



Re: 1st Quarter Board Meeting Minutes

Date: March 26, 2016

Location: Remote join

Recorded by: Lisa Bolding Ballenger

Status: Pre-approved

- I. Call to order - 9:11am
- II. Introduction of board members
 - a. Present
 - i. President Tara Mavis
 - ii. Vice president Lisa Bolding Ballenger
 - iii. Treasurer Daniel Walker
 - iv. Northwest region representative Nadia Harvey
 - v. Southeast region representative Amy Miller
 - b. Absent
 - i. Secretary Sharon Hellwege
 - c. Unfilled positions
 - i. Central region representative
 - ii. Southwest region representative
 - iii. Member at large
 - d. Other attendees
 - i. Jovanna Bradshaw Albert, Professional Development Committee
 - ii. Jennifer McCombs, Membership Committee
- III. Approval of agenda
 - a. Decreed by president Mavis
- IV. Approval of 4th quarter meeting minutes
 - a. Motion to approve made by Lisa Bolding Ballenger
 - b. Second by Daniel Walker
 - c. Motion carried unanimously
- V. Officer reports
 - a. President
 - i. Email communication with constituents
 - ii. Spoke with RID region IV representative Connie Herndon about the retreat she was unable to attend in Houston
 - b. Vice president
 - i. Updated website several times
 - ii.
 - c. Treasurer
 - i. December 5, 2015 account balance: \$6,581.95
 - ii. Income: \$0

- iii. Expenses
 - 1. Constant Contact: \$80
 - 2. SiteGround: \$47.40
 - 3. Total: \$127.40
 - iv. Current balance: \$6,5454.55
 - d. Northwestern region representative
 - i. Email communication
 - ii. Preliminary discussion of regional events
- VI. Committee reports
 - a. Professional development
 - i. Considered various workshops or activities to coincide with the 2016 business meeting in June
 - b. Membership
 - i. Added one new member
 - ii. Discussed membership cards but no decisions made
 - c. Media
 - i. No report
- VII. Unfinished business
 - a. Webinar update/action plan
 - i. Decided that hosting a webinar at this time is unfeasible
 - ii. Members should email Lisa at vicepresident@mo-rid.org with other professional development or deaf community opportunities to put on the website's calendar
 - iii. Professional development chair Jovanna will plan phone meeting(s) to develop some type of workshop to precede the June annual business meeting. She will send wording to Lisa for an e-blast to solicit help.
 - iv. Amy and Nadia will confer to plan regional/local opportunities for membership to get together, earn CEUs.
 - b. Interpreter survey
 - i. Membership Chair Jennifer McCombs will forward Lisa an updated spreadsheet of members designated by region
 - ii. Lisa will create separate email groups within Constant Contact
 - iii. Amy Miller will forward survey content to Lisa and consider what type of incentive can be included to encourage members to complete it
 - iv. Lisa will create the survey in Constant Contact and, after approval from the board, send it to members of the Southeast region as a pilot
 - c. Membership cards
 - i. Amy will get together with Jennifer to see if anything can be done before the next membership cycle beginning July 1
 - ii. It was decided this is a lower-priority action item
- VIII. New business
 - a. Full reciprocity of RID certifications
 - i. Member Kathleen Alexander shared information about her testimony to the Board of Certified Interpreters on March 25, 2016 for MCDHH to accept all RID certifications with full reciprocity to the Missouri level Master
 - ii. Amy Miller will write a letter of support and send to the Committee

- iii. The chapter will continue to follow this issue and consider further efforts to successfully achieve this goal
 - b. Future of MO-RID
 - i. The board discussed the challenges of maintaining a successful chapter with the continuing email communication technical difficulties, meeting remotely, and not having many touchpoints between meetings
 - ii. President Tara will set up more frequent board phone calls between board meetings
 - iii. The board agreed additional team building and bonding will help increase our productivity and refocus our efforts. Lisa will investigate possible dates and possible activities for a board social event in Columbia in May.
 - c. Communication protocol for board members and committee chairs
 - i. Because using the @mo-rid.org emails is simply not working, Tara will set up emails in gmail.
 - d. Filling vacant regional positions
 - i. Tara asked Kathleen Alexander to become Central regional rep and her response is pending.
 - ii. Tara will also try to recruit someone near her to fill Southwest regional rep.
 - e. Next meetings
 - i. Tentatively scheduled for June 4 (face to face annual business meeting in mid-Missouri), Sept. 10, Dec. 4, March 4.
 - ii. Tara will ask Kathleen to scout or suggest possible meeting places in Columbia for our June meeting.
- IX. Adjournment
 - a. President Tara closed the meeting at 12:05pm.