



Colorado Coroners Association

Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 21, 2021 ~ 1:00 p.m.

Call Meeting To Order – Randy Keller

1:05 p.m.

Randy Keller, President; Rob Glassmire, Vice President; Brian Cotter, Secretary; Victor Yahn, Treasurer; Liz Ortiz, Matt Reid, Emily Russell, MD, Lance Boren, Jeff Graf, Vonnie Valdez, jen vien,

Excused Absent – Stephen Hunzeker, Thomas Canfield, MD

Guests – Sarah Mudge, Steve Balcerovich

Legislative Report – Steve Balcerovich, (Handout)

Steve introduced himself to the new Board Members.

Legislature is on recess until Feb 16. Social distancing and COVID protocols will be in place.

Use Webex platform to join the online meetings.

Blue Rising - wants to strengthen and increase reporting on marijuana use. If manner of death indicates marijuana, coroners would have to report.

Dr. Russell – please clarify what “accident” means

Randy Keller – in some instances, it will mean more cost for coroners to test and subsequently report which leads to concerns for unfunded mandates.

Randy Keller asked Dr. Russell to send out her concerns so everyone may review them.

Major Coroner Issues – Randy Keller (ongoing)

Nothing major right now

Randy is pleased to report that Shannon Kent has been deemed up to date through 2020 (with extension granted)

Sarah Mudge – Lake County Commissioner. Trying to support Shannon and get him up to date. Sarah Mudge engaged some of the Board asking for assistance on supporting and assisting Shannon Kent.

Secretary’s Report – Brian Cotter (Handout)

Review Minutes from October 6, 2020

Motion to accept Minutes from October meeting. Brian Cotter motions that the Minutes be accepted as presented.

Second by Matt Reid. Accepted unanimously.

Treasurer’s Report – Victor Yahn (Handout)

Matt Reid motions to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented. Second by Rob Glassmire.

Motion accepted unanimously.

Dues Update – jen vien

2021 Dues Notices were mailed on December 7, 2020

Boulder County was the first one to pay this year

Payments have been received from:

Chaffee, Cheyenne, Deborah Johnson, Dolores, Dan Marion, Fremont, Grand, Jefferson, Larimer, Las Animas, Lincoln, Logan, Mesa, Mineral, Morgan, Otero, Pueblo, Rio Blanco, Routt, San Juan, San Miguel, Sedgwick, Tom Griffin, Washington have paid.

Discussions regarding Lake and Park Counties.

Park has been approached on several occasions asking for them to join. Randy Keller will contact again.

New Business – Randy Keller

By-Laws and Policy Update – Randy Keller (Ongoing)

Randy Keller, Matt Reid, Emily Russell have been reviewing and will get a finalized review/up to date Bylaws at next meeting.

Should they be reviewed for legal purposes?

Perhaps once we have a finalized document, we can run it past an attorney.

General Membership Meeting and Election of Board Members –

Randy Keller; Thomas Canfield, MD; Lance Boren; Matt Reid; Elizabeth Ortiz; Vonnie Valdez

Certification – jen vien

160 active certified death investigators

Coroner Assist Team – Randy Keller

Education – jen vien (Meeting venues)

2021

June – Hotel Elegante'

October – DoubleTree Grand Junction

2022

June – Sheraton Denver West

October – DoubleTree Grand Junction

CCSTB – Randy Keller

Gave background information on how/why CCA is taking care of CCSTB Admin duties

Peer Review Committee – Randy Keller

Schedule a date – Monday, January 25 at 11:00 a.m.

Marketing & Promotions – Matt Reid

New clothing has been ordered. Will be including women's sizes as well as men's

Public Relations – Randy Keller

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Website – jen vien

New website is up and running. Experiencing some issues, still getting used to new format

Scholarships – jen vien

Ike Miller Scholarship due to be awarded this year, for \$2,500 – (Handout of description and application)

4 Regular Scholarships to be awarded this year (2 carrying over from 2020)

This will be handled by the Scholarship Committee and Rob Glassmire

Update on previous Executive Session – Randy Keller

Randy Keller has emailed an attorney. No response.

Peer Review Session – Randy Keller

Session scheduled for Monday, January 25

Next Board Meeting – Randy Keller

Thursday, April 15, 2021 ~ 1:00 p.m.

Adjourn

227 p.m.