



**Colorado Coroners Association
Board Meeting Agenda**

Wednesday, July 29, 2020 ~ 11:00 a.m.
Teleconference

(Call-In Number 712.770.5505 access code:383755)

Call Meeting to Order:

1107 a.m.

Randy Keller, President; Rob Glassmire, Vice President; Brian Cotter, Secretary; Victor Yahn, Treasurer; Randy Gorton; Brenda Bock; Dr. Thomas Canfield; Matt Reid; Dr. Michael Burson; Dr. Emily Russell; Jeff Graf; Stephen Hunzeker; Kathleen Oatis; Steven Balcerovich; jen vien

Legislative Report:

(Handout)

Steve Balcerovich – status of 2020 Legislature:
Shorter period but more Bills addressed
2021 Legislature will begin on January 13, 2021

Major Legislation:

Repeal of Death Penalty – supported by DEMs and REPs
Police Reform Bill – strong bipartisan support
Paid sick leave for all – Dems for, Reps against

Review Bills of CCA Interest:

HB 1051 Identification of Veterans remains – signed by Governor
HB1060 Natural organic reduction of human remains - postponed
HB-1085 Substance abuse -Vetod by Governor on July 2
HB 1148 Offenses committed against a dead human body – signed by Governor April 2

HB 1397 Eliminate CDPHE involvement in certain Boards signed by Governor June 30. Contract will be absorbed by 3rd party

Randy Keller – Last meeting on 7/16 Eileen Brown completed her duties.

CCA has been contacted to take over duties with a contract. Email on 7/29 from financial end of contract shows there is approximately \$53,000 for contract. Everyone leaning towards CCA, but we need to follow up and get a contract for the CCA Board to review. CCA will write a purchase order for any expenses due to regulations. Submit for reimbursement. Nothing official as to how much and when the admin person will get paid. May involve another meeting.

Minor autopsy reports – collected signatures but ran out of time due to RESTAT. This will be reevaluated next year. There are 38 co-sponsors, so we are going in the right direction

Class 1 training – was never reintroduced after RESTAT.

Cultural Sensitivity was dropped due to RESTAT and protests.

November 2020 Election Outlook:

20 new Legislatures 7 Senate 13 House. Anticipate Democrats will remain in control of both Senate and House.

October 2020 Conference

Decision needs to be made 7/29/2020

Education Committee ideas

Provide October Conference as a live-stream event. Rent a room and have speakers physically present or presenting from their location.

Discussion. Many people do not want to be in a room with a lot of people. Live streaming could be the solution. Cut back the cost and stream the conference via Webex or Zoom.

ABMDI requires that we keep track of people and attention/attendance.

Concerns that small counties would not be able to access the internet or have sketchy service. Some coroners would not have the ability to follow or participate in an online program.

Discussion

Motion to cancel October event altogether. Second. Motion accepted by 10 members, rejected by 2 members.

October Conference is officially cancelled.

Major Coroner Issues: (ONGOING)

Secretary's Report:

Review Minutes from April 22 Meeting (**Hand out**)

Motion to approved as presented. Second. Motion accepted unanimously. Minutes accepted.

Treasurer's Report:

(Handout)

Ike Miller - \$9,121.77

General Fund - \$40,837.90

Education - \$54,454.00

Savings - \$76,710.76

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report as presented.

Randy Gorton asked for total of all accounts - \$181,124.43

Second. Accepted unanimously.

Dues Update

Randy Keller suggests that W-9 go to jen vien address.

Brenda Bock suggests goes to jen

Randy Gorton suggests goes to jen

All agree W-9 has jen's address

Randy Keller will call Shannon Kent and see if he is going to pay dues or not. Board Members encouraged Randy Keller to contact Shannon Kent.

New Coroner Institute:

Old Business:

New Business:

Randy Keller

- Update on State Fatality Management Plan
Weekly meetings and planning
Randy is not involved as much as he used to be. Most meetings last 5-10 minutes. No real strong concerns or updates.

- Dr. Russell – declaring a missing person as dead
Dr. Canfield – has had to depend on the courts to determine the death.
Dr. Russell was asked by CBI if CCA had resources as to how to proceed with this. Just needs information to point people in the right direction.
Randy Keller called CDPHE and EDR as to how to handle. When can families get a death certificate. CDPHE told him it would take about 5 years.

Dr. Russell - Just asking where to tell families they can go.

Brian Cotter – court “usually” takes about 7 years. There is no coroner involvement.

Brenda Bock had a turnaround in about a year.

Dr. Russell – are there any written standards anywhere?
No one knows of any.

By-Laws Update

Randy Keller would like to review with some other Board Members.

Will send out in an email for review – **(ONGOING)**

Policies Update (ONGOING)

Change the By-Laws to follow the Election of Executive Board

Election of Board Members

Randy Keller – we need to determine an election process. How do we handle our General Membership Meeting? Live Stream?

Rob Glassmire will assume the responsibility of the General Membership Meeting and Election of Board Members. He will handle Zoom or online meeting and coordinate with individuals involved. Looking at Wednesday, October 7 mid-day (1400 hrs) to live-stream General Membership meeting.

Standing Committee Reports

Certification:

Jen Vien

2020 Stats

- 1st Quarter: 3 “New”; 8 “Re-new”
- 2nd Quarter: 6 “New”; 3 “Re-New”
- 3rd Quarter” 1 “New”;

We have 169 “known” active Certified Death Investigators

Coroner Assist Team

Education

Brenda Bock; Randy Keller; Matt Reid; Emily Russell, MD; jen vien

Katherine Ramsland was refunded \$652.21

On July 8, Bethany Fax (ABMDI) informed us she would not be attending and/or proctoring a test for us.

Lauren Regucci our FBI Special Agent presenting on the Kreisler Mansion Murders would like us to pay her airfare and hotel room. Airfare from Jacksonville, FL to DEN is appx \$700. Cancel Lauren Regucci.

Speaker Expenses so far:

Katherine Ramsland – reimburse for airline ticket \$612.40 and travel insurance - \$39.81

Refund mailed and received week of May 11, 2020.

Cancellation confirmation from Sheraton Denver West
Have not received one yet from Ridgeline Hotel (Estes Park) due to furlough

Only 7 cancellations for June that do not want to carry over to October

Currently have 42 registrations, not counting Board and speakers

Must make 2021 location selections

- June 9, 10, 11 – Hotel Elegante
- October 6, 7, 8 –
Motion for Hotel Elegante in June and DoubleTree in Grand Junction October. Second. Accepted unanimously.
Jen will try to lower expenses.

Would like to make 2022 location selections. Postponed until October Board Meeting

- June 8, 9, 10
- October 5, 6, 7

June 2022 –

- ❖ Sheraton Lakewood has increased their room rate from \$109 to \$149++
- ❖ Radisson Denver/Aurora offering rooms for \$129 plus \$2 destination fee per night

October 2022

- ❖ Brand new DoubleTree in Greeley is offering rooms at \$139++
- ❖ Courtyard Grand Junction is available in 2022 and 2023. They are offering rooms at \$99 per night++ and will charge us \$500 per day for the meeting space.

CCSTB

Update on contract and transition

Peer Review

Will review a few complaints that have been received.

Marketing & Promotions

Update on merchandise and Vendor Sponsorships
Nothing to report due to October 2020 being cancelled

Public Relations

Website

Migration meeting July 29 4pm

Scholarships

Scholarship applications from:

Annette Cannon – Jeffco (new dates)

Michael Barnes – Gunnison (old dates)

Marilynn Manzutto – Jeffco (new dates) – resigned from Jefferson
County Coroners Office

Keep these names on record, and forward them to June 2021

Update on previous Executive Session

Peer Review Session

Next Board Meeting

October 6, 2020 11:00 a.m. Online

October 7, 2020 2:00 pm General Meeting

Adjourn: 1:15 p.m.