



**Idaho State Association of County Coroners
Board & Education Joint Meeting Minutes**
Best Western Coeur d'Alene Inn | September 13, 2021

Board Members Present

Lucky Bourn, Minidoka County, President
Craig Rinehart, Cassia County, Secretary/Treasurer
Dotti Owens, Ada County, Past President (Virtual)
Warren Keene, Kootenai County, District 1 Rep

Perry Larson, Lewis County, District 2 Rep
Mark Rose, Power County, District 5 Rep
Mike Ernest, Lemhi County Coroner, District 6 Rep
John Buck, Gem County, At Large

Board Members Absent

Tara Parsons, Butte County, Vice President
Sue Warner, Adams County, District 3 Rep

Gene Turley, Twin Falls County, District 4 Rep

Others Present

Kelli Brassfield, IAC Policy Analyst

I. ISACC Midwinter Conference

The 2022 ISACC Midwinter Conference is scheduled to take place at the Riverside Hotel in Boise, Idaho from February 3-4. Potential topics include:

- Photography: the last speaker was too advanced. We can purchase cameras through a grant (we would need to apply as an association.) Those that want one need to let Dotti know.
- Aquatic death and homicidal drowning - use Ryan? Mark will look into this.
- Funeral home directors and coroner panel (John Buck will look into this.)
- Do a bones exercise (need to be a fall topic). Dotti will share a syllabus for this.
- ISP crime detectives to talk about investigations. Make sure they are still willing to work with us by not taking over the scene. Coroners need to be able to do their jobs.
- Airplane crashes or mass casualty. Possibly use an outside speaker or use the coroners that have experience with these topics.
- CDC grant to have IAC&ME members train coroner associations on opioid and other drug overdoses.
- Provide notice to change the bylaws to include changing the officers to Secretary/Treasurer, 2nd Vice President, 1st Vice President, and President.
- Grants: who wants to be accredited through IAC&ME? The grant will pay for the fees. Apply as an association or region. In the same grant, you could add in the camera information. It will be easier to apply for one grant versus two. It will make the accounting easier. Will there be NAME and IAC&ME cross accreditation? No, but if it is accredited you will be covered. There are sample policy manuals to use. There is also a state manual that can help.

II. ISACC Election of Officers

There are some concerns about those who are supposed to be moving up through the chairs. The board members want the association to be as successful as possible and want to have the full commitment of those on the board and part of the executive committee. Being an officer is a big time commitment. One of the board members suggested that we change the officers to: Secretary/Treasurer, 2nd Vice President, 1st Vice President, and President. There are currently no nominations for the open Secretary/Treasurer position. The full membership will take up elections at their business meeting.

III. FY2022 ISACC Budget

Bourn reviewed the budget with the board. One member asked why IAC's contract amount was the same as last year. Brassfield indicated that she would talk to IAC staff to find out more information.

Keene moved to approve the FY2022 Budget, Owens seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. FY2022 Legislation

Owens indicated that the State Fire Association is interested in sponsoring legislation making coroners first responders. Owens has been working with IAC on legislation to change the timeframe on how long coroners have to keep bodies. This will allow moving/releasing bodies sooner. There is also a proposal about the property of the decedent.

V. Adjourn

Ernest moved to adjourn the meeting, Keene seconded. Motion carried unanimously.