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Minutes of the June 27, 2018
Rules Review Committee

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

9:34 a.m.

Pursuant to 4717.03(A) of the Revised Code, the State of Ohio Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors convened in Room South A, of the Vern Riffe Center for Government and Arts, 77 South High Street to discuss the Preneed Recovery Fund proposed administrative rules with the following board members present:

Marcella Boyd-Cox (in attendance); Jon W. Rettig, Sr.; William Wappner; Edward C. Nurre (in attendance), Jill R. Pugh, Jr.; Adriana Sfalcin.

Also present was David A. Ingram, Executive Director

Stakeholder Diana Carpenter, Ohio Funeral Directors Association, Jack Lechner, Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science, Melissa Sullivan, Ohio Funeral Directors Association, and Beth Williams, Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science was present at the meeting.

Mr. Wappner called the meeting into order and Mr. Ingram took roll call for the committee.

Mr. Ingram presented the proposed draft of administrative rules under 4717-9 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

9:34 a.m.

Ms. Sullivan asked the committee whether there is enough content to sustain the proposed hours for ethics and law and rules. Mr. Rettig stated he understood the concern which lead to further discussion between the committee on the specific continuing requirements in ethics, preneed, and laws and rules. Mr. Ingram stated his concern with the ethics requirement and how to create programming for that requirement being that the industry really has no set code of ethics similar to physicians and attorneys. Mr. Lechner stated that ABFSE requires ethics to be taught for accreditation so content is available. The committee and stakeholders agreed that ethics is important and the committee needs to take a deeper look into ethics content and potentially approve a standard for Ohio. Mr. Ingram requested the stakeholders provide him standards regarding ethics and that he would meet with industry professionals on this topic.

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Mr. Rettig stated the committee and board is looking to establish standards and regulate the profession. Preneed is a big issue when he conducts his apprentice interviews.



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9:40 a.m.

The stakeholders and committee went through some of the submitted comments and discussed the comment as it related to the draft. Mr. Ingram concluded that he would take the current version and incorporate the comments and present an updated draft at the next committee meeting.

10:12 a.m.

The committee reviewed the JCARR committee minutes from April 25, 2018 and May 30, 2018. Mr. Rettig moved to approve the JCARR committee meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Pugh. Motion carried 4/0.

10:15 a.m.

Mr. Wappner Moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Pugh. Motion carried 4/0.