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Preventative Enforcement Committee Meeting Minutes Wednesday, July 22, 2009 San Francisco, CA

Members Present:

Fran Burton, Public Member Judith Forsythe, RDA Huong Le, DDS Suzanne McCormick, DDS Bruce Whitcher, DDS

Members Absent:

Thomas Olinger, DDS, Chair William Baker, Public Member

Staff Present:

Cathleen Poncabare, Executive Officer Richard DeCuir, Assistant Executive Officer Dawn Dill, Licensing & Exam Unit Manager Sarah Wallace, Administrative Analyst Donna Kantner, Legislative & Regulatory Analyst Jocelyn Campos, Enforcement Coordinator Jessica Olney, Examination & Licensing Analyst LaVonne Powell, DCA Senior Staff Counsel Kristy Schieldge, DCA Senior Staff Counsel Gregory Salute, Deputy Attorney General

Dr. McCormick called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m. and established a quorum.

PENF 1: Dental School Outreach

Dr. McCormick welcomed everyone to the Preventative Enforcement Committee and explained that the purpose of the committee is to utilize the outreach method to educate license holders and dental students in an attempt to prevent possible disciplinary issues, and to protect the public.

Gregory Salute, Deputy Attorney General, reported that he and a member of the Board's enforcement staff have been invited to speak to second year students at UCLA Dental School for the last three years. They present information about the functions of the Board, the mission of the Department of Consumer Affairs and the Dental Board, explain the enforcement and complaint process, and talk about common problems that are encountered. This forum provides an opportunity to answer student questions. Mr. Salute informed the Board that there has been positive feedback to the visits and would be happy to visit the other dental schools. Cathleen Poncabare, Executive Officer, asked for a Board member to attend the dental school visits as well. Dr. Whitcher suggested speaking at the membership meetings of the dental component societies.

PENF 2: License Holder Outreach; DBC Web Page

Dr. McCormick requested that staff provide information regarding the number of visitors the Dental Board website receives and what parts of the website receive the most traffic.

<u>Public Comment</u> LaDonna Drury-Klein, California Association of Dental Assisting Teachers, invited the Board to attend its annual meeting April 23-24, 2010 in Irvine, California to promote outreach to the dental assistants.

<u>Adjournment</u> The meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.