

**THE NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF MORTUARY SCIENCE
124 HALSEY STREET, NEWARK NJ, 07101
HUDSON ROOM, 6TH FLOOR
9:30 A.M., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2007
<http://www.state.nj.us/lps/ca/nonmed.htm#mort7>**

OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Marius R. Lombardi President (Government Member)
Richard J. Galante, Secretary
Martin Goldstein, Esq.
Bernard Horwitz, Esq., (Public Member)
William C. Mc Criskin
Philip Scheps (Public Member)
Louis J. Stellato Jr, Ph.D
Frederick R. Whiteley III

ABSENT

Thomas C. Brown
Edith C. Churchman, Ph.D., CFSP
Fanny Jaramillo (Public Member)
Curtis S. Macysyn (Public Member)

ALSO ATTENDING

William Mandeville, Executive Director
Jodi Krugman, Deputy Attorney General
Sabrina Tabron, Administrative Assistant
Cynthia Khalil, Principal Clerk Transcriber
Jonathan Eisenmenger, Assistant to the Executive Director

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Mandeville reported that the number of complaints received in January are 11 and the total for 2007 are 13.

Mr. Mandeville reported that the next regular Board meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, March 6, 2007 in the Hudson Conference Room, 6th floor.

INTERN REGISTRATIONS

Laurie A Zaharuk, Costello-Greiner Funeral Home
Kemberly Martinez , Bergen Funeral Service
Allison Boi, Vander Plaat Memorial Home
Kurt Don Larsen, Volk Leber Funeral Home

This was for the Board's information only.

NEW LICENSEES

Mark Dankiewicz Licensed by Examination
James Dunsavage Licensed by Examination
Shena S. Grant Licensed by Examination
Nicholas Pernice Licensed by Examination
Donna Saglimbeni Licensed by Examination
Dean W. Sulpy Licensed by Examination
Kathy S. Turner Licensed by Examination
Christopher D. Vieira Licensed by Examination

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NEW INSTALLATIONS

Gomez and Kiernan Funeral Home, Bellville, Mgr., Joseph Karpinski

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CONTINUING EDUCATION

A) Jewish Funeral Director of America: Florence Pressman

- 1) The Written Torah-V- The Oral Torah -3/6/07 3Hrs.
- 2) Shipping: An Integral Part of the Funeral Arrangement-3/6/07 2Hrs.

B) Batesville Casket Company, Inc. : Deb St. Pierre

- 1) Creating Dynamic Customer Service in your Funeral Home- 2/28/ 3/1/07 3Hrs.

C) Funeral Celebrants: Glenda Stansbury

- 1) Funeral Celebrant Training 2007- 3/23– 10/26/07 1.5 Hrs.

D) Epsilon Nu Delta Mortuary Fraternity, Inc: Edith Churchman

- 1) Serving Families in Diverse Cultures -2/17/07 1Hr.
- 2) Treatments for Edema- 2/17/07 1Hr.
- 3) Hair Restoration- 2/17/07 1Hr.
- 4) Maintaining Embalming Quality In a Trade House -2/16/07 1Hr.

E) Bergen County Funeral Director's Association: Ginny Sanzo

- 1) Avian Influnza -2/7/07 1Hr.

F) Selected Independent Funeral Homes: James Fruehling

- 1) 2007 Under Forty Seminar 9.5 hrs.

G) National Funeral Directors Association: Shari

- 1) Dover Air Force Base: Military Benefits/Entitlements & Mass Fatalities Teleconference-2/27/07 2Hrs.
- 2) FTC Update Teleconference 5/10/07 2Hrs.
- 3) EPA Update Teleconference-6/7/07 1Hr.
- 4) HR for the New Generation Employee Teleconference -7/26/07 2Hrs.
- 5) Preneed Management-Web based-3/22/07 2Hrs.
- 6) Advance Directives-Web based -4/19/07 1Hr
- 7) Cremation Arrangements-Web based -5/24/07 2Hrs.
- 8) OSHA Web Seminar-Web based-6/28/07 2Hrs.
- 9) Cremation Due Diligence-Web based-8/28/07 2hrs.

The Committee reported that section C) Funeral Celebrants, number 1 was approved for 1.5 hours only, section F) Selected Independent Funeral Homes, number 1 was not approved, the board requested additional information.

On motion made by Mr. McCriskin, seconded by Mr. Stellato, the Board voted to accept the committee report as read. All vote in favor of the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE

Joseph Dominick Oliveira, provided an outline of the National Academy of Mortuary Science, which is an online program that he would like to take in order to become a Certified Mortuary Technician. The Board determined that the National Academy of Mortuary Science is not a school that is approved by the American Board of Funeral Service Education and to advise Mr. Oliveria if he is studying to become a Mort Tech it is not a profession that is regulated by this Board.

On January 9, 2007, the 212th Legislature produced the current version of Senate # 2473, which is sponsored by Senator Ronald Rice. On motion made by Mr. Stellato, seconded by Mr. Whiteley, the Board voted to support this legislation because it gives the ability to pay their debts and garnish their wages. All voted in favor of the motion.

On January 9, 2007, the 212th Legislature produced the current version of Assembly # 3899 , which is sponsored by Assemblywoman Amy Handlin. On motion made by Mr. Stellato, seconded by Mr. Whiteley, the Board opposes the legislation because of the burden of time restraints. The Board suggests extending the deadline to forty-five (45) days. All voted in favor of the motion.

OPEN DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

05-35 Robert Hunter Jr., South Plainfield, Uniform Penalty letter for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:36-11.12(a) and N.J.A.C. 13:36-11.12© for \$2,700.00 was paid on January 7, 2007. This was for the Board's information only. Mr. McCriskin recused.

06-135 Chadwick Memorial Home, Riverside, Uniform Penalty letter for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:36-5.1 (a) and N.J.A.C. 13:36-9.7 (d) (4), for \$850.00. Partial payment of \$350.00 and a letter for the Board's consideration was received on December 21, 2006. On motion made by Mr. Whiteley, seconded by Mr. Stellato, the Board determined to uphold the uniform penalty letter and advise to remove the urns off the Outer Burial Container Price List. All voted in favor of the motion.

#06-138 Berschler & Shenberg Funeral Chapel, Pennsauken, Uniform Penalty letter for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:36-1.9 submitted a letter for the Board's consideration. The revised forms were provided. On motion made by Mr. Stellato, seconded by Mr. Whiteley, the Board determined to uphold the uniform penalty letter. All voted in favor of the motion.

HAND OUT

Ryan Zale requesting to extend his internship for three (3) months. On motion made by Mr. McCriskin, seconded by Mr. Goldstein, the Board voted to extend his internship for three (3) months. All voted in favor of the motion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - 10:35 A.M. On motion made by Mr. Whiteley, seconded by Mr. Galante, the Board determined to go into executive session to discuss consumer complaints and/or conduct investigative inquiries. The results of these deliberations will be made known when and if the Board determines to initiate disciplinary or other law enforcement action. If the Board determines to issue uniform penalty letters, that action will be taken in public session immediately after the executive session.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard J. Galante, Jr. Date
Secretary