

MINUTES OF THE
CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE
STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL BOARD
January 29, 2003

The meeting was held on Wednesday, January 29, 2003 at the Structural Pest Control Board, 1418 Howe Avenue, Suite 18, Angela D. Newman Conference Room, Sacramento, California, commencing at 10:00 a.m. with the following members present:

Doug Carver, Chair
Dennis Patzer
Dr. Michael Rust
John Van Hooser
Bill Gillespie

Board staff present:

Kelli Okuma, Registrar
Susan Saylor, Assistant Registrar
Karen Sanders, Staff Services Analyst

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Van Hooser moved and Mr. Gillespie seconded to approve the minutes of the meeting of December 5, 2002. Passed unanimously.

DEVELOP UNIFORM CONTINUING EDUCATION STANDARDS

Mr. Gillespie moved and Dr. Rust seconded to change the following items from the minutes of December 5, 2002, to direct staff to develop language, in its place of having the Board directing the Rules and Regulations Committee to develop language. The items referred to are:

- 1) Amend section 1950.5 to require all activities that provide technical or rules and regulations continuing education hours (including in-house training seminars) to include an examination.
- 2) Develop language in order to comply with FIFRA requirements as it pertains to re-certification of licensees in regards to Pesticide Use and Worker Health and Safety requirements.
- 3) Amend section 1953 pertaining to the minimum number of questions for examinations administered at the end of any group activities as follows:

10 questions per 1 hour of instruction

40 questions minimum for any activity of instruction of 4 hours or more per seminar

Passed unanimously.

Mr. Gillespie moved and Mr. Patzer seconded to direct staff to review the License Renewal Notices to contain clear information on the continuing education hour renewal requirements and clearly identify what happens if the licensee fails to comply with the continuing education requirements.

Passed unanimously.

Staff was directed to prepare supplemental listing regarding acceptable Adult Education courses, as they relate to section 1950.5(b). The listing could be posted on the website or as handouts which could be included with new licenses and/or license renew notices.

Dr. Rust moved and Mr. Gillespie seconded amended section 1950.5(d) as follows:

(d) Technical seminars or meetings - up to a maximum of 6 hours per seminar or meeting. ~~Additional hours may be approved depending on the complexity of the activity and its relevance to new developments in the field of pest control.*~~ Each approved technical seminar or meeting must include an written examination to be administered at the end of the course. Licensees must obtain a passing score of 70% or better in order to obtain a certificate of course completion. If the examination is failed, the licensee shall be allowed to be reexamined by taking a different examination within sixty days.

~~*Highlighted amendment was made at the October 24, 2002 meeting.~~

Passed unanimously.

Mr. Van Hooser moved and Dr. Rust seconded to amend section 1950.5(f) as follows:

(f) Correspondence courses developed by the Board pursuant to Section 8565.5 of the code – full credit per branch. The passing examination grade must be 70% or better for technical or rules and regulations subjects.

Passed by majority. (Aye – Van Hooser, Rust and Carver. No – Patzer and Gillespie.)

Mr. Gillespie moved and Dr. Rust seconded to require that all non-group activities require a written examination be administered at the end of the course.

Motion did not pass. (Aye – Gillespie. No – Rust, Van Hooser, Carver, Patzer)

Dr. Rust moved and Mr. Patzer seconded that all examination questions administered be either true and false, multiple choice, fill in, or combination thereof.

Passed unanimously.

Mr. Patzer moved and Dr. Rust seconded to delete section 1950.5(h) as follows:

~~(h) Equivalent activities, including teaching approved courses and publishing technical articles— 1 to 6 hours per activity, depending on the complexity of the activity and its relevance to new developments in the field of pest control.~~

Passed by majority. (Aye – Patzer, Rust, Gillespie and Carver. No – Van Hooser).

Mr. Patzer moved and Mr. Gillespie seconded to amend section 1950.5(j) as follows:

(j) Structural Pest Control Board meetings - 2 hours per meeting, up to a maximum of 4 ~~6~~ hours per renewal period (excluding Board Members.)

Passed unanimously.

Dr. Rust moved and Mr. Patzer seconded to amend section 1950.5(l) as follows:

(l) In-house training in technical subjects - 1 hour per hour of instruction, to a maximum of 6 hours per day.

Passed by majority. (Aye – Patzer, Carver, Rust and Gillespie. No – Van Hooser.)

Mr. Patzer moved and Dr. Rust seconded to amend section 1951 as follows:

In lieu of continuing education, a licensee ~~licensed operator or field representative~~ may qualify for renewal by taking and passing an examination designed by the Board to cover developments in the field of pest control. A licensee ~~Licensed operators or field representatives~~ who chooses this method of qualifying for renewal may take this examination only once, and must take the examination no earlier than one year prior to their license expiration date. A score of 70% shall be considered a passing grade on this examination.

Passed unanimously.

The committee requested that staff revise language for Section 1953(a) and provide at next committee meeting.

The committee requested that staff prepare a handout defining syllabus as used in Section 1953(3) as follows:

(3) Composed of a formal program of learning which requires attendance and participation, and which provides at least one hour of instruction, a syllabus, an evaluation method on Form No. 43M-38 (NEW 5/87) (which is printed at the end of this section), a certificate of completion on Form No. 43M-39 (NEW 5/87) (which is printed at the end of this section); and,

The next meeting is schedule for February 19, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. in Sacramento.

At the next committee meeting the committee will continue to review Mr. Gillespie's new handout entitled "Revision of Continuing Education Regulations."

Mr. Carver adjourned the meeting at 2:26 p.m.

DOUG CARVER, Chairman

Date

KELLI OKUMA, Registrar