

FSAB Board Meeting
February 14-16, 2003
Chicago, IL

FSAB has received a grant for \$60,000 from the NFSTC (National Forensic Science Technology Center). This will allow funding of lodging and per diem for directors attending FSAB meetings.

Issues related to the Mock Applications were discussed. Redundancy in the standards could be reduced by grouping the standards by topics. Some definitions need improvement.

Changes to the Policies and Procedures Manual were approved, including the updated appeals process.

Continuing Education requirements were discussed.

Officers were elected.

The American Board of Forensic Anthropology (ABFA) has submitted an INO (Initial Nominating Organization) application which was discussed and approved in executive session.

Definition of scope of certification by each organization as part of the application process was discussed.

Appropriate use of the FSAB logo was discussed. A committee will research and report on this issue.

The possibility of on-site audition of records during accreditation, re-accreditation, or complain review process was discussed and approved.

A new version of ISO 17024 has been released. The Executive committee was tasked to review the new 17024 to ensure that FSAB standards were still in compliance.

FSAB Executive Committee Meeting
June 6-8, 2003
Arlington, VA

President - Graham Jones
Vice President - Yale Caplan
Secretary - Susan Johns

Treasurer - Rick Tontarski

Requirements for public information that must be made available by certification boards was discussed.

Revisions to the FSAB Standards to realign them with the new version of ISP 17024 were discussed. This will also require updating the FSAB application for accreditation. Updates to the Policies and Procedures Manual were discussed.

FSAB Board Meeting
September 12-13, 2003
Chicago, IL

President - Graham Jones
Vice President - Yale Caplan
Secretary - Susan Johns
Treasurer - Rick Tontarski
Carol Henderson - Public Member
Randy Gibson
Derek Hammond (observing)
Herb Pendleton
Eugene Tims
Vickie Willard
Mary Fran Ernst
David Senn

David Senn (ABFO_ and Madeleine Hinkes (ABFA) joined the board.

Treasurer Rick Tontarski reported that FSAB has received \$45,000 of the \$60,000 grant from NFSTC, and that the other \$15,000 will be provided pending a required status report in the future.

Proposed changes to the FSAB Standards were reviewed:

A section requiring public disclosure of any criteria used for evaluation of any required training courses and/or trainers was added.

Proctoring was discussed and a clarification was added.

The “outcome” of testing was defined as “pass/fail.”

There is no requirement for ethics testing.

Grandfathered individuals are intended to meet the same requirements as other certificants.

Changes to the Policies and Procedures Manual were discussed.

Development of an arbitration process was discussed.

The issue of insurance was discussed.

Annual fees and application fees for INOs were discussed.

ABC will be submitting a pilot application using the newly approved changes to the FSAB Standards.

Costs for the updated design and registration of the FSAB logo were approved. A committee report on use of the FSAB logo was discussed.

The adoption of training standards, such as the documents produced by ASTM, was discussed. A committee will research and report on this issue.
