

Arizona Registry of Interpreters of the Deaf
Business Meeting
April 30, 2011
Phoenix Deaf Community Center, 1545 W. Osborn, Phoenix, AZ

I. Call to Order

President Robin Dragoo called the meeting to order at 9:50am. Secretary Deb Stone recorded the minutes.

II. Roll Call/Quorum

Present: President Robin Dragoo, Vice-President Jennifer Hensley, Secretary Deb Stone, Treasurer Lauren Greenberg, Leann Smith, Member-at-Large, Victor Brown, Member-at-Large, and Jack Van Rixel, Member-at-Large

Caroline Worthen, Membership Chair, reported that there were 114 members, 83 voting members and the quorum was 16. Quorum met of 20.

III. Minutes

September 18, 2010 minutes was accepted as corrected.

IV. Budget

Michelle Caplette-Boyle moved to accept the proposal budget as corrected. Seconded. Passed.

V. Nomination/Election

Vice-President Candidate(s): Chasity Klaverkamp

Juliann Wasisco nominated Michelle Caplette-Boyle as Vice-President. Caplette-Boyle declined

Juliann Wasisco nominated Kay Hilder as Vice-President. Hilder declined.

Chasity Klaverkamp was elected by acclamation to the office of Vice-President.

Treasurer Candidate(s): None

Juliann Wasisco nominated Michelle Caplette-Boyle as Treasurer. Caplette-Boyle accepted

Michelle Caplette-Boyle was elected by acclamation to the office of Treasurer.

Member-at-Large Candidate(s): Victor Brown, Marcella Blankenship, and Lisa Hunter

Victor Brown requested to remove his name from the nomination for Member-at-Large position.

Lisa Hunter also wished to remove her name from the nomination for Member-at-Large and preferred to serve on one of committees.

Marcella Blankenship was elected by acclamation to the office of Member-at-Large.

President Dragoo announced a ten-minute break at 10:27am.

President Dragoo resumed the meeting at 10:45am.

VI. **Officers Reports**

President Dragoo Report

- The board is working on Bylaws revision and amendment. If any member is interesting to join, please contact Secretary Deb Stone.
- Encouraged members attending RID Conference in Atlanta, GA this coming summer.
- President Dragoo wanted to clarify that the ArizonaRID was only sponsored the IPP's 2nd Annual Interpreter Social by providing the place at Phoenix Deaf Community Center not hosting the social.
- Reminded members to renew membership by June 30 for the next fiscal year in order to vote at RID meeting at the conference this summer.

Vice-President Jennifer Hensley Report

- It was my pleasure and wonderful to serve as Vice-President and working with the board and members for two years. Hensley will still be involved with ArizonaRID by applying for State Conference Chair, hoping for 2012 State Conference.
- Hensley showed the ArizonaRID website with a list of committees that are in need of chairperson. Hensley encouraged members to apply for chair of those committees.

Secretary Deb Stone Report

No report

Treasurer Lauren Greenberg Report

- The balance is \$20,241.76
- Treasurer Greenberg was looking forward to pass treasurer to Michelle Caplette-Boyle. However, Greenberg will continue with involving ArizonaRID by applying for K-12 committee chair.

VII. **Members-at-Large Reports**

Jack Van Rixel

- Northern Deaf Expo will be held on the weekend of October 7, 2011. ArizonaRID Professional Development Committee will sponsor Sunday Workshops
- CMP Chair: Bob Cacioppo left all workshop flyers on the table. The online workshop will be coming soon.

Victor Brown

- Solution for Yahoo Groups, Facebook, forum, and website: There was no such solution for social media because not all members want to join one or other. The board was not ignoring members; the board is still working on social media for better.
- The t-shirts were already available by the Professional Development committee; therefore, the board will not design, create, and order new t-shirts.
- Arizona Hands and Voice has contacted ArizonaRID for partnership in providing pro bono interpreting services for their board meetings and other events. ACDHH used to sponsor by providing interpreting services. Please check their website to register or join as volunteer interpreter.
- Website is the main information center for members. Facebook will announce different things and will refer to website.
- Brown stated this as a personal, not affiliated with ArizonaRID or as Member-at-Large that Brown is interesting in statistics with new interpreters graduated from IPP and become licensed to work. Please contact Brown.

VIII. Committee Reports

None

IX. Forum

- Juliann Wasisco: ArizonaRID website is dead. What or Where is our official site of forum and information
- Juliann Wasisco: What is the position and responsibilities of Member-at-Large? What is the process of communication? Is Member-at-Large a liaison?
- Chasity Klaverkamp: Region V Conference will be held in summer 2012. Keeps that mind for State Conference planning. In additional, thanked Jennifer Hensley, Vice President for all her work.
- Michelle Caplette-Boyle informed members if members need legal workshop, go to Arizona bar website for workshops.
- Kay Hilder: Phoenix College will celebrate 30th Anniversary IPP during IPP Graduation on May 9 at 6 pm. There are two online interpreting course available this summer

X. New Business

Juliann Wasisco moved to create an environment of equal communication access by adopting the motion that was on the table for RID's next membership meeting as shown:

“Motion A.

That RID adopt the Region V Communication Policy for National Conferences of RID beginning in 2013. Region V

Rationale:

1. To create an environment that demonstrates respect and access via a common language.
2. To promote a bilingual philosophy of communication within our organization.
3. To foster greater collaboration between RID and the Deaf Community to create a space for dialogue.
4. Increase exposure to and use of formal ASL.
5. To decrease communication via a third party.
6. To enhance the use and comprehension of ASL discourse among the membership.
7. To create a welcome environment that engenders a heightened interest from Deaf leaders, consumers, linguists, professionals, interpreters, teachers, and researchers, to share their knowledge base with the membership.

Historical Information: During the 2008 RID Region V Conference in Sacramento California the membership presented and passed the RID Region V Conference Communication Policy. Motion C08:02 We move to amend the RID Region V Conference communication policy to reflect the organization's philosophy of diversity and inclusion by using direct communication in our shared language of ASL.

Within the motion, ASL is defined as the language used by D/deaf people throughout the United States that naturally contains a wide range of variation and dialects- from language that is highly visual/space-reliant, to language which is highly linear-reliant. Individuals can reference

<http://www.nad.org/issues/american-sign-language> for more information on this philosophy.

Region V determined the communication policy goal(s) would be met through efforts to:

1. Provide educational opportunities in our shared language of ASL, affording direct communication amongst conference participants.
2. Provide networking opportunities in our shared language of ASL, affording direct communication amongst conference participants.
3. Provide association related business opportunities in our shared language of ASL, affording direct communication amongst conference participants.

Seconded.

Deb Stone moved that the equal communication access motion, above referred to the board. Seconded. Passed.

Michelle Caplette-Boyle moved that the board give a report on the result of equal communication access to next membership meeting. Seconded.

Michelle Caplette-Boyle moved to withdraw the motion of giving a report. Seconded. Passed.

Emmett Hassen moved to have Preparation for NIC Test Workshop. Seconded.

Deb Stone amended to refer this motion to Professional Development Committee. Seconded. Passed.

Deb Stone moved to rescind the motion of Tom Riggs Walk of \$350. Seconded. Passed. 12-0

Juliann Wasisco moved to donate \$350 from Tom Riggs Walk fund to Mentor Program Committee. Seconded. Passed.

XI. **Announcements**

- Sherri Collins announced that the Commissioner position for Interpreter Representative is still vacant. More vacant will happen by the end of August, which will impact the quorum of next commission meeting due to several commissioners' term expiration. Collins has been contacted the Governor's office to fill the current vacant. Please feel free to send application to Governor's office and copy to ACDHH.
- Sherri Collins announced that the result of Vision Conference would be discussed at Commissioners' meeting on May 19 at noon. Then the commission meeting will be at 4:30pm.
- Juliann Wasisco: The Deaf Interpreters Group is having a workshop presented by Jack Van Rixel about how to earn CEU's at 1 pm this afternoon.
- Deb Stone announced that AzAD would have its Annual Deaf Festival on the weekend of September 23, 2011. AzAD also offers workshops included ArizonaRID workshops. ASL Film will be held on October 8, 2011.

XII. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:34pm.

____ Deb Stone _____
Deb Stone, Secretary

____ 5/5/2012 _____
Date