



**Teleconference Meeting of the Dental Board of California  
Meeting Minutes  
Monday, December 12, 2011**

**Members Present:**

Bruce Whitcher, DDS, President  
Huong Le, DDS, Vice President  
Fran Burton, Public Member, Secretary  
John Bettinger, DDS  
Stephen Casagrande, DDS  
Luis Dominicus, DDS  
Rebecca Downing, Public Member  
Suzanne McCormick, DDS  
Steven Morrow, DDS  
Thomas Olinger, DDS

**Members Absent:**

Steven Afriat, Public Member  
Judith Forsythe, RDA

**Staff Present:**

Richard DeCuir, Executive Officer  
Kristy Shellans, DCA Senior Staff Counsel  
Karen Fischer, Associate Analyst

**TELECONFERENCE LOCATIONS WITH PUBLIC ACCESS:**

**Dental Board of California Offices:**

2005 Evergreen Street, Suite 1550, Sacramento, CA 95815  
333 S. Anita Drive, Suite 930, Orange, CA 92780

**Other Locations:**

555 Ralph Appezato Parkway, Building A, Rm 209, Alameda, CA 94501  
4107 Magnolia Blvd., Burbank, CA 91505  
8202 Florence Avenue, Suite 101, Downey, CA 90240  
355 Santa Fe Drive, Encinitas, CA 92024  
8375 University Avenue, La Mesa, CA 91941  
1428 Oak Street, Paso Robles, CA 92446  
1304 15th Street, Suite 100, Santa Monica, CA 90404

President Bruce Whitcher, DDS called the meeting to order at 12:36 pm. Secretary Fran Burton called the roll and established a quorum.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public attended this teleconference at any of the "Noticed" locations.

The Board immediately went into closed session. Mr. DeCuir and Ms. Fischer left the meeting.

**CLOSED SESSION** Consideration of Continued Employment of the Executive Officer and Appointment of Interim Executive Officer pursuant to Government Code sections 11126(a)(1).

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION TO ANNOUNCE THE RESULTS OF CLOSED SESSION:**

Dr. Witcher, Board President, reconvened the meeting at 1:33 pm and announced that the Board accepted Richard DeCuir's resignation as Executive Officer due to retirement, effective December 29, 2011. Additionally the Board appointed him as "interim" Executive Officer, effective December 30, 2011 and until such time as a new Executive Officer is hired. Staff was directed to work with legal counsel to assist in preparation of a statement for the Department of Personnel Administration to support the appointment.

Rebecca Downing, public member, stated for the record that the Board recognizes Richard's service and value to the Board, extends the Board's continued goodwill, and expresses its sincere appreciation for his willingness to continue to accept the interim appointment.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no additional public comment.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Witcher, Board President adjourned the meeting at 1:35 pm.