

MINUTES
July 20, 2010 TELECONFERENCE
1400 West Washington, Basement Conference Room B-1

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reverend Shindel, President
Samuel Bueler, Member
Phyllis Rowe, Member
James Ahearne, Member

TELECONFERENCE: John Munden, Secretary

MEMBERS ABSENT: Martin Crist, Member
Monsignor O'Keeffe, Member

STAFF PRESENT: Rodolfo Thomas, Executive Director
Alex Estrada, Licensing Administrator
Patricia Keith, Program & Project Specialist

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:
Keely Versteegen, Asst. Attorney General

CALL TO ORDER

Reverend Shindel called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

I. MINUTES

James Ahearne moved to approve the minutes of June 15, 2010.

Sam Bueler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. (5-0).

II. LICENSING

By motion and second, and motion carrying, the following actions occurred relative to applications for licensure subject to the conditions noted:

NAME	TYPE OF LICENSE	ACTION	MOTION BY	SECOND BY
Rachel E. Musgrove*	Embalmer	Approved 5-0	Bueler	Rowe
Albert Lee, Jr*	Embalmer Assistant	Approved 5-0	Ahearne	Bueler
Patricia J. Twitchell*	Intern	Approved 5-0	Ahearne	Rowe
Kelly L. Fitzpatrick*	Intern	Approved 5-0	Rowe	Bueler
Funeraria Del Angel*	Endorsement	Approved 5-0	Ahearne	Bueler
Ronald J. Taskey, Sr*	Salesperson	Approved 5-0	Rowe	Ahearne
Dana Schmanke*	Salesperson	Approved 5-0	Ahearne	Bueler

*Rachel E. Musgrove appeared before the Board.

*Albert Lee, Jr. did not attend the Board meeting.

*Patricia J. Twitchell did not attend the Board meeting.

* Kelly L. Fitzpatrick appeared before the Board.

* Andrew Gonzales RFD for Funeraria Del Angel did not attend the Board meeting.

* Ronald Taskey, Sr. did not attend the Board meeting.

*Dana Schmanke appeared before the Board.

III. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Garland Shreves owner of Research for Life and Samaritan Funeral Home and John Cover Interim Executive Director of the American Medical Education and Research Association (AMERA) spoke to the Board relative to the concern expressed in the 2010 annual news letter and the incident of forty heads discovered in Arkansas. Both were very satisfied with the information and advised the Board of a new association with the potential to provide accreditation and standards to non-clinical donor organizations. The Board was invited to attend their first conference to be held October 1, 2010.

IV. GENERAL

Executive Director Thomas informed the Board of an incident at the Southwest Airlines Cargo facility whereby forty heads were discovered by employees. FAA officials were notified and the Medical Examiner of Pulaski County implemented an investigation to determine if the specimens were illegally harvested and if proper authorization existed. Executive Thomas was subsequently contacted by directors of numerous will-body organizations for assistance in this matter. Executive Thomas contacted Steve Gore CEO and owner of Biological Resources Center who was responsible for several of the specimens in question. Garland Camper Medical Examiner of Pulaski County was notified and

communications was made between both parties. It was discovered that the boxes of which contained the specimens had been improperly labeled by the transportation company. No Federal or State charges were being sought and all necessary and proper documentation was in place. The concern for public health was maintained through proper screening and provided by Biological Resources Center. As a result what could have had negative impact in Arizona and the industry was stymied. This incident should serve as an example to remind establishments who utilized independent donor organizations to be cognizant of their operations to avoid civil litigation. Under the Anatomical Gift Act those organizations that fall into this category are fully immune against civil litigation. Funeral Establishments are not protected.

V. ADJOURN

There being no other business, Ahearne moved to adjourn at 9:30 a.m. Phyllis Rowe seconded the motion (5-0).

2010 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

JANUARY 19, 2010	MAY 18, 2010	SEPTEMBER 21, 2010
FEBRUARY 16, 2010	JUNE 15, 2010	OCTOBER 19, 2010
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Rodolfo Thomas
Executive Director

APPROVED BY:

Reverend Shindel, President

Phyllis Rowe, Member

James Ahearne, Member

Samuel Bueler, Member

John Munden, Member