



STATE OF OHIO

BOARD OF EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS

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Meeting Minutes of the State of Ohio Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors

Board Meeting

Thursday, March 16, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code § 4717.03(A), the State of Ohio Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors convened in room 1960 of the Vern Riffe Center for Government and the Arts at 77 South High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215 for its regular meeting to discuss the Board's business.

1. Convening of the Board – President Horne

Calling of the Roll

Board Vice President Thomas Taneff called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Executive Director of the Board Cheryl Grossman recorded the following board members in attendance: Amanda E. Crates; Edward C. Nurre, Jr.; Jon W. Rettig, Sr.; Thomas Taneff; William C. Wappner.

Vice President Taneff stated a quorum of the Board was present.

The attendance of Board Member Adriana A. Sfalcin and Board President George Horne, II, was recorded as not present. Each board member's absence was made known in advance and thus excused.

Pledge of Allegiance

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Recognize Apprentices

Apprentices in attendance fulfilling the board's requirement to attend one state monthly board meeting during their apprenticeship were Zachary Eils, Amanda Gerson, Wynelle Grady, Susan Massa, Hanna Schaffer, Sydney Theriot, Abigail Thompson, Kayla Uzzo, and Christian Witchey. Each introduced themselves when recognized by Vice President Taneff.

Vice President Taneff also recognized and introduced individually the following guests: Andrew Allman of Ohio Funeral Directors Association, Cathy Elkins of Funeral Consumers Alliance of Central Ohio, and Marlan Gary of Marlan J. Gary Funeral Homes of Columbus, Ohio.

Vice President Taneff welcomed all to the meeting.

2. Board Business

President's Report

Vice President Taneff asked Executive Director Cheryl Grossman if President George Horne submitted a report for the meeting. Director Grossman informed there was no report submitted.

Treasurer's Report

Vice President Taneff asked Board Secretary-Treasurer Amanda Crates for the monthly report. Secretary Crates acknowledged the financial report and stated there was nothing out of the ordinary and suggested it be accepted. Ms. Crates asked fellow board members if there were questions or concerns about the report. There was none.

Executive Director's Report

Vice President Taneff asked Executive Director of the Board Cheryl Grossman for the monthly report. Director Grossman read aloud her report.

Committee Meetings Review

Vice President Taneff stated committees meet to do the work of reviewing and considering issues related to the committee's interests.

JCARR Rules Review Committee

Vice President Taneff informed the board's JCARR Rules Review Committee did not have a quorum of committee members; therefore, no meeting was conducted.

Vice President Taneff informed the board's Preneed Recovery Committee did not convene.

Education and Examination Committee

Committee Chairperson Amanda Crates reported the board's Education and Examination Committee reviewed, discussed, and approved meeting minutes from the previous month's convening, applications for continuing education programs, applications from licensees for 50 Years of License Exemption, and Separation from Practice Exemption, of the continuing education requirements, and requests from licensees for credit hours for attending and participating in a continuing education program out of the state of Ohio.

Amanda Crates moved for the Board to approve a recommendation from the Education and Examination Committee to approve the applications for continuing education programs as decided during its March 16, 2023, convening. Vice President Taneff reminded that a second to the motion was not necessary because the committee chairperson made the motion. Mr. Taneff asked for comments or discussion on the motion. There was none.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner
Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Amanda Crates moved for the Board to approve a recommendation from the Education and Examination Committee to approve the applications for 50 Years of License Exemption of the continuing education requirements as decided during its March 16, 2023, convening. Vice President Taneff reminded that a second to the motion was not necessary because the committee chairperson made the motion. Mr. Taneff asked for comments or discussion on the motion. There was none.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner
Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Amanda Crates moved for the Board to approve a recommendation from the Education and Examination Committee to approve the applications for Separation from Practice Exemption of the continuing education requirements as decided during its March 16, 2023, convening. Vice President Taneff reminded that a second to the motion was not necessary because the committee chairperson made the motion. Mr. Taneff asked for comments or discussion on the motion. There was none.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner
Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Amanda Crates moved for the Board to approve a recommendation from the Education and Examination Committee to approve the requests from licensees for credit hours for attending and participating in a continuing education program out of the state of Ohio as decided during its March 16, 2023, convening. Vice President Taneff reminded that a second to the motion was not necessary because the committee chairperson made the motion. Mr. Taneff asked for comments or discussion on the motion. There was none.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner
Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Minutes

Correction to Approved Minutes of January 18, 2023, Board Meeting

Jarrod Williams explained the error found on page 8 of the approved minutes and requested the proposed correction be approved.

William Wappner moved for the Board to accept the explanation and approve the amendment to the minutes of the January 18, 2023, Board Meeting as presented. Edward Nurre seconded the motion. Vice President Taneff asked for comments or discussion on the motion. There was none.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner
Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

February 15, 2023, Board Meeting

Jon Rettig moved for the Board to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2023, Board Meeting as presented. Edward Nurre seconded the motion. Vice President Taneff asked for comments or discussion on the motion. There was none.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner
Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Licenses

Applications for Individual Licensure

Vice President Taneff informed all individual licenses approved at today's meeting will be conditional upon verification from board office staff that all documentation associated to an application for license has been received, reviewed, and accepted.

Vice President Taneff read aloud the list of names of individuals applying for initial licensure.

William Wappner moved for the Board to approve the applications from individuals for initial embalmer license and/or funeral director license. Amanda Crates seconded the motion. Vice President Taneff asked for comments or discussion on the motion. There was none.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Applications for Certification of Apprenticeship

Vice President Taneff informed all certifications of apprenticeship approved at today's meeting will be conditional upon verification from board office staff that all documentation associated to an application for certification has been received, reviewed, and accepted.

Vice President Taneff read aloud the list of names of individuals applying for certification of apprenticeship.

William Wappner moved for the Board to approve the applications from individuals for certification of embalmer and/or funeral director apprenticeship(s). Jon Rettig seconded the motion. Vice President Taneff asked for comments or discussion on the motion.

Jon Rettig pointed out two different spellings of the name "Brianna Dishman" included in the listing of applicants for approval and questioned the correct spelling.

William Wappner amended his previous motion to approve to include a stipulation the application by "Brianna Dishman" can be approved upon confirmation of the correct spelling of the name.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Applications for Facility Licensure

Vice President Taneff informed all facility licenses approved at today's meeting will be conditional upon verification from board office staff that all documentation associated to an application for license has been received, reviewed, and accepted.

Vice President Taneff read aloud the list of names of applicants for facility licensure.

William Wappner moved for the Board to approve the applications for facility license as presented. Edward Nurre seconded the motion. Vice President Taneff asked for comment or discussion on the motion. There was none.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Compliance

Ratification of closed compliance cases

Vice President Taneff read aloud the list of compliance case numbers recommended for closure.

Amanda Crates moved for the Board to ratify the list of closed compliance cases as presented and confirm each case's status as closed. Edward Nurre seconded the motion. Vice President Taneff asked for comment or discussion on the motion. There was none.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Indigent Burial and Cremation Support Program

Applications for reimbursement denied

Vice President Taneff reminded a denial or approval for reimbursement is at the discretion of the Board.

William Wappner moved for the Board to ratify the March 16, 2023, list of denied applications for reimbursement to the Indigent Burial and Cremation Support Program as presented. Amanda Crates seconded the motion. Vice President Taneff asked for comment or discussion on the motion. There was none.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Request for permission to supervise more than one apprenticeship at one time

Vice President Taneff asked board members if all had opportunity to review the request submitted by Marlan Gary of Marlan J. Gary Funeral Homes of Columbus, Ohio.

William Wappner moved for the Board to approve the request from Marlan Gary for permission to supervise more than one apprenticeship at a time. Edward Nurre seconded the motion. Vice President Taneff asked for comment or discussion on the motion. There was none.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Vice President Taneff asked board members if all had opportunity to review the request submitted by Amanda Crates of Crates Funeral & Cremation Services of Findlay/Arlington/North Baltimore, Ohio.

Jon Rettig moved for the Board to approve the request from Amanda Crates for permission to supervise more than one apprenticeship at a time. Edward Nurre seconded the motion. Vice President Taneff asked for comment or discussion on the motion. There was none.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner

Abstain: Amanda Crates

Resolution: Motion Carries 4/0

Attorney General Update

Vice President Taneff recognized and introduced Senior Assistant Attorney General Elizabeth Fligner as the Board's Counselor. Mr. Taneff asked AG Fligner if she had any updates to provide the Board. Ms. Fligner reported on a recent virtual meeting between C. Patrick Denier, assistant section chief of executive agencies at the Office of Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost, Cheryl Grossman, executive director of the board, Jarrod Williams, staff member of the board office, and herself regarding Ohio Rev. Code § 4717.04.

Ms. Fligner stated that Mr. Denier led discussion about his research into the addition of section D to R.C. 4717.04 because of the passage of Ohio Senate Bill 224. Mr. Denier explained the amendment granted the executive director of the board with unusual power to cause for prosecution of an offender in a county where an alleged infraction occurred. Mr. Denier explained this ability could be perceived as overstepping local law enforcement authority and suggested amending this section of code. Mr. Denier shared examples of proposed amendment language.

There was discussion between board members and board counsel about Mr. Denier's research and proposal.

Public Comment

Vice President Taneff informed that the Board provides an opportunity for public comment during its meetings. Mr. Taneff announced that no requests were submitted prior to the meeting and asked if any guest in attendance desired the opportunity. There was none.

Upcoming Dates

Vice President Taneff read aloud the list of dates with information associated to each.

Jon Rettig moved for the Board to enter executive session per Section 121.22(G)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code to consider the discipline of a public employee. Amanda Crates seconded the motion. Vice President Taneff asked for comments or discussion on the motion. There was none.

Mr. Taneff invited Board Counselor Beth Fligner to join the executive session.

Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

The Board entered executive session at 11:06 a.m.

The Board exited executive session at 12:26 p.m.

Vice President Taneff announced that all board members returned to the regular meeting.

Vice President Taneff asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There was none.

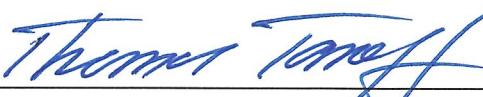
3. Adjournment

Jon Rettig moved for the Board to adjourn its meeting. Amanda Crates seconded the motion.

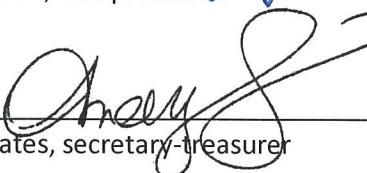
Roll-call vote: Yes: Amanda Crates, Edward Nurre, Jon Rettig, Thomas Taneff, William Wappner

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

March 16, 2023, meeting of the Ohio Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors adjourned at 12:27 p.m.



Thomas Taneff, vice president



Amanda Crates, secretary-treasurer

Executive Director's Report

March 2023

The renewals for facility licenses are nearly complete. Approximately 5 percent of individual license renewals have not been completed. We will be following up on those individuals.

The Green Forms for the ARPPS program are being returned. Currently, approximately 20 percent have been received.

I have completed preparation of the Budget testimony, which is scheduled for Wednesday, March 8, 2023 before the House Finance Subcommittee on Agriculture, Development and Natural Resources.

I met with Sub-Committee Chair Jones to explain the four amendments we are seeking. As I have previously shared, they include re-institution of the Crematory Operators Permit, correction of language from a 2017 statute regarding prohibition against removing dental gold, body parts, organs, or other items of value from a body prior to or after cremation without proper authorization. This was a drafting error at the time the legislation was approved.

We are also requesting funding for a staff person to oversee the ARPPS program from the fund. This was originally written into the bill but was not properly stated to be able to fund this position from the fund. Lastly, providing funding for the Indigent Burial Fund from the fund for a staff person to administer the program. When this was directed to our Board to administer the Indigent Burial and Cremation Support Program, there was no funding to provide a staff person.

There are no new fees required for any of the amendments that have been requested. Both would be an earmark of existing appropriations.

We continue to work with the Department of Health on requested improvements to the EDRS system as they evaluate a new system.

Proposed rule changes will be submitted to JCARR soon.

Five counties remain that have met their \$11,000 maximum through our Indigent Burial and Cremation Support Program. They are Butler, Lucas, Montgomery, Richland, and Summit Counties. We have 84 counties who are actively submitting applications and have added two more counties that are corresponding for more information on the program and how they may utilize it.

Amanda Crates and I presented at the OFDA Masters Training that was held on February 23, 2023. We received strong feedback from the participants. We have previously asked OFDA to have participants complete a survey indicating how many plan to serve as a Master. Out of 43 attendees, 25 indicated they plan to become a Master while 18 indicated they were seeking continuing education only.

I attended the Conference Annual Meeting March 1, 2 and 3. Jon Rettig was elected as President of The Conference. I found the time in the meetings very helpful as we discussed common challenges each of us are facing as well as best practices and how they may be utilized to assist others. I have responded to requests from other states to provide examples of our legislation to them.

Kim Grossman will be travelling to CCMS on March 9, 2023, to meet with apprentices to demonstrate the application process as well as answer any questions. This has been a good practice in the past and assists the apprentices in providing positive guidance on the process.

The quarterly newsletter, Respect, will be sent by March 30, 2023.

We continue to work with two different county prosecutors on issues dealing with pre-needs. We have been pleased with their response on the concerns we have shared.

We continue to work with DAS on the migration of the new website to align with their new guidance on consistency of state websites.

I am working with the Michigan Funeral Board because of the formal complaint we sent to them.

Automated Reporting and Preneed Payment System (ARPPS)

Quarter 4 of 2022 reporting through March 03, 2023

Total contracts filed	8,483
Total fees paid	\$84,830.00

ARPPS/Preneed Recovery Fund (KeyBank) Account

Statement Ending February 28, 2023	\$82,044.35
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State Treasury Asset Reserve (STAR Ohio) Account

Statement Ending February 28, 2023

Opening Balance	\$1,566,673.88
Income Dividend Reinvestment	\$5,735.47
Closing Balance	\$1,572,409.35
(CY) YTD Earnings: Income Reinvested	\$11,753.51

Preneed Recovery Fund Reimbursement

Start of program through February 28, 2023

Total applications approved	24
Total amount of payments approved	\$134,581.68

Indigent Burial and Cremation Support Program (IBCSP)

Reimbursement application forms during February 2023

Total applications approved	30
Total amount of reimbursements approved	\$25,748.00

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Initial licenses to be approved.

Name	License #	Location
Armstrong, Tracy	FD.010298	Columbus, Ohio
Faiola, Brian	FD.010300	Akron, Ohio
Faiola, Brian	EMB.010043	Akron, Ohio
Pertuset, Emma	FD.010301	West Portsmouth, Ohio
Pertuset, Emma	EMB.010044	West Portsmouth, Ohio
Rezac, Adam	FD.010302	Circleville, Ohio
Vernon, Colin	EMB.010045	Mechanicsburg, Ohio

Reciprocal License

License Number	Name	State Reciprocating From
FD.010299	Thresa Holt	Michigan
EMB.010042	Thresa Holt	Michigan

License Reinstatement

License Number	Name
EMB.008895	Polly Stonebraker - Phelps
FD.008896	Polly Stonebraker - Phelps

Crematory Operator Permits

License Number	Name	Location
CROP.000808	Anastasia, Patrick	Geneva, Ohio
CROP.000809	Anderson, Tod	Spencerville, Ohio
CROP.000810	Bryant, Bradley	Franklin, Ohio
CROP.000807	Edmiston-Sims, Elijah	Columbus, Ohio

CROP.000806	Franklin, Ronald	Zanesville, Ohio
CROP.000812	Handler, Isabella	New Albany, Ohio
CROP.000805	Laughrey, Wade	Cincinnati, Ohio
CROP.000811	Slabe III, William	Painesville, Ohio
CROP.000813	Vanca, Amanda	Lorain, Ohio

March 2023 Apprentice Certifications

Apprentice Certifications

<u>Apprentice Name</u>	<u>Certification #</u>	<u>Funeral Home & Location</u>	<u>Master</u>
Antinelli, Kaitlin	CERT.009300 FD	Newcomer Funeral Home, Cincinnati, Ohio	Michael Sexton
Antinelli, Kaitlin	CERT.007307 EMB	Newcomer Funeral Home, Cincinnati, Ohio	Michael Sexton
Dishman, Briana	CERT.007303 EMB	Mueller Funeral Home, Mason, Ohio	John Mueller
Dishman, Brianna	CERT.009294 FD	Mueller Funeral Home, Mason, Ohio	John Mueller
Lyons, Robert	CERT.009296 FD	Roger W. Davis Funeral Home, West Portsmouth, Ohio	Roger Davis
Nero, Joseph	CERT.009298 FD	Vito-Nero Funeral Home, Garfield Heights, Ohio	Brian Kelly
Tackis, Taylor	CERT.009297 FD	Newcomer Funeral Home, Kettering, Ohio	Nicholas Rine
Tackis, Taylor	CERT.007305 EMB	Newcomer Funeral Home, Kettering, Ohio	Nicholas Rine
Thomas, Lauryn	CERT.009299 FD	Thompson, Hall and Jordan Funeral Home, Forest Park, Ohio	Arlene Lawrence
Thomas, Lauryn	CERT.007306 EMB	Thompson, Hall and Jordan Funeral Home, Forest Park, Ohio	Arlene Lawrence

March 2023 – New Facility License

OWNERSHIP, NAME and AIC CHANGES

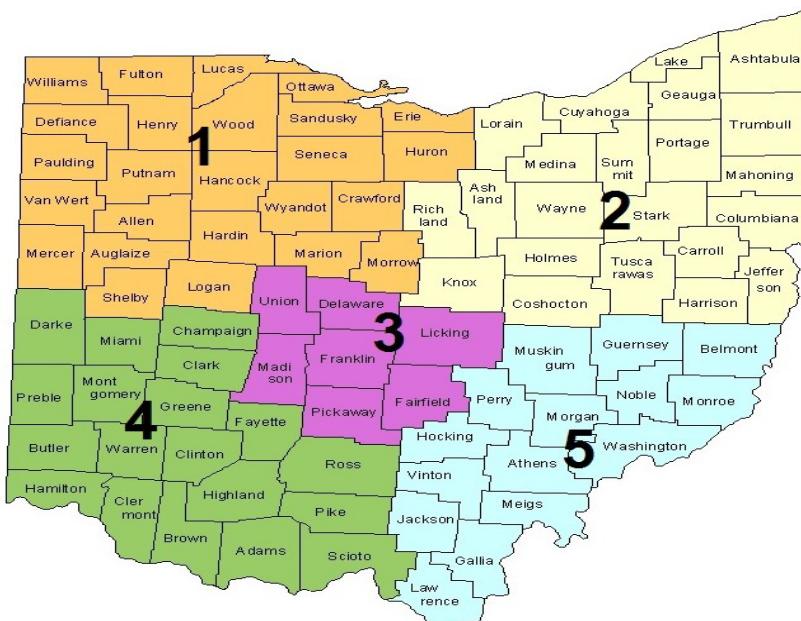
Closing License #	Previous Facility Name	Previous AIC/Owner	New Facility Name	New License #	AIC	Location
CREM.000094	Greater Cincinnati Crematory	Mark Piorkowski	GT Trade, LLC Crematory	CREM.000281	Matthew Taylor	Cincinnati, Ohio
FH.003861	Jewish Funerals USA	Deanna Clingerman	Cleveland Jewish Funerals	FH.003955	Veronica Thomas	Cleveland, Ohio
FH.002826	Piorkowski Funeral Home	Mark Piorkowski	GT Trade, LLC – Funeral Home	FH.003954	Wade Laughrey	Cincinnati, Ohio
FH.003830	Schlup-Pucak Funeral Home	Charles Wilson/ Donald Pucak	Schlup-Pucak & Wilson Funeral Home	FH.003956	Charles Wilson	Akron, Ohio
FH.003358	WM Nicholas Funeral Home LLC	William Nicholas	Staying the same	Fh.003957	Beth Nicholas	Niles, Ohio

LICENSE CLOSURES

License #	Name	AIC	Preneeds to	Cremains	Location
FH.002630	McVean, Hughes & McClurkin Funeral Home	Christopher Engartner	Edward J Fox & Sons	Edward J Fox & Sons	Youngstown, Ohio

NEW FACILITY

License Type and License #	Name of Facility	AIC	Location
Funeral Home FH.003958	Summit Simple Cremations	Charles (Chip) Billow	Uniontown, Ohio



Program Number Naming Convention

Program numbers are labeled based on location of the program and category (Ethics, Preneed, and Laws & Rules). The first number of the program number indicates the location of In Person programs based on the above map.

Program numbers beginning with O- are online programs.

Program numbers beginning with W- are webinar programs.

Program numbers beginning with 6- are out-of-state programs.

After the beginning number or letter the Required Categories are labeled, if applicable, as:

e – ETHICS, p – PRENEED, L – LAWS & RULES

PROGRAM TYPE DEFINITIONS for OHIO

In Person means instruction occurs when the instructors and participants are face to face, in the same location.

Webinar means instruction occurs simultaneously between the instructors and participants who are not located in the same place using a format in which participants are able to interact with the instructor through a question and answer format in real time. Webinar continuing education adds technology to live instruction through the use of an electronic, cyber, or a digital medium. Ex: Zoom

Online means instruction occurs when the instructors and participants are not located in the same place. Online continuing education adds technology to instruction through the use of an electronic, cyber, or digital medium. The learner can go at their own pace.

Ex: On Demand programs

MONTHLY APPROVED CE PROGRAMS

FOR

Ohio Licensees

2023 - 2024 Compliance Period

Programs Reviewed at Board Meeting: **March 16, 2023**

Current CE Requirements

Continuing Education Requirements for Compliance Period 1-1-2023 through 12-31-2024.

* Please be aware that CE hours do not carry over from one compliance period to the next.

6 hours must be: **In Person and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.** **Private, In-Person programs DO NOT COUNT toward the "6-hour In Person" requirement.**

12 hours can be: **In Person or Webinar or Online, Public or Private** (**Webinars ARE NOT considered In Person hours**)

18 HOURS TOTAL

REQUIRED TOPICS

Of the 18 hours, 5 shall be in the following REQUIRED TOPICS:

1 hr of Ethics, 2 hrs of Preneed, 2 hrs of Laws & Rules

(Hours not specified as **Required Topic Hours** are considered **GENERAL HOURS**)

Licenses must contact the Program Provider to verify details, dates and availability of programs.
Contact information is listed, when available, for your convenience.

Reviewed at March 16, 2023 Board Meeting

Private programs are shown in RED. Private, In-Person programs DO NOT COUNT toward the "6-hour In Person" requirement.

Provider Name	Program Title	Program Number	Program Type	CE Hours	Categories: e, p, L&R	Effective Date	Expiration Date
Embalmers Association of Cleveland Contact: www.embalmersassociationofcleveland.com							
Embalmers Association of Cleveland	Northeast Ohio Nurse Honor Guard (Parma, OH)	2-003584	In Person	2		3/23/2023	3/23/2023
Funeral Continuing Education Contact: funeralcontinuingeducation.com							
funeralcontinuingeducation.com	Understanding Modern Funeral Customs (Online)	O-003587	Online	1		3/16/2023	12/31/2024
funeralcontinuingeducation.com	Limiting Exposure to HIV/AIDS (Online)	O-003588	Online	2		3/16/2023	12/31/2024
funeralcontinuingeducation.com	Complying with the FTC Funeral Rule (Online)	O-003589	Online	2		3/16/2023	12/31/2024
funeralcontinuingeducation.com	Funeral Products and the Environment (Online)	O-003590	Online	2		3/16/2023	12/31/2024
funeralcontinuingeducation.com	Helping Parents Cope with Unexpected Death (Online)	O-003591	Online	1		3/16/2023	12/31/2024
funeralcontinuingeducation.com	Burial with Military Honors - Best Practices (Online)	O-003592	Online	3		3/16/2023	12/31/2024
funeralcontinuingeducation.com	Perinatal Bereavement and Memorialization (Online)	O-003593	Online	2		3/16/2023	12/31/2024
funeralcontinuingeducation.com	Green Burial Environmentally Friendly Funerals (Online)	O-003594	Online	2		3/16/2023	12/31/2024
FDLIC Contact: www.funeraldirectorslife.com							
Funeral Directors Life Insurance Company	Improving Cash Flow, and, Meeting the Needs of Today's Funeral Consumer with Technology (Toledo, OH)	1p-003574	In Person	2	2 - p	4/17/2023	4/17/2023
Graystone Associates Contact: www.graystoneassociates.com							
Graystone Associates	Financial Fundamentals (Springfield, OH) - PRIVATE	4-003577	PRIVATE	3.5		3/22/2023	3/22/2023
Graystone Associates	Funeral Service Associates (Springfield, OH) - PRIVATE	4-003578	PRIVATE	3.5		3/23/2023	3/23/2023
Graystone Associates	Telephone Skills (Cleveland, OH) - PRIVATE	2-003575	PRIVATE	7		3/28/2023	3/29/2023
Graystone Associates	Funeral Director Review (New Philadelphia, OH) - PRIVATE	2-003576	PRIVATE	7		3/29/2023	3/30/2023
ICCFA Contact: www.iccfa.com							
International Cemetery, Cremation & Funeral Association	ICCFA Online Crematory Operator Certification Program (Online)	OeL-003585	Online	7	1 - e, 2 - L&R	3/16/2023	12/31/2024
Lifeline of Ohio Contact: www.lifelineofohio.org							
Lifeline of Ohio	Introduction to Donation for Transplant (Columbus, OH)	3-003573	In Person	2		3/29/2023	3/29/2023

OFDA Contact: www.ofdaonline.org

Ohio Funeral Directors Association	Implantable Devices and Therapies: What You May Not Know (Columbus, OH)	3-003595	In Person	4	4/24/2023	4/24/2023
Ohio Funeral Directors Association	OFDA Board of Directors Meeting (Columbus, OH) - PRIVATE	3L-003596	PRIVATE	1	.50 L&R	4/25/2023
Ohio Funeral Directors Association	143rd OFDA Convention and Exhibitions (Columbus, OH) 1. We Spent \$5,000,000 on Funeral Home Ads—Here's What We Learned, 1-p, 3epl-003566-1 2. Funeral Business Financing, 1, 3epl-003566-2 3. Write, Trust, Profit. Repeat!, 1-p, 3epl-003566-3 4. If Not Now, When? - The Truth About Your Business Succession, 1, 3epl-003566-4 5. Beating Mental Bias, 1, 3epl-003566-5 6. The Answer is Yes. What is the Question?, 1, 3epl-003566-6 7. Evolving Funeral Service Education, 1-L&R, 3epl-003566-7 8. 7 Steps to a Winning Cremation Marketing Strategy That Actually Works, 1, 3epl-003566-8 9. Emotional Intelligence for Funeral Directors, 1, 3epl-003566-9 10. How to Deliver Exception Customer Service, 1, 3epl-003566-10 11. Pediatric Funeral Care, 1-e, 3epl-003566-11 12. Putting the "Extra" in Extraordinary, 1, 3epl-003566-12 13. Grief Therapy Dogs, A Benefit to Your Client Families, 1, 3epl-003566-13 14. Climbing the VA Tower, 1-L&R, 3epl-003566-14 15. Fabulous Food, 1, 3epl-003566-15 16. Breathing Oxygen, 1, 3epl-003566-16 17. Emerging Leaders, 1.5, 3epl-003566-17 18. National Update, .50, 3epl-003566-18 19. The Right of Disposition Referee, 1-L&R, 3epl-003566-19 20. Aftercare: Strengthen Your Families and Business, 1, 3epl-003566-20 21. Reach More Families: How to Turn the Tide Against Direct Disposition, 1-p, 3epl-003566-21 22. Cremation is ____: Understanding Cremation Motivations, 1, 3epl-003566-22 23. Burning Shield, 1, 3epl-003566-23 24. OFDA Exhibit Floor Exploration, 1, 3epl-003566-24	3epl-003566	In Person	multiple	e, p, L&R	4/25/2023
Ohio Funeral Directors Association	Best Practices for Crematory Operators - Webinar (Webinar)	W-003597	Webinar	2	3/29/2023	3/29/2023
Ohio Funeral Directors Association	Best Practices for Crematory Operators - Online (Online)	O-003598	Online	2	3/29/2023	12/31/2024

Ohio Funeral Directors Association - Dist. 16

Ohio Funeral Directors Association - Dist. 16	Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery, and, Veteran Benefits (Canton, OH)	2-003579	In Person	2	3/16/2023	3/16/2023
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Ohio Mortuary Operational Response Team	Ohio Mortuary Operational Response Team Spring Training (Columbus, OH) - PRIVATE	3e-003582	PRIVATE	12	12 - e	3/31/2023	4/2/2023
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Tri-County Funeral Directors Association - Youngstown - OFDA Dist 15

Tri-County Funeral Directors Association	Shipping Presentation by Kahlen Knapik (Boardman, OH)	2-003581	In Person	2	4/13/2023	4/13/2023
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Western Pennsylvania Funeral Directors Association - WPFDA

Western Pennsylvania Funeral Directors Association	Child Abuse (WPFDA 2023 Convention, Erie, PA)	6L-003583-a	In Person	2	2 - L&R	6/20/2023	6/20/2023
Western Pennsylvania Funeral Directors Association	ABCs of Shipping (WPFDA 2023 Convention, Erie, PA)	6L-003583-b	In Person	2	2 - L&R	6/20/2023	6/20/2023
Western Pennsylvania Funeral Directors Association	Caring Place (WPFDA 2023 Convention, Erie, PA)	6-003583-c	In Person	1		6/20/2023	6/20/2023
Western Pennsylvania Funeral Directors Association	How Can I Help? (WPFDA 2023 Convention, Erie, PA)	6-003583-d	In Person	1		6/21/2023	6/21/2023
Western Pennsylvania Funeral Directors Association	FTC: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow (WPFDA 2023 Convention, Erie, PA)	6L-003583-e	In Person	2	2 - L&R	6/21/2023	6/21/2023

Wilbert Funeral Services Contact: www.wilbert.com

Wilbert Funeral Services	How is Hospice Changing Funeral Service (Webinar)	W-003580	Webinar	1	3/30/2023	3/30/2023
Wilbert Funeral Services	Line of Duty Death Funeral Honors and Protocols (Archbold, OH) (in conjunction with OFDA Dist 1)	1-003586	In Person	2	3/21/2023	3/21/2023

REVIEWED: March 16, 2023

Requests for Exemptions and Waivers from CE

Requests for 50 Years of Licensure Exemption

<u>NAME</u>	<u>License Number</u>
John A. Verdone	FD.005355
Federick J. Monreal	FD.006155 EMB.006949
Dann Lee Marble	FD.006152 EMB.006947
Herman Borkoski	FD.005645 EMB.006568

Requests for Separation From Practice Exemption

<u>NAME</u>	<u>License Number</u>
Lora Morris	FD.008507
Dale R. Morris	FD.007355

Medical / Undue Hardship Waiver

<u>NAME</u>	<u>License Number</u>
NONE	

Requests for Out-of-State Credit

<u>NAME</u>		<u>License Number</u>		
John Feher	South Carolina	FD.008242	South Caroline FDA 1/31/2023, 1 hr	Elevating the Cremation Experience
	South Carolina		South Caroline FDA 1/31/2023, 2 hrs	Cover Your Ass - Yes, He Just Said That!
	Pennsylvania		Pennsylvania FDA 2-14-2023, 1 hr	Recruiting and Retaining Great Staff
	Pennsylvania		Pennsylvania FDA 2-14-2023, 1 hr	To Be or Not to Be: An Independent Contractor or Employee
Nathaniel Billow	Grand Cayman	FD.010056	Selected Independent FHs 1-30 thru 2-2-2023, 8.5 hrs	2023 NextGen Seminar
Anastasia Billow	Grand Cayman	FD.009883	Selected Independent FHs 1-30 thru 2-2-2023, 8.5 hrs	2023 NextGen Seminar
Abby Snider-Robinson	Grand Cayman	FD.009602	Selected Independent FHs 1-30 thru 2-2-2023, 8.5 hrs	2023 NextGen Seminar



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Ratification of Closed Compliance Cases

Thursday, March 16, 2023

Recommended Action: Motion to ratify the list of closed compliance cases as presented and confirm each case status as closed.

Complaints against an individual or facility licensed under Chapter 4717 of the Ohio Revised Code by the State of Ohio Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors may be filed through the eLicense Ohio Professional Licensure Portal or submitted to the board office via E-mail, United States Postal Service or common carrier.

In the following compliance cases, the board inspector concluded their investigation of the allegations within the complaint and upon review of all evidence, the board inspector will not be recommending disciplinary action or charges for violations of Chapter 4717 of the Ohio Revised Code or any rules adopted under Chapter 4717 of the Ohio Administrative Code in this matter.

CO2023-1100

CO2023-1102

CO2023-1224

CO2023-1659

Therefore, the board office recommends the list of compliance cases as presented be closed with no further action.

Indigent Burial and Cremation Support Program

- There are 1,931 indigent applications within the Airtable online application. Applications are up to date in the reimbursement process.
- There are five (5) counties that have reached the \$11,000 allotment set by the board (as shown below in order of meeting the limit). All counties are instructed to continue submitting their applications to the fund until further guidance is given regarding applications on hold.
 - Lucas County ● Montgomery County ● Butler County
 - Richland County ● Summit County
- Reimbursement calculations are as follows:

➤ 1,524	Reimbursed
➤ 5	Incomplete
➤ 7	Approved/Pending
➤ 147	Applications on hold
➤ 247	Denials (Including today)
➤ 1	Rejected

Indigent Burial and Cremation Support Program - Applications For Denial - 3/16/2023			
County	Government Entity	App #	Reason
Mahoning	Boardman Township	4800	Individual applied for reimbursement. Asked requester to contact local government entity, received nothing.
Harrison	Village of Cadiz	4757	Incomplete application.
Miami	Village of Fletcher	4820	Incomplete application, 60 days past issuance date on burial transit permit as shown on application/documentation (2021).
Miami	Village of Fletcher (Duplicate)	4821	Incomplete application, 60 days past issuance date on burial transit permit as shown on application/documentation (2021).
Fairfield	Greenfield Township	4824	Incomplete application, 60 days past issuance date on burial transit permit as shown on application/documentation (8/2022).
Wayne	Village of Dalton	4724	Duplicate application.
Trumbull	City of Warren	4827	Withdraw by City of Warren- NOK made contact with local government entity to claim decedent.
Butler	City of Middletown	4841	Duplicate application.
Hamilton	Green Township	4846	Individual applied for reimbursement. Asked requester to contact local government entity, received nothing.
Butler	City of Middletown	4524	Withdrawn by City of Middletown- Veterans Services reimbursed this application.
Butler	City of Middletown	4841	Duplicate application.