

Meeting Minutes for the Forensic Science Institute of Ohio

A Meeting of the FSIO was called to order on September 8, 2016, at 10:10 am, at the Ohio Fire Academy, Room 2305, 8895 East Main St., Reynoldsburg, Ohio. President Brandon Werry (OSHP) presided over the meeting.

The following Members and guests were present: Rebecca Barlag (Ohio U.), Bob Budgake (Canton-Stark Retired), David Cogan (Toledo), Jennifer Duvall (BCI London), Angela Farrington (Columbus), Nancy Kelly (Franklin Co.), Karen Kwek (BCI London), Sonja Rawn (Ohio U./Fire Marshall), Heather Sheskey (OSHP), Jim Smith (BCI London), Jami StClair (Columbus), Lynne Strainic (OSHP), Bob Topmiller (Hamilton Co.), Mike Trimpe (Hamilton Co.) and Chad Wissinger (State Fire Marshal). A quorum was present. Nine of the sixteen eligible voters were represented. Tony Tambasco (Mansfield) was represented by proxy.

Secretary Budgake presented the minutes of the June 9, 2016 meeting. The minutes were reviewed and approved. Motion, Chad Wissinger; Second, Mike Trimpe. All Members voted in the affirmative.

Chad Wissinger presented the Treasurer's report. He disclosed that the FSIO has a checking account balance of \$14,288, a savings account balance of \$5,000 and a Tong Award's Fund balance of \$41,456. Chad advised that the recent debit card he received is drawing funds out of savings, instead of checking. Chad plans to rectify this issue shortly. Additionally, Chad advised that the Tong Awards Fund Trustees (Barlag, Budgake, Rawn, Rentz & Wissinger) met just prior to the FSIO meeting, to discuss future investment options. He stated that the Trustees intend to keep this investment in the current mutual fund, but plan to closely monitor the fund's performance, with the long term goal of investing in a more predictable investment such as a CD or bond.

Old Business:

President Werry, on behalf of Jeff Lynn (Bowling Green), revealed that the web based training module for Hyper Geometrics Sampling is not achievable at this time. The membership tabled this matter.

Lynne Strainic advised that they had 38 attendees, from nine labs and two universities, for the Mass Spectral Interpretation Course, conducted by Jason Nawyn, US Army Criminal Investigation Lab. This course was on July 28, 2016 at the Fire Academy. Lynne stated that most of the reviews were very positive. The neutral/negative ratings received were concerning classroom computer problems at the start and a poor print quality handout of mass spectral data. Subsequently, Lynne stated that each attendee received a CD of this handout material.

President Werry suggested that we delay organizing a meeting of the Ohio drug analysts, until the administrative policies of the recently passed Ohio medical marijuana

legislation are established. In addition to this legislation topic, the Members suggested that the following ought to be discussed:

- Safety issues regarding carfentanil and other potent drugs
- Procurement of standards
- Information sharing between labs

Jami StClair recommended that we also consider sponsoring group meetings of our other disciplines in 2017.

New Business:

Bob Budgake presented the Emeritus Membership application of Larry Rentz, who retired from BCI-Bowling Green on August 1st. Larry is a long time Member of the FSIO and served as President twice. Motion to accept, Bob Budgake; Second, Chad Wissinger. All Members voted in the affirmative.

President Werry led a discussion regarding future FSIO courses. The membership decided to have a course moratorium in 2017, since we will directly compete with the September 2017 MAFS meeting and workshops, in Cincinnati. Mike Trimpe asked the group for MAFS workshop suggestions. The following were proffered:

- Chemistry refresher course
- Hyper Geometrics sampling
- LCMS drug analysis

Bob Budgake instructed that Advisor (Past President) Jim Smith was responsible for establishing and presenting a slate of candidates for the offices of Treasurer, Secretary and President Elect at our December meeting. Jim appeared quite enthusiastic to take on this responsibility. Chad Wissinger and Bob Budgake, both indicated that they were willing to continue serving as Treasurer and Secretary, respectively.

The next meeting of the FSIO, which is our Annual Meeting, is scheduled for 10 am, Thursday, December 8, 2016, at the **Ohio Fire Academy**, 8895 East Main St., Reynoldsburg, Ohio. Motion, Chad Wissinger; Second, Bob Budgake. All Members voted in the affirmative.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 am. Motion, Jim Smith; Second, Jami StClair. All Members voted in the affirmative.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. Budgake, Secretary, FSIO