

Oregon Mortuary and Cemetery Board  
Consumer-Industry Advisory Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, September 11, 2007

Minutes

Members Present:

Jon Cummings Chair, OMCB  
Joncile Martin, OMCB  
Wally Ordeman, OFDA  
Tim Corbett, CAO  
Nancy Felton, CAO  
Scott Logan, OFDA  
John Springer, Crematories

Members Absent:

Don Ballantyne, Crematories  
Rick Bennett, AARP  
Christina Todd, FCAO

Guests:

Chad Dresselhaus AFCTS

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Jon Cummings. Minutes from the July 31, 2007 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Old Business:

Investigation recommendations and revisions to forms were discussed. One suggestion was to invite OMCB staff to our meeting to discuss our proposal before it was sent to the OMCB but most committee members felt that was unnecessary. Most of the work, discussion and review have been completed so members were asked to give the documents one last review and get back to Jon by Friday, Sept. 14, 2007, if they had any concerns or suggestions for change. If not, Jon will plan give these to OMCB president, Jim Ward, at the September 24, 2007 workshop.

New Business:

We also had a lengthy discussion regarding the staff response to our recommendations on the inspection sheets and as to what our response to staff's document should be. It was decided that we would write a short letter of response to OMCB and OMCB staff. This response should be as positive as possible, emphasize the need to pare down the inspection list so that the mandated inspections could be made in a timely manner, and reiterate committee goals (i.e., statutory authority, physical evaluation of compliance, and no inspections based on rules from other state or federal agencies). We also agreed that we do not object if OMCB staff wants to keep references to the ORS and OARs on their

checklist. If they do not want to move some inspection items to the places suggested by the committee, we do not feel strongly about that either.

We also discussed the agenda for the upcoming workshop on review of our recommendations. Again, we decided to write a draft agenda for use at the workshop. The committee believes it crucial that OMCB members and CIAC members all sit at the same table during the discussion and that the Board members ask questions of CIAC and/or OMCB staff, rather than staff leading the discussion. It was felt that a time limit on speakers would help keep the meeting more focused.

Tim Corbett has drafted potential changes to the OARs and distributed to committee members. Discussion on these changes was deferred until the next meeting. The committee may request a public hearing on revisions to these rules.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m. Our next meeting is set for 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at the AARP offices in Clackamas, Oregon.

Written by Joncile Martin  
September 14, 2007