

# **BOARD OF FUNERAL DIRECTORS/EMBALMERS**

## **MINUTES OF MEETING**

**September 20, 2010**

**Open Session**

**The Open Session of the Board of Funeral Directors / Embalmers was called to order at 2:00 pm on the above date in Room 104, Cannon Building, Rhode Island Department of Health, Three Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island, pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Open Meeting Law, so called, and other applicable provisions of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, as amended. A quorum was established.**

**Board members in attendance:**

**Edward Murphy**

**Joan Retsinas**

**Raymond Butterfield, III**

**Elizabeth Feid**

**Mary Bray**

**Board members not in attendance:**

**Staff members in attendance:**

**Maureen Slowik**

**J. Michel Martineau**

**Chair, Edward Murphy opened the meeting. Mr. Craig Carpenter made a presentation addressing a request for changes needed in Rhode Island's rules and regulations pertaining to a full body donation program and its specific need for cremation services provided in Rhode Island. Detailed handouts were distributed, Board Members read and began to review the need expressed and the possible implications of considering this request to amend the Rules and Regulations. The Board Administrator will notify Dr. Charles Alexandre and Greg Madoian, Esq. of this presentation and request for changes.**

#### **Adjournment to Executive Session**

**On motion of Edward Murphy, seconded by Elizabeth Feid, it was unanimously voted to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(1) of the Rhode Island General Laws, as Amended, in that confidential issues of fitness for licensure and investigative cases will be discussed. The Open Session adjourned at 3:00 pm.**

#### **Return to Open Session**

**The Open Session was called back to order at 4:05 pm. On motion of Mary Bray, seconded by Edward Murphy, it was unanimously voted to keep confidential all matters discussed in Closed Session and to seal**

**those minutes inasmuch as fitness for licensure and ongoing disciplinary matters were addressed.**

**The minutes of the open session held on July 19, 2010 were presented. On motion by Edward Murphy, seconded by Raymond Butterfield, III, it was unanimously voted to accept the minutes. The minutes of the closed session held on July 19, 2010 were presented. On motion by Edward Murphy, seconded by Raymond Butterfield, III, it was unanimously voted to accept the minutes.**

### **Adjournment**

**Having no further business, on motion of Edward Murphy, seconded by Raymond Butterfield, III, it was unanimously voted to adjourn. The Open Session of the meeting was adjourned at 4:41 pm. The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting is Monday, November 15, 2010 at 2 pm.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**J. Michel Martineau  
Board Administrator**