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**October 16, 2008 Examination Committee Meeting Minutes****1. Roll Call to Establish a Quorum and Public Forum**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:25 a.m. and a quorum established. Present: Rebecca Sterbentz, Chair; Thomas Spittler, Vice-Chair; Kenneth Schmidt; William Black, Board Member Representative and Dr. Donn Ristau. The following Examination Committee Members were absent: Thomas Barry; Dr. Thomas Kelty and Laura Cathcart-Dodge.

**2. Approval of Minutes from August 7, 2008 Examination Committee (EC) Meeting**

The EC approved the minutes of the August 7, 2008 EC meeting.

**3. Board Staff Report**

Staff reported on the October 2008 examinations in Southern California. EC was provided pre-examination stats as well as attendance information.

EC Action: The EC recommends to the Board that a letter of appreciation is provided to Dr. Kelty for all of his hard work and dedication in assisting staff with securing California State Long Beach (CSLB) for three years of Southern California examination cycles.

EC Action: The EC request staff to provide the EC with statistics of applicants that fail one or more portions of an examination pass and fail rates.

Staff reported on the October 10, 2008 Board meeting. Staff provided EC with the Board agenda and staff prepared EC report to the Board. Staff recommends that the EC Chair or a designated EC member prepare a written EC report and be represented at all Board meetings.

EC Action: The EC will prepare an EC report for all Board meetings. If the EC Chair is unable to attend a meeting, Bill Black will represent the EC.

**4. Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code §11126(c)(1)**

The EC met in closed session for 2009 examination development.

**5. Open Session to Announce Results of Closed Session**

Chair Sterbentz reported that the EC had made progress on the Spring 2009 examinations and has outlined agenda items for the next meeting

**6. Adjourn**

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Rebecca Sterbentz, Committee Chair  
Date Approved: November 14, 2008