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**Minutes of the February 21, 2019**  
**Education and Examination Committee**

**Wednesday, February 21, 2019**

**9:08 a.m.**

Pursuant to 4717.03(A) of the Revised Code, the State of Ohio Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors convened in Room South A, of the Vern Riffe Center for Government and Arts, 77 South High Street to discuss continuing education.

Jon W. Rettig, Sr.; Jill R. Pugh; Edward C. Nurre, Jr. Marcella Boyd-Cox; Bill Wappner

Also present was David A. Ingram, Esq., Executive Director, Danny Finrock

Stakeholder Melissa Sullivan, Ohio Funeral Directors Association was present at the meeting.

Mrs. Pugh called the meeting into order and Mr. Ingram took roll call for the committee.

**9:09 a.m.**

Mr. Ingram reviewed the meeting agenda for the committee.

**9:10 a.m.**

The committee reviewed the minutes from the January 23, 2019 Education and Examination Committee meeting. Ed Nurre moved to approve the minutes from the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Pugh. The motion carried 3/0 with an abstention by Ms. Boyd-Cox.

**9:11 a.m.**

The committee reviewed the continuing education programs submitted for approval. Mrs. Pugh raised concern about a continuing education program focusing on cultural competence. Mr. Finrock provided Mrs. Pugh a syllabus of the program to review. The committee also expressed concerns regarding awarding credit for a business meeting. A continuing education provider on the agenda was seeking credit for a business meeting. Mr. Nurre was concerned with the content provided at this particular meeting. The committee requested that Mr. Finrock obtain some additional content from the provider in order to make a decision about the course.

**9:25 a.m.**

The committee confirmed that attendance at a board meeting constitutes one hour of continuing education.

**9:56 a.m.**

The committee reviewed the continuing education programs submitted by provider, Balin and Associates. The provider submitted six individual courses for approval. The committee reviewed the course materials and discussed the content provided. The committee approved the course Undress the Stress and denied credit for courses Shame and Guilt and Forgiveness. The committee denied the six-hour request and awarded two hours for the following courses: Anatomy of Prejudice and Who Ruffles Your Feathers. The committee concluded its review of the programs by denying a course from another provider on palliative care.



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**9:57 a.m.**

Jill Pugh moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rettig. Motion carried 4/0.

**9:57 a.m.**

Meeting adjourned