



**SOUTH DAKOTA CRIME VICTIMS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**  
**MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 4, 2025**  
**1:00 PM CENTRAL TIME**  
**VIA IN-PERSON/TEAMS**

**Board Members Present:** Dustin Morrison, Carrie Fey, Rebecca Kiesow-Knudsen, Keith Hansen, Becky Rasmussen

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Anette Beasley, Laura Quasney, Nicci Rancy, Randi Spaid

**Others Present:** Paul Bachand

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 PM Central Time by Beasley. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

**II. Adoption of Agenda**

Motion to approve the meeting agenda as presented.

Moved by: Hansen                      Seconded by: Kiesow-Knudsen

Discussion: None

Vote: 4 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried unanimously.

**III. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Motion to approve the September 5, 2024, meeting minutes as presented.

Moved by: Hansen                      Seconded by: Kiesow-Knudsen

Discussion: None

Vote: 4 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried unanimously.

**IV. Update Report from Victims' Services**

Beasley provided attachment of funeral/ burial compensation expense limits. Hansen recapped conversation from prior meetings regarding questions on funeral/ burial compensation limits. Morrison agreed South Dakota limits are not high in comparison to others.

**V. Public Comment (SDCL 1-25-1)**

None.

**VI. Designation of Hearing Officer**

Motion to designate Bachand as the Hearing Officer of this meeting.

Moved by: Morrison                      Seconded by: Hansen

Discussion: None

Vote: 4 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried unanimously.

**VII. Claim # 2025-00116 Hearing**

Bachand began hearing at 1:07 PM, requesting if members believed it should be a closed hearing for the claim. No recommendations for closed hearing. Bachand read the applicable statutes regarding the compensation application and denial process. Bachand introduced the South Dakota Victims' Services staff present during the meeting. Beasley was sworn in under oath to provide testimony regarding the claim and an overview of the circumstances surrounding the reconsideration of the claim due to expenses beyond the funeral maximum limit of \$8,000 as defined by ARSD 67:55:04:17. Bachand inquired if there were questions from the commission, and there were none. Pause for Rasmussen to join meeting. Commission declined to enter Executive Session.



**Commission Decision**

Motion to deny claim appeal.

Moved by: Kiesow-Knudsen

Seconded by: Morrison

Discussion: None

Vote: 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried unanimously.

**VIII. Additional Business**

None.

**IX. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moved by: Hansen

Seconded by: Kiesow-Knudsen

Discussion: None

Vote: 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 1:18 PM Central Time.