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APPROVED MINUTES OF THE
VERMONT BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
APRIL 13, 2011 MEETING

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Present: Edward Pantzar, Chair, John Lavoie, Raymond McCandless, Richard Dickinson, Gertrude Hodge, Katherine Silloway, John Langfeldt, and Dixie Vallie; Absent: Joanne Bugbee, Jennie Reed and Randall Miller; Office of Professional Regulation Personnel: Larry Novins, Carla Preston, Peter Comart, and Diane Lafaille; Others: Center for Technology, Essex, Dental Assistant Program students and Beth Ladd.

1.　　　　The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.

2.　　　　The minutes of the March 9, 2011 meeting were approved as written.

3.　　　　Hearings/Stipulations/Closing Reports/Case Manager's Report:

　　　　　Carla Preston, Case Manager, gave the Board a report on its pending cases. She stated that there are currently 31 cases opened: 8 are ready for Investigative Team Meetings, 3 are in in-take, 3 hearings have been scheduled, 14 are currently under investigation, 2 cases have been charged and 1 closing is pending.

4.　　　　Old Business

　　　A.　　　Christopher Schultz submitted additional information for a request for continuing education credit for a course on Mini Dental Implants for Overdentures as well as restoring Traditional Dental implants. The Board appreciates the additional information, but still denies his request for continuing education credit as the course does not meet the criteria as outlined in Board rule 4.13(c). Approved.

5.　　　　New Business

　　　A.　　　Dr. Pantzar reported that he has contacted a few states regarding their positions on lasers and ownership of dental businesses. He will gather additional information and update the board.

　　　B.　　　Mr. Comart was asked about the survey he recently submitted to all board members regarding the feasibility of developing a program for impaired professionals. He stated that he was just gathering information at this time. The Board asked if he could look into how the Vermont Medical Practice Board has implemented this and report back to them.

6.　　　　The Board adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Lafaille