

## **Meeting Minutes for the Forensic Science Institute of Ohio**

*A Meeting of the FSIO was called to order at 10:03am, on June 9, 2022, at the Ohio Fire Academy, Room 2304, 8895 East Main St., Reynoldsburg, Ohio. President Mark Hiatt (Central Ohio Regional Crime Lab-Newark) presided over the meeting.*

*The following Members and guests were present in person or via Microsoft Teams: Daniel Baker (Franklin Co.), Rebecca Barlag (Ohio U.), Bob Budgake (Canton/Stark-Retired), Nasir Butt (Cuyahoga Co.), Gillian Camera (Lorain Co.), David Cogan (Toledo), Michele Foster (Canton/Stark), Matthew Juhascik (Miami Valley), Harmeet Kaur (Cuyahoga Co.), Heather Sheskey (OSHP), Mike Trimpe (Hamilton Co.) and Chad Wissinger (State Fire Marshal). A quorum was present. Eleven (11) of the eighteen (18) eligible voters were present.*

*Secretary Budgake presented the minutes of the March 19, 2022 Meeting. The minutes were reviewed and approved. Motion, Chad Wissinger; Second, Mike Trimpe. All Members voted in the affirmative.*

*Chad Wissinger proffered the Treasurer's report. He disclosed the FSIO has a checking, PayPal and saving's account balance of \$30,201.99 and a Tong Award's Fund balance of \$36,817.13.*

### Old Business:

*Just prior to this meeting, the Audit Committee, comprised of President Hiatt and Bob Budgake, conducted an audit of the Treasurer's financial records for both the FSIO and the Tong Award's Fund. This audit covered the documentation for calendar years 2017 thru 2021. The Committee found the records in good order and well organized, with no discrepancies detected.*

*Jeff Lynn was not present to report on the BGSU's \$700 thousand funding request as part of the State capital budget. These funds will be used to establish a DNA analysis lab and learning center to train forensic scientists, law enforcement professionals and students. Previously, the FSIO Board had issued a letter of support regarding this venture.*

### New Business:

*Mike Trimpe volunteered his staff to organize an Ohio trace evidence examiner's meeting. He intends on holding this meeting at their facility in Blue Ash, but would consider a more central location, if this becomes a travel issue for some agencies. Bob Budgake motioned to provide FSIO funding for lunch, not to exceed \$500; Second, Chad Wissinger. All Members voted in the affirmative.*

*Harmeet Kaur queried the group for recommendations regarding the availability/recommendations of ethics training courses. Mike Trimpe volunteered to give an online presentation via Microsoft Teams. This training also includes a segment regarding accreditation. Chad Wissinger volunteered to host this Teams meeting, since he has experience doing so for our FSIO meetings.*

*Mark Hiatt reminded the group of the MAFS Annual Meeting in Des Moines, Iowa, September 11-16, 2022.*

*The next Meeting of the FSIO, will be 10 am, Thursday, September 8, 2022, at the Ohio Fire Academy, 8895 East Main St., Reynoldsburg, Ohio, with the option of attending via Microsoft Teams. Motion, Chad Wissinger; Second, Bob Budgake. All Members voted in the affirmative.*

*The meeting adjourned at 10:21 am. Motion, Chad Wissinger; Second, Bob Budgake. All Members voted in the affirmative.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Robert E. Budgake, Secretary, FSIO*