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BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS MEETING MINUTES Continuing Education Committee April 24, 2008 2525 Natomas Park Drive, Ste. 120 Sacramento, CA 95833

Committee Members
Richard Tyler, D.C., Chair
Hugh Lubkin, D.C.

Staff Present

Brian Stiger, Executive Officer LaVonne Powell, Senior Staff Counsel Genie Mitsuhara, Senior Staff Analyst

Call to Order

Dr. Tyler called the meeting to order 9:37am.

Roll Call

Dr. Lubkin called the roll. All committee members were present.

Dr. Tyler made a brief statement that the purpose of CE Committee is to discuss, teach and learn and attempt to reach a consensus on those views so that it would better serve the people of the State of California.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

November 1, 2007

DR. LUBKIN MOTION TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 1, 2007 MINUTES. DR. TYLER SECONDED THE MOTION. VOTE 2-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Proposed and Approval Process for the Continuing Education Provider

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Mr. Stiger informed the Board that the approval process of Continuing Education Providers that Bureau of State Audits found the current process inconsistent with the regulations in that Board is required to approve the provider.

Mr.Stiger recommended that there is a sentence within the regulations section 356.5, be removed so that we can satisfy the audit.

DR LUBKIN MOTIONED TO REQUEST THE STAFF PRESENT A PROPOSAL FOR THE MODIFICATION OF THAT REGULATION AND PRESENT IT AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING FOR A VOTE TO GO TO OAL AND BE IMPLEMENTED. DR TYLER SECONDED. VOTE 2-0 MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. Davis expressed his approval of the removal of the sentence in the regulations section 356.5.

Dr. Hallway of Life Chiropractic College West referred to section 365.5A that she felt needed to be addressed.

Ms. Powell clarified that the Board would need to go through the regulations.

Approval by Ratification of Formally Approved Continuing Education Providers

Dr. Tyler referred to a list of formerly approved continuing education providers.

DR LUBKIN MOTIONED THAT THE COMMITTEE AGREE TO RATIFIY THE MEMORANDUM DATED APRIL 24, 2008 REGARDING THE APPROVAL OF CONTINUE EDUCATION PROVIDERS THAT HAS SIGNITURES AFFIXED TO IT OF RICHARD TYLER, D.C. AND HUGH LUBKIN, D.C. AND THAT THIS BE BROUGHT TO THE FULL BOARD MEETING FOR AN APPROVAL O FTHE BOARD. DR. TYLER SECONED. VOTE 2-0 MOTION CARRIED.

Proposal to Increase Required Continuing Education hours form 12 to 24 hour annually

Dr. Tyler asked if anyone would discuss the increase of continuing education hours from 12 to 24.

Dr. Charles Davis international chiropractic association of California presented some statistics of other states and California is at the low end of requirements and that they are in favor of the increase of continuing education hours.

Dr. Lubkin asked the value of that a provider sees in doing the 48/50 every two years verses every year and he pointed out that this would be a proposed mortification of California code regulation 356 of the first paragraph would need to be changed.

Dr. Lubkin applauded both CCA and ICCA of the excellent presentation and the board would need to go to OAI for the change of regulation of section 356 and the course content would need to be evaluated.

Ms. Powell expressed concern with renewal forms and its structure and changing the form to reflect the change in the requirements of Continuing Education would be very difficult.

Public Comments

Dr. Davis expressed that it would be a great advantage.

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Ms. Christine Shultz of the Chiropractic Association supports an increase to 24 hours as long as twelve of those hours could be done via distance learning.

Dr. Lubkin asked legal staff if the board would have to incorporate the distance learning into the regulation have or would the Board have the discretion through staff to make the determination of what percentage would be distance learning.

Ms. Powell informed the Board would need to have a comprehensive Continuing education package for restructuring of the regulations.

Dr. Lubkin requested written information to present to the Executive Officer in regards to the Security measures.

Mr. Stiger proposed a working group to present a proposal to the committee in regards to continuing education requirements.

Ms. Powell stated that it is a one year renewal in the Initiative Act.

Public Comment

Dr. Brian Porteous would like to acknowledge the CCA and ICCA for coming up with categories and expressed his concern with the security issues of distance learning. He also brought to the attention of the Board that the radiological courses are under the illusion that these courses are approved by the Board.

Dr. Ray Weltch needed clarification that his is the only one who has been providing distance learning for the handicap people. Dr. Welch explained to the Committee his process of distance learning and that he has them sign under perjury that the have watch the seminar. They also request a written letter form there physician. Dr. Weltch apposes the increase in continuing education.

Dr. Lubkin expressed his concern with the safety of the public.

Dr. Richard Thornton needed clarification maximum hours.

Dr. Carlye Brakensiek California Society of Industrial Medicine is interested in participating in the working group.

Proposal to Approve On-line Continuing Education Courses

Mr. Stiger asked if Mr. Paul Powers was in attendance to present in front of the committee. NO

Dr. Lubkin requested that the providers that are providing on line courses to submit what their position is on how they are verifying that the doctor has participated.

Petition to Appeal the Denial of Continuing Education Course

Dr. Lubkin expressed his opinion on the approval and to comply with the current regulations.

Brian Cortus would like to acknowledge the Genie with all that she does.

Dr. Tyler concerd to the acknowledgement of Genie Mitsuhara.

Future Agenda Items

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Dr. Lubkin would like to institute a program of auditing the continuing education with a goal to come up 10% of the courses being audit.

Dr. Lubkin would like the staff to retrieve information concept fast tracking certain entities such as associations, schools and Pace providers. He would also like to add Pace as a provider.

Dr. Lubkin would like the committee review excepting other professions continuing education courses for Chiropractic doctors to receive credit.

Public Comment

Dr. Porteous needed clarification of the decision on the increase of continuing education.

Adjournment

Dr. Tyler adjourned the meeting at 10:42am

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