MEMBERS PRESENT
Mark Burdick, LEP Member, Committee Chair
Peter Manoleas, LCSW Member
Glynis Morrow, Public Member
Roberto Quiroz, Public Member

STAFF PRESENT
Sherry Mehl, Executive Officer
Mary-Alice Coleman, Legal Counsel
Julie McAuliffe, Administrative Analyst

The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:55 a.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES


2. REVIEW AND APPROVE 2002 STRATEGIC PLAN AND IDENTIFY PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Ms. Morrow questioned the authority the Board has in evaluating school performance and implement protocols for review. Ms. Mehl indicated that the Board has statutory authority to approved degree programs, regardless of accreditation or approval. She then indicated that the Committee would have to take each incident on a case by case basis to determine administratively the steps that can be taken to further educate a school who is not meeting the standards required by statute.

Ms. Mehl then indicated that once the Committee is aware of a problem, staff have informed schools of errors and have rectified the situations.
Dr. Burdick stated that the Committee is there to provide support to the schools and to address issues that may arise. He then suggested that the Committee meet with schools in Northern California. Ms. Mehl suggested January or March for a meeting in San Francisco, San Jose, or Oakland. Ms. Morrow suggested that the Committee hold a meeting with the schools from the Central Valley in Fresno or Bakersfield as well.

Mr. Quiroz asked that a subsection be added to the objective that states, “To maintain communication with all stakeholders regarding education issues”, that indicates the Committee’s request that meetings with schools be scheduled on a regular basis.

Bruce Hume, an LCSW and audience member asked if the school issues relate to both marriage and family therapy and licensed clinical social work. Ms. Mehl indicated that at this time the Committee is concentrating on the marriage and family therapy schools.

Mr. Manoleas asked that the Committee review the schools oversight of trainees.

Karen Pines asked that the issue of the schools training of students to choose appropriate sights for gaining qualified experience also be discussed by the Committee in the future.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:10 a.m.