

Minutes of the February 8,2014 Meeting

Meeting called to order: Dr. Todd Thoma

**Financial Report:**

Dr. Teri B. O'Neal, Discussed the checking account being moved to Capital One Bank. Discussion of CD to be moved to checking account at maturity. Maturity date 4-24-2014.

501 C Application in progress.

Capital One Checking Account \$126,166.97

Evangeline Bank CD \$10,261.25

Evangeline Bank Savings \$6,758.42

Keith Butler motion to accept, Victor Tedesco 2<sup>nd</sup>-Motion approved

**Business:**

Discussed the Louisiana State Coroner's Web Site-[www.LouisianaSCA.org](http://www.LouisianaSCA.org)

Any suggestions or information to be posted on the web-site send to Erin at Caddo Parish Coroner's Office.

Coroner's Highway Crash Report is available on the web-site and can be sent directly to the state.

Password Coroner2900

Minutes for Coroners meeting will be posted on web-site.

**Approval of Reimbursement:**

Reimbursement requested for Dr. Todd Thoma , for out of pocket expenses \$3,482.00  
Dr. William "Beau" Clark Motion to accept, Dr. L.J. Mayeaux 2<sup>nd</sup>- Motion approved

**Articles of Incorporation:** Dr. Todd Thoma & Dr. Teri B. O'Neal discussed the Louisiana State Coroners Association becoming a Corporation, needing a 501 C 4 Letter for the checking account to become tax exempt and non-profit.

**Review of New Bylaws:**

Discussed bylaws – Correct a typo Article 4 Section 4

Consideration of censure of a member, with no discussion at this time and no action.

Consideration of a Board of Directors, left for future discussion.

Discussion of the use of media to criticize other coroner's offices, especially financial matters.

Complements to the history of Dr. Falterman

Yancy Guerin motion to accept, Don Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> – Motion approved

**Presentation of proposed legislative changes:**

Roy Provost suggested the Louisiana State Coroner's Association needs a legal counsel.

Discussion favorable to have legal counsel. Will seek proposal for William Chuck Credo and Bill Bradley.

Discussed legislative changes had to be in by February 28<sup>th</sup> 2014.

Discussed to amend 1357.13 #5 & #7

1357.15

RS14:30 B1 Add Coroner, Deputy Coroner & Coroner Investigator

1495 Include Coroner Investigator

2353.1 Add: Coroner or his designee shall make reasonable search of that person.

Chet Gregory motion to accept, L.J. Mayeaux 2<sup>nd</sup> - Motion approved

**Discussion of Housing Louisiana State Coroner's Association:**

Will be at East Baton Rouge Coroner's Office. Have all mail sent to that office, mail will then be sent to proper location. The purchase of a cell phone and filing cabinet. The East Baton Rouge Coroner's Office will have someone answer the phone during working hours. This proposal will be presented in the fall meeting.

Discussion by Dr. William "Beau" Clark to do PEC's, OPC's & CEC's electronic ----- web based application thru DHH.

**Reimbursement Legislation:**

Keith Butler started a discussion on changing autopsy fees in the legislation to eliminate caps on fees that are out dated. Submitted to legislative committee.

Discussion on Cross Jurisdictional OPC's . Submitted to legislative committee.

Discussion for residency to be in jurisdiction if resident physician runs. Practice based physician can not run.

**Other Business:**

Fall meeting will not have CME's this year 2014 for the fall meeting.

Reimburse Teri B. O'Neal \$390.95 for letter head, envelopes & Opening account at Capital One Bank.

Keith Butler motion to accept, Warren Degatur.2<sup>nd</sup> – Motion approved

Dr. Thoma – Adjourned the meeting @ 15:25

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Teri B. O'Neal, MD.

Secretary / Treasurer

IN ATTENDANCE FEBRUARY 8<sup>th</sup> 2014

Acadia - Alan Breaux	St. Charles – Barry Minnich
Assumption-Dr. Keith Landry	St. James – Dr. Randall Poche'
Avoyelles- Dr. L. J. Mayeaux	St. John – Dr. Christy Montegut
Avoyelles – Roseada Mayeaux	St. Landry – Myra Pavich
Bienville – Don Smith	St. Martin – Dr. Warren Degatur
Bossier – Dr. John Chandler	St. Mary – Dr. F. H. Metz
Caddo – Dr. Todd Thoma	St. Mary – Fred Roy
Desoto – Dr. Jeffery Evans	Tensas – Keith Butler
East Baton Rouge – Dr. William Clark	Terrebonne – Dr. Victor Tedesco
Evangeline – Dr. Charles Fontenot	Terrebonne – Danny Theriot
Franklin – Dr. Joel Eldridge	Washington – Donna Adams
Iberia – Dr. Carl Ditch	West Baton Rouge – Stacy Hubert
Iberville – Dr. James Grace	West Baton Rouge – Yancy Guerin
Lafayette – Keith Talano	West Feliciana – Jim Groody
Lincoln – Dr. Mike Belue	
Livingston – Joe Harrell	
Ouachita - Dr. Teri B. O'Neal	
Ouachita – Warren Lee	
Ouachita – Joy Davis	
Ouachita – Billie Lee	
Plaquemine – Dr. Lawrence Giambelluca	
Plaquemine – John Marie	
Sabine – Dr. Chet Gregory	
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