

Montana Coroner Association

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Type: Board of Directors

Called to Order on Date/Time: 01-17-24/1703

Location: Zoom

Roll Call:

Past President: VACANT

President: Andy Lebrun-P

Vice President: Jessie Jette-P

Treasurer: Jace Dicken-P

Secretary: Steve Holton-P

District 1: Dick Sine-P

District 2: Dan Whitted-P

District 3: Dick Brown-A

District 4: Tom Boyer-P

District 5: Beker Cuelho-A

District 6: Trenton Harbaugh-A

Guests: Kayla Wallace - DOJ

Sheriff/Coroner Leo Dutton - Lewis and Clark County

President Andy Lebrun called the meeting to order at 1703 hours. Roll was taken by Zoom. Quorum was present.

Old Business: Tom made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Jace. Unanimous approval.

-Jace provided the Treasurer's report; FIB=\$38,538.50.

MS=\$55,514.14 Total Balance=\$94,052.65

Training Committee Report:

Sunday= 4 hours from Crime Lab/ME

Monday=Fatal Fire Investigations

Tuesday= Case Studies to be determined for 2 hours. Dick Sine will contact the FBI for potential case presentations. Could have 2 hours of Coroner Inquest facilitation by a County Attorney. Steve will contact Ravalli County Attorney Bill

Fulbright to see if he's available to instruct. Also, could ask Dr. Kemp for a couple of hours of instruction on medical terminology.

-Jase and Steve will finish menu selections with Billings Hotel and Convention Center for conference.

-Jase will supply wristbands for conference attendees instead of name tags this year.

-Tom secured MCA baseball caps for potential sale at the conference. Idea for conference attendees to have the opportunity to purchase/order MCA apparel at the conference for future delivery.

-The board directed Jase and Tom to purchase swag for conference attendees up to \$1000.

New Business: Kayla explained upcoming DOJ/NIJ work for presentation. Will work with Missoula County Coroner for production.

-Andy discussed POST and continuing education requirements.

Decision Items: Approved POST Joint Coroner Memo with the addition of language to add Coroner Inquests to training approval. Motion by Steve, Jessie 2nd. Unanimous approval.

Discussion Not On the Agenda: Dick Sine brought discussion regarding the lack of ability for ImageTrend to populate death certificates. Kayla stated that DOJ is in the process of identifying a new software vender that will integrate with death certificates.

-Andy gave an update on Basic Coroner training. The March class at MLEA has been cancelled due to lack of registrations. Gallatin County will be hosting a POST approved Basic Coroner class in April or May. Discussion was had regarding POST's role in hosting Basic Coroner classes. General consensus was that POST is responsible for hosting basic certification courses.

-Meeting Adjourned at 1820 hours

Next Meeting: April 17th, 2024 via Zoom Steve will send invitations.

Respectfully Submitted By: Steve Holton