MEMBERS PRESENT
Karen Pines, MFT Member, Committee Chair
Virginia Laurence, LCSW Member
Howard Stein, Public Member

STAFF PRESENT
Sherry Mehl, Executive Officer
LaVonne Powell, Legal Counsel
Julie McAuliffe, Administrative Analyst

The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:05 a.m.

Ms. Mehl introduced Dr. Mark Burdick and stated that he fills the Licensed Educational Psychologist position. Dr. Burdick stated that it is a pleasure to serve on the Board and looks forward to working with the other Board members.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES


2. PROPOSED ADOPTION OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE SECTION 4996.23

Ms. Mehl explained that at the November meeting the Committee reviewed amendments to the Requirements for Associate Clinical Social Worker law and took public comment. Staff determined that it was difficult to incorporate new changes into the existing language so new language was drafted to adopt a new section of law. The draft in the meeting materials included all of the changes that were reviewed at the November meeting and incorporated the public comments and suggested changes that were received at the November meeting. Ms. Powell suggested that subsection (h) be amended to strike “or regulation”, replace “must” with
“shall, and include “in which he or she is working” to the end of the sentence. No additional changes were suggested by the public.

HOWARD STEIN MOVED, VIRGINIA LAURENCE SECONDED, AND THE COMMITTEE CONCURRED TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION.

3. CONTINUING EDUCATION AUDIT REPORT

Ms. Mehl explained that staff will begin to audit licensees for compliance of the continuing education requirement at the end of January. The Department of Consumer Affairs will provide the Board with a random list of licensees whose license expires January 31, 2001. These licensees will be required to submit documentation of completion of continuing education with their license renewal. The size of sampling will be determined by compliance. The amount of random licensees audited will depend on the amount of licensees who have complied with the continuing education requirements for a six-month auditing period. This six month sampling amount will provide the Board with information as to whether more or fewer licensees need to be audited. Ms. Mehl stated that a letter will be mailed beforehand to licensees informing them that they may be audited and the Newsletter that will be mailed the week of January 16, 2001 contains information on the auditing process. Ms. Pines asked that the letter be reviewed by the Board prior to it being mailed to licensees.

Ms. Mehl then stated that continuing education providers will also eventually be audited.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.