

Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation

Open Minutes

Illinois Funeral Directors and Embalmers Licensing Board

Date: June 6, 2023
Convened: 11:09 am
Adjourned: 12:23 pm
Location: Springfield/Chicago/WEBEX

Members Present: Timothy Ruestman, Chair
Terry Plummer, Member
Charles Hanley, Member
Elizabeth Rizzo, Public Member
Mariella Trevino, Member
Karen Scott, Member

ORIGINAL
6-11-24
APPROVAL DATE

Member(s) Absent: Bryan Crain, Member

Staff Present: James Koehl, DPR Board Liaison
Ricky Breen, DPR General Counsel

Guests Present: None

Open Session: The Meeting was called to order at 11:09 am.
Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

I. Review of Open Minutes The Board reviewed the open minutes of the June 21, 2022, meeting. Motion was made, seconded (Ruestman/Plummer) to accept the open minutes. Motion passed. The Board reviewed the open minutes of the February 28, 2023, meeting. Motion was made, seconded (Ruestman/Plummer) to accept the open minutes. Motion passed

II. Old Business Interns applying for 034s, ball dragging win getting licenses processed, no body at IDFPR taking it seriously, 3 interns at 32 weeks waiting to get licensed. Information getting lost. What are Director Abundis and Secretary Treto doing about it? Funeral homes working with skeletal staff, waiting for licenses to be issued/renewed. Need to get processing rolling to get 034 licenses issued. Mr. Koehl explained the licensing process to the Board.

III. New Business Pass/fail rate of mortuary school students was discussed. Prosecutions working well. Election of Board Chair moved/seconded (Hanley/Plummer) to nominate and elect Tim Ruestman as Board Chair. Motion passed unanimously.

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IV. Moved into Closed Session:

Motion was made, seconded (Plummer/Rizzo) to move to closed session. Motion passed. Moved to closed session at 11:56am

A. Review of Closed Minutes

Motion was made, seconded (Plummer/Ruestman) to accept closed minutes of The Board reviewed the closed minutes of the February 28, 2023, meeting.

B. The Board reviewed 2 deliberations and made recommendations.

Motion made, seconded (Ruestman/Plummer) session and move to Open Session. Motion passed. The Board Chair adjourned the Closed Session and moved the meeting back into Open Session at 12:19 pm.

V. Moved back into Open Session:

Motion was made, seconded (Plummer/Rizzo) to accept the recommendations made on the in closed session. Motion passed.

Motion was made, seconded (Plummer/Ruestman) to keep closed meeting minutes closed. Motion passed.

Motion was made, seconded (Rizzo/Plummer) to authorize the Board Chair to sign on behalf of the Board for the deliberations and/or applications discussed during closed session. Motion passed.

VI. Adjournment

Motion/Seconded (Plummer/Trevino) to adjourn meeting. The Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:23 pm.

