

Idaho Association of County Coroner Meeting
Moscow, ID
Coroner Minutes 9 September 2014

Present:

Erwin Sonnenberg	Ada County
Pam Garlock	Boise County
Kit Rose	Bonner County
Duayne Sims	Caribou County
Vicki Armbruster	Custer County
Steve Spence	Gooding County
Cody Funke	Idaho County
Bill Spencer	Idaho County
Deb Wilkey	Kootenai County
Ruth	Kootenai County
Waren Keene	Kootenai County
Debby Carscallen	Latah County
Cathy Mabbutt	Latah County
Rod Piller	Lewis County
Robert Pratt	Lewis County
Gary Gilliam	Nez Perce County
Dennis Chambers	Twin Falls County
Nathan Hess	Valley County

Robert West MD Guest Kootenai County Dr West gave everyone a signed copy of his book; ***“It Can And Does Happen Here”***. He will distribute books to all other coroners as well.

Meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by President Gary Gilliam

There was no quorum for the Board Meeting

Budget was given to all present for review. Dennis moved to approve the budget, Erwin seconded. Motion carried.

Minutes from the February 3, 2014 meeting were provided to all present: corrections spelling of Pam Garlock’s name add Chris Merrill to attendance. Rod moved to approve the minutes with the following corrections (1) correct spelling name (2) add Chris Merrill to the attendance roster; Dennis seconded. Motion carried.

Correspondence “Coroner talk” community podcast and website. A free training and community being built around coroners and death investigators. May be something worth looking into for training.

Pam made a motion for Kit Rose to fill the Vice president position, Duayne seconded. Motion carried. Robert recommended Cody Funke for District 2 Representative.

Pam motioned due to the upcoming elections and the number of new Coroners taking office in January we set aside the rules to hold elections in September and hold remaining elections at the February 2015

meeting Kit seconded all I's. Motion passed. New Coroners will be Ada, Bear Lake, Butte, Clearwater, Franklin, Idaho, Kootenai, Lemhi, Lewis, and Twin Falls

Discussion on IAC and Legislative Board members Dennis Chambers is the IAC Board member, with Pamela Garlock as the alternate and Erwin Sonnenburg is the Legislative Board member with John Buck as the alternate. With the elections Erwin and Dennis will both be leaving so these positions will need to be filled.

Discussion from Board to get out a copy of Coroner's protocols and by-laws to everyone.

Education Committee

Duayne Sims talked about Mills Alder award to Dennis Chambers each association chooses 1 recipient and the Coroners was awarded to Dennis Chambers.

Dr Davis was looking for powerpoint on what a Coroner does. Is there a library Coroner can draw on for questions that may arise. Maybe starting a web site to tie into for protocols

Erwin will look into and see what he can do to get a powerpoint done to say Idaho Association of Counties, and if we do trainings in the area can be added to the website.

Mike Parks- magic valley was wondering about a certificate because he attended the last meeting he also wanted us to considered inviting morticians if they want to come too as it may help develop better relationship with them.

Erwin- Ada County had paid for the last two years for every Coroner in Idaho to have MDIlog, most of WA is using or going on it- MDIlog is a web based program so it can be accessed anywhere there is a computer and internet access. MDIlog to have an administrator 1 person statewide to oversee, right now this is Erwin. Is it protected with the highest protection. Each County Coroner can give someone else access to consolation cases. If the individual is unidentified for over 30 days a pop up with a reminder do you want to add to NamUs. If whole state is on it, can set up with vital stats so you can upload for them will be able to get county stats. Erwin talked about how run assist in MDIlog can help with stats for Legislation; able to search for just about anything. Erwin thought the cost to counties is based off of population, but was not positive and will have to check. Dennis checked to see if we can use training money for yearly fees, Dan Chadwick said not able to, but Erwin may be able to use for training on how to use the program.

Kit talked about Governor Child death review and how it works.

Dennis stated that the chair of training committee should be the Vice President. We have talked about having training for Deputy Coroners separate from the Coroner's meetings and moving the trainings to different districts, with Coroners within that district being be responsible for the training.

Vicky spoke about having the training in Custer County.

Kit will have the agenda ready before the February meeting to everyone.

Deb Highway Safety would like some time at Fall meeting.

Vicki was wondering if Coroner association could purchase a laptop and projector for meetings. After further discussion it was decided most conference facilities should provide these items. Vicki also wanted to thank Erwin and Dennis for serving for so many years and Bob from Lewis County for all he has done.

Erwin - we need to start utilizing prior coroners. Their expertise could provide excellent training.

Vicki - presented plaque to Gary Gilliam for his service on the Coroner's Board.

Motion was made by Gary to pay bill of \$190 to Duayne for a gift purchased for Dr. Murphy. Kit seconded all I's. Motion carried

Erwin motioned for Coroner Association to donate \$1000.00 to the IAC Scholarship. Cathy seconded. 1 Nay, all rest I's. Motion passed.

Erwin wanted to thank everyone, he has enjoyed working with everyone and looks forward to helping out when needed.

Kit motion to adjourn the meeting at 1610. Dennis seconded. Motion carried

Minutes prepared by Pamela Garlock, Boise County Coroner

Minutes approved by: Vicki Armbruster
Custer County Coroner
Vice President Idaho Association County Coroners