISW**

Northeast Regional Director

**Gwendolyn Howard, MSSA, LSW**

Southeast Regional Director

**Megan Lehnert, MSW, LSW**

Central Regional Director

**Terri Kinsway, MSW, LISW-S**

Northwest Regional Director

**Jill Miller, MSSA, LSW**

Southwest Regional Director

**Rebecca Wilson, MSSA, LSW**