



Colorado Coroners Association General Membership Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 18, 2014 Hilton Hotel, Fort Collins, Colorado

The General Membership meeting of the Colorado Coroners Association was held on June 18, 2014 in Fort Collins, Colorado. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 1723 by President Patrick Allen, MD.

Meeting adjourned at 1817.

Discuss	Conclusion/Recommendation	Action	Status								
Previous Meeting Minutes	The minutes of the previous meeting, June 5, 2013, Colorado Springs, Colorado, were reviewed by the membership. Motion to accept by Don Heer, 2nd by Rick Fellabaum. Minutes were approved by General Membership with show of hands.	None	Closed								
Secretary's Report	There was no secretary report.	None	Closed								
Treasurer's Report	Mike Graeff reported that the CCA is in good financial shape with the following balances: <table style="margin-left: 40px; border: none;"> <tr> <td>Chase Savings</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 97,642.12</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Chase Checking</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 60,744.39</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Chase Ike Miller</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 8,195.93 (reflect \$1,000 donation)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$166,582.44</td> </tr> </table>	Chase Savings	\$ 97,642.12	Chase Checking	\$ 60,744.39	Chase Ike Miller	\$ 8,195.93 (reflect \$1,000 donation)	Total	\$166,582.44	None	Closed
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	Our CPA, Linda Holdridge, worked on reestablishing the "lost" 501(c)(3). With a new 501(c)(4) we are again tax exempt.	None	Closed								

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	Dr. Allen commented that the Association is in good financial shape with our funds being used primarily for education, and secondly for legislation.	None	Closed
Public Comment	No public comment.	None	Closed

Standing Committee Reports

Education	The primary goal of CCA is education for Coroners.		
	Fall 3 day training will be at the Holiday Inn, Frisco, Colorado, October 29, 30, 31, 2014.	None	Closed
	June 2015 Conference locations discussed (Doubletree Stapleton, Doubletree Colorado Springs). After vote of hands, majority selected Doubletree Colorado Springs. Conference will be held June 3-5, 2015. We looked at a number of venues, with cost accounting in mind and the goal is to come as close as possible to break even.	None	Closed
Coroner Assist Team	Randy Gorton reported that no requests for Coroner Assist Team this past year. Mark Ward is working on a project to incorporate Coroner Assist Team with Emergency Services Agency (ESA) at the request of Colorado Coroners. More information to come.	None	Closed
Legislative	Lora Thomas introduced the CCA lobbyists (Steve Balcerovich and Kathy Oatis) to the members. They were able to postpone the second reading of the proposed salary bill. It was explained by the Lobbyist, Lora Thomas and Bob Fowler, that the salary bill was not in favor of rural Coroner's and in addition, salaries are not a favored topic during election years. Bob Fowler sat on the Salary Commission Board and Explained how salaries work and that the Commission decided salaries would be reviewed every two (2) years. There will be no raise this coming January (2015) for any elected officials. Zane Laubhan discussed House Bill 11-86: Fees for Medical Records. Coroner's do not have to pay the fee for decedent's medical records. Exemption is listed on 30-10-606	None	Closed

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	Also discussed was House Bill 14-1380, Colorado Coroners		

Standards and Training. The current Chairperson is a sheriff, CCA would like a Coroner. The current training requirement has been raised from 16 hours to 20 hours. The bill also requires that Coroners have documentation of training available for Public viewing. Stated requirements for Deputy Coroners can vary. The requirements set forth by this bill support CCA Training.

Jimmy Brown asked how the increase in hours came about and it was explained by Dr. Allen that it was a decision made by and a duty of the Board. Jimmy also asked if any/additional hours could be carried forward, and Dr. Allen said it was an interesting suggestion and that he (PCA) would look into it. Dr. Allen further stated that the increase in hours demonstrates that we (CCA) are demonstrating to the public and to Legislators that we take our education requirements seriously.

Certification	There are, in Colorado, currently: 135 Certified Death Investigators (41 who are Coroners). Anyone with questions can call/contact Brenda Bock for more information.	None	Closed
Finance	Nothing reported. Contact Mike and/or Sandy Graeff with questions or comments.	None	Closed
Website	Call Brenda Bock or Jenny Howe if there is anything you want to see or add to the website.	None	Closed
Marketing	Mike Graeff reported good sales. Let he or Sandy know if you need anything.	None	Closed
Peer Review	No complaints were filed this past year.	None	Closed
Ike Miller	George Crocket stated the Ike Miller scholarship was awarded to Marshall Flick, San Miguel County Deputy Coroner for the June, 2014 Conference.	None	Closed

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Scholarships	George Crocket reported four (4) CCA Scholarships were awarded for the June, 2014 Conference and only	None	Closed

three (3) were used. Audra Keith (Pitkin; unused); Dani Paszek (Fremont); Matt Reid (El Paso); Regan Wood (Summit)

Outside Committees	Dr. Canfield reported that the CCSTB will consider and/or decide if the Colorado Department of Health will provide New Coroner Training.	None	Closed
Old Business:	There was no old business.	None	Closed
Election of CCA Board	There were six 2-year terms and one 1-year term (vacant position) open. Six Board Members are running for the 2-year terms: Dr. Patrick Allen (Larimer); Brenda Bock (Grand); Randy Gorton (Kit Carson); Mike Graeff (Elbert); Mark Ward (Weld); Dr. Thomas Canfield (Montrose); Vacant position/1-year term: Regan Wood (Summit); All were elected with a white ballot vote.	New Board Elected	Closed

Motion to adjourn by Lora Thomas, 2nd by Emil Santi.

General Membership Members present:

CCA Board; Don Allen, Zane Laubhan, Colleen Hollenbeck, Cheryl Kraich, Don Heer, Emil Sante, Dr. Dennis Jeldon, Randy Amettis, Rob Ryg, Bob Fowler, James Kramer, Kara Bettis, Carlette Brocious, Kevin Lucy, Frank Vader, Emma Hall, Sue Kern, Jennifer Nestor, Tom Perrin, Karen Tomky, Joe Giodone, Dr. Robert Bux, Jimmy Brown

Recorded by Jenny Howe
CCA Executive Secretary