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.
Public Comment
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.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.