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Action may be taken on any item listed on the agenda. Please note that all times indicated and the order of business are approximate and subject to change.

Executive Officer
Antonette Sorrick

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AGENDA

Open Session:

1. Call to Order/ Roll Call (J. Neidich/T. Candela)
2. President's Welcome (J. Neidich)
3. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes July 30-31, 2009 (J. Neidich)
4. Sunset Review 2011 (L. Zuniga)

5. Committee Reports

a. Legislative Committee Update (T. Scott)

State Legislation

SB 250 (Florez) – Dogs and Cats; Spaying and Neutering (position)

SB 389 (Negrete McLeod) – Retroactive Fingerprint Submission

SB 638 (Negrete McLeod) – Sunset Review Process

Federal Legislation

H.R. 734 (Rep. Towns, Edolphus – NY-10) – Pedestrian Safety Enhancement Act of 2009

H.R. 3266 (Rep. Klein, Ron – FL-22) – Wounded Warrior K-9 Corps. (position)

S. 1495 (Sen. Franken, Al – MN) – Service Dogs for Veterans Act of 2009 (position)

b. Outreach and Education Committee Update (J. Neidich, T. Candela) Web site Update

Assistance Dog Day

Stakeholder Meet and Greet/Events Update

6. Practice Task Force Update – Ongoing Review of Statutes and Regulations (A. Sorrick)

7. Legal Opinion (Business and Profession Code Section 7209.5 & 7210) regarding license requirement for persons instructing blind persons in the use of guide dogs.

8. Adoption of Strategic Plan (J. Neidich)

9. Executive Officer's Report (A. Sorrick)

Budget Report

Inspection Update

Examination Update

DCA Report

10. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

11. Meeting Calendar and Location

12. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

13. Adjournment

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