The meeting was called to order at 10:50 a.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES


2. PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO AMEND SECTIONS 4980, 4980.03, 4980.43, 4980.44, 4980.50, 4980.80, 4980.90, 4986.70, 4992.1, 4996.18

Included in the meeting binder were the above section of Business and Professions Code. Ms. Mehl identified the recommended changes

4980- Language as currently written is misleading.

LORI RICE MOVED, HOWARD STEIN SECONDED, AND THE COMMITTEE CONCURRED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT LANGUAGE TO THE FULL BOARD.
4980.03- Defines applicant in the law.

LORI RICE MOVED, HOWARD STEIN SECONDED, AND THE COMMITTEE CONCURRED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT LANGUAGE TO THE FULL BOARD.

4980.43- These changes make it clear who needs supervision.

VIRGINIA LAURENCE MOVED, LORIE RICE SECONDED, AND THE COMMITTEE CONCURRED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT LANGUAGE TO THE FULL BOARD.

4980.44- Extensions are no longer available. You can have a second internship but may only need for employment not for gaining hours of experience. Mary Riemersma, Executive Officer of the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists, addressed the Board in regards to her concerns. Ms. Mehl agreed and suggested adding the existing language back in conjunction with new language. Staff will make necessary changes.

HOWARD STEIN MOVED, LORIE RICE SECONDED, AND THE COMMITTEE CONCURRED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT LANGUAGE TO THE FULL BOARD.

4980.50, 4992.1- This language brings our law in compliance with general provisions that require records to be kept for two years.

LORI RICE MOVED, VIRGINIA LAURENCE SECONDED, AND THE COMMITTEE CONCURRED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT LANGUAGE TO THE FULL BOARD.

4980.80, 4980.90- Legislation was passed last year to add this coursework. These sections need to be amended to include that language. It was brought to Ms. Mehl’s attention that there was a typo on subsections f, g, 6, and 7. The word “an” should be “or”.

HOWARD STEIN MOVED, LORIE RICE SECONDED, AND THE COMMITTEE CONCURRED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT LANGUAGE TO THE FULL BOARD.

4986.70- Updates the LEP law to reflect changes to the other licensees regulated by the board.

HOWARD STEIN MOVED, LORIE RICE SECONDED, AND THE COMMITTEE CONCURRED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT LANGUAGE TO THE FULL BOARD.

4996.18- Clean up language.

LORI RICE MOVED, HOWARD STEIN SECONDED, AND THE COMMITTEE CONCURRED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT LANGUAGE TO THE FULL BOARD.
3. PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO ADOPT SECTIONS 4986.21, 4986.42, 4986.43, 4986.44, 4986.45, 4986.46, 4986.47.

The laws regarding educational psychologists have not been updated to reflect the administrative changes made to MFT and LCSW laws. Ms. Mehl explained to the committee that the proposed changes included in the meeting binder updates the LEP laws to reflect changes to other licensees regulated by the board.

VIRGINIA RICE MOVED, HOWARD STEIN SECONDED, AND THE COMMITTEE CONCURRED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT LANGUAGE TO THE FULL BOARD.

3. PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO REPEAL SECTION 4986.60

This language is incorrect and needs to be removed.

LORI RICE MOVED, HOWARD STEIN SECONDED, AND THE COMMITTEE CONCURRED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT LANGUAGE TO THE FULL BOARD.

4. REVISIONS TO THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS SECTIONS 1816, 1816.6 AND 1816.7

Ms. Mehl reported that the accounting office reviewed the Board’s proposed regulations to reduce the fees to $25.00. They thought that was too drastic and wanted additional documentation. After they reviewed the additional documentation and the Board’s projections they agreed that the Board could reduce the fees to $25.00.

5. REGULATION UPDATE

Included in the meeting binder was a copy of the regulatory changes proposed for the year 2000.

6. LEGISLATION INTRODUCED THAT MAY IMPACT THE BOARD

Ms. Mehl did not have anything to report at this time. Geri Esposito, Executive Director of the California Society for Clinical Social Workers, reported about AB 416 and SB 19 both deal with confidential records and psychotherapy. Ms. Esposito stated that there appears to be some inconsistencies with the bills and will hopefully be resolved sometime this year. Jan Lee Wong, Executive Director of the National Association of Social Workers, reported that they are interested in legislation which would require clinical courses be taught in schools. Mary Riemersma, Executive Officer of the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists, reported on four bills. 1. Allow Marriage and Family Therapist Interns to treat minors without parental consent. 2. Deals with access to mental health records by patients. 3. Deals with immunity for discovery liability. 4. A bill which would allow Marriage and Family Therapists to be employed at mental hospitals. Sherry reported that SB 125 is dead.
7. STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE

The current Strategic Plan was included in the meeting binder. The committee requested the words “as appropriate” replace “necessary” in objective number 3. They requested the word “appropriate” replace “necessary” in objective number 4. The committee requested objectives number 5 and number 7 be removed. This would change the committee title to “Legislation Committee”.

THE COMMITTEE CONCURRED TO RECOMMEND ADOPTING THE STRATEGIC PLAN AS AMENDED.

The meeting adjourned at 10:25.