

**CALIFORNIA  
BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES  
FULL BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 4, 2000**  
(Approved August 25, 2000)

**HYATT REGENCY LONG BEACH  
200 SOUTH PINE AVENUE  
LONG BEACH, CA**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Selma Fields, MFT Member, Vice Chair  
Judy Brislain, LEP Member  
Marsena Buck, LCSW Member  
Christina Chen, Public Member  
Virginia Laurence, LCSW Member  
Karen Pines, MFT Member  
Howard Stein, Public Member

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Lorie Rice, Public Member, Board Chair

**STAFF PRESENT**

Sherry Mehl, Executive Officer  
Denise Johnson, Assistant Executive Officer  
Don Chang, Legal Counsel  
Kari Frank, Licensing Analyst

**GUEST LIST ON FILE**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

Roll was called and a quorum was established.

**2. CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 11126(C)(3)  
TO DELIBERATE ON DISCIPLINARY DECISIONS**

The Board reconvened to open session at 9:35 a.m.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MARSENA BUCK MOVED, JUDY BRISLAIN SECONDED, AND THE BOARD CONCURRED TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 29, 1999 MEETING MINUTES.

CHRISTINA CHEN ABSTAINED.

### **3. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

Ms. Rice was absent.

### **4. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

#### a. Budget Update

Included in the meeting materials was the latest budget projections and current Expenditure Report. Ms. Mehl reported that the Attorney General's line item had increased over the last year.

#### b. Miscellaneous Matters

Included in the meeting materials was a copy of a thank you letter to the Board from Richard S. Leslie and a thank you letter to Sherry Mehl from Geraldine Exposito, Executive Director of the California Society for Clinical Social Work.

### **6. ELECTION OF 2000 BOARD MEMBERS**

MARSENA BUCK MOVED, JUDY BRISLAIN SECONDED, AND THE BOARD CONCURRED TO NOMINATE AND ELECT SELMA FIELDS AS BOARD CHAIR.

JUDY BRISLAIN MOVED, CHRISTINA CHEN SECONDED, AND THE BOARD CONCURRED TO NOMINATE AND ELECT MARSENA BUCK AS VICE CHAIR.

### **7. STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE**

No changes were made.

### **8. APPROVE/ NOT APPROVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### a. Examination Committee

Ms. Buck provided the Board with an overview of the Committee meeting. The Committee reviewed and modified their objectives. They reviewed the examination statistics. They discussed limiting the number of times applicants could participate in the examination. They requested the audience send in additional information in regards to this. They will continue looking at this. They reviewed AASSWB's policy.

MARSENA BUCK MOVED, SELMA FIELDS SECONDED, AND THE BOARD CONCURRED TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS.

b. Licensing/Education Committee

Ms. Pines provided the Board with an overview of the Committee meeting. The Committee approved the October 28, 1999 minutes. They reviewed and modified their objectives. They rescinded the Board policy on correspondence programs. They discussed and heard from members of the audience in regards to distance learning programs. They would like more information from stakeholders and written opinions so that they can determine an acceptable policy. They discussed out of state degrees and substantial equivalence. Ms. Mehl will provide the Board with proposed changes to existing law for the Board to review at the next meeting. They decided to put off any discussions about employment settings.

SELMA FIELDS MOVED, MARSENA BUCK SECONDED, AND THE BOARD CONCURRED TO APPROVE RECOMMENDATIONS.

c. Consumer Services/Consumer Protection Committee

Ms. Fields provided the Board with an overview of the Committee meeting. The Committee reviewed and modified their objectives. They requested information be added to the next agenda on client/patient bill of rights.

MARSENA BUCK MOVED, HOWARD STEIN SECONDED, AND THE BOARD CONCURRED TO APPROVE RECOMMENDATIONS.

d. Legislation/Managed Care Committee

Ms. Brislain provided the Board with an overview of the Committee meeting. The Committee approved the October 28, 1999 minutes, reviewed and approved the proposed legislation to amend Sections 4980, 4980.03, 4980.43, 4980.44, 4980.50, 4980.80, 4980.90, 4986.70, 4992.1, and 4996.18. The Committee recommended the Board adopt Sections 4986.21, 4986.42, 4986.43, 4986.44, 4986.45, 4986.46, and 4986.47. The Committee recommended the Board repeal Section 4986.60. The Committee reviewed and modified their objectives. They removed the managed care aspect from the Committee.

JUDY BRISLAIN MOVED, MARSENA BUCK SECONDED, AND THE BOARD CONCURRED TO APPROVE RECOMMENDATIONS.

HOWARD STEIN MOVED, MARSENA BUCK SECONDED, AND THE BOARD CONCURRED THAT A REPORT BE SUBMITTED REGARDING THE STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING.

**9. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA**

The Board would like information put out there about boundary issues.

David Fox, MFT, stated that he thinks because boundaries is such an area of concern for the Board, we should require a mandatory 6 hour CEU course in legal and ethical issues.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:10 a.m.