

(Approved August 21, 2003)

**BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES
EDUCATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

APRIL 25, 2003

**CROWNE PLAZA
282 ALMADEN BLVD
SAN JOSE, CA**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mark Burdick, LEP Member, Committee Chair
Peter Manoleas, LCSW Member
Roberto Quiroz, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Glynis Morrow, Public Member

STAFF PRESENT

Sherry Mehl, Executive Officer
Kristy Schieldge, Legal Counsel
Julie McAuliffe, Administrative Analyst

GUEST LIST ON FILE

The meeting was called to order at approximately 8:45 a.m.

Ms. McAuliffe called the roll and a Committee was established.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ROBERTO QUIROZ MOVED, PETER MANOLEAS SECONDED, AND THE COMMITTEE CONCURRED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 20, 2003.

Mr. Manoleas stated that the issue of pre degree experience for Marriage and Family Therapist Interns was briefly discussed at the February meeting and he thought that the discussion would also be included in this meeting. Ms. Mehl stated that she has had preliminary discussions with professional associations and interested parties regarding the personal psychotherapy hours and they seemed to be in agreement regarding taking that out of the law. Ms. Mehl stated that staff would draft language to make this change and include it on the next Committee agenda for discussion.

2. REPORT ON THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CONSORTIUM MEETING

Dr. Burdick stated that he and Ms. Mehl attended the Northern California Consortium meeting at San Francisco State University on April 4, 2003. Consortium members expressed their concerns regarding communication among the consortium members and with the Board. Ms. Mehl notified the members of the issues of discussion within the Southern California Consortium meeting in June 2002 which included changes to the website regarding the examination statistics, changes to the annual Program Update form, and curriculum discussions. They were very interested in the piecemeal legislation regarding adding courses to the degree program. She then indicated that she thought that members of the consortium and the Board might begin to look at the curriculum next year to determine if it still accurately reflects the profession of marriage and family therapy and determine if changes are needed. Ms. Mehl stated that she informed the members that schools have very strong lobbyists and should be involved in the legislative process.

Ms. Pines stated that she had attended the recent Southern California Consortium meeting and numerous schools and agency representatives were present. Schools expressed their concerns about restrictions to their curriculum and the inability to include new approaches and topics because of the mandates. Ms. Pines stated that she suggested that representatives attend our meetings and be involved in the legislative process. She then provided them with an outline of the proposed legislative changes to the sites in which trainees gain experience toward licensure.

Mr. Manoleas asked that the Committee review and discuss the Program Update form and the Program Certification form at the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:00 a.m.