



## Minutes

The Board of Directors meeting of the Colorado Coroners Association was held on June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by President Bob Bux.

### Review of Agenda

After a discussion a motion by Pat Allen, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stephen was adopted unanimously as follows: "The minutes of the previous meeting be changed to correct the spelling of coroner in the Coroner Assist Section."

The treasurer's report was accepted and filed for audit. After a discussion a motion by Pat Allen, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Crocket was adopted unanimously as follows: "We will make an increase in fees equivalent to the service fee we are charged for members who want to use their credit cards to pay dues and class registrations. We will offer a discount for those who pay with cash or by check. This will be a constantly changing amount."

### Public Comment:

There was no public Comment.

### Standing Committee Reports:

**Education Committee:** Chris Herndon reported that there are 149 people registered for June Conference this year, the most ever. There were 14 scholarship recipients; 13 for the class, 10 for rooms. There will be no Outreach Class this fall because of the elections and the busy schedules. The CCSTB has asked us to do a 24 hour "MLDI" (Medical Legal Death Investigation) class that they want all new coroners to attend. We will be having 2 of them, one in the spring and one in the fall of 2011.

**Coroner Assist Team:** Darrel Brenner reported that he and his committee have been meeting and contacting Coroners to gather information.

**Certification Committee:** Brenda Bock reported that she and her committee have been working to revamp the certification and re-certification application. Brenda reported she had been sending out our "Code of Ethics" with all applications for certification and recertification but she gets very few of them back. After a discussion a motion by Pat Allen, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Stogsdill was adopted unanimously as follows: "We will notify all elected or appointed Coroners that to be a member of CCA they must sign the "Code of Ethics" and that any deputy coroner or investigator who is associated with the office and applies for certification shall read and sign the "Code of Ethics" also."



**CCSTB:** Brenda Bock reported that she had attended the last CCSTB meeting which was held by a conference call. Randy Amettis, Chaffee County Coroner had been selected by the Governor to fill the position vacated by Mike Rogers. Brenda and Darrel have been trying to work with the CCSTB on the interpretations of the Statute, but so far things have stalled.

The 40 hour New Coroner Course put on by the CCSTB will be December 12 – December 17, 2010 in Castle Rock. When the first class was done by them in 2007 CCA had given them \$1,000 per new coroner. Brenda has been asked by the CCSTB President if CCA was going to do that again. After discussion a motion by Bob Fowler, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Crocket was adopted unanimously as follows: “We do not give CCSTB any money for their 40 hour class because we are doing the 24 hour classes at their request.”

**Legislative Committee:** Bob Bux gave a report about the bills that had passed this year. Peg Ackerman will be at the general meeting with more information. Sandy and Chris will be attending a meeting at the State Health Department on June 28<sup>th</sup> along with representatives from the Registrars, County Clerks and the Sheriff’s.

**Outside Committees:** No new information

**Ike Miller:** The Ike Miller Scholarship was awarded to Jennifer Nestor, the coroner from Lincoln County.

**Marketing:** Mike and Sandy are all set up for business tomorrow. They also have gotten all the give a ways together.

**PR and Website:** Brenda reported that the website has been receiving a lot of daily hits, many people are going there for more information.

### **Unfinished Business:**

**Invite to participate in the Colorado Hospitals Mass Fatality Summit:** Chris Herndon reported that there were 20 coroner’s and deputy coroners in attendance and that it had been very successful in opening dialog between coroner’s and hospitals.

**Legislation for next year:** Bob Bux stated that he would like to see 2 new bills this year; the first one would require all coroner ordered autopsies to be done by a forensic pathologist, the second one would spell out which cases should always be autopsied based on the recommendations from NAME. After discussion a motion by Sandy Graeff, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brenda Bock was adopted unanimously as follows: The legislative committee will work with Peg Ackerman on these 2 bills.

### **New Business:**

**Money for CCSTB:** Was already covered in the CCSTB committee section.



**Attorney:** We need to get with the attorney about our By-laws. It was decided that whoever was the President after the elections tomorrow would handle this.

**Elections:** Chris reported that she had received letters from 7 people to run for election to the Board of Directors.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

/s/

Chris Herndon, Secretary

The next Board of Directors meeting will be October 9<sup>th</sup> in Kremling at 1:00 p.m. Brenda will find a place to meet and let everyone know where.

Board Members present:

Robert Bux, President  
Chris Herndon, Secretary  
Mike Graeff  
Stephen Lance  
Pat Allen  
Bob Fowler

Brenda Bock, Vick-President  
Steve Stogsdill, Treasurer  
George Crockett  
Sandy Graeff  
Art Nordyke  
Darrel Brenner