

ISRID Board Meeting Minutes
January 29, 2005
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order:** The quarterly meeting of the ISRID Board was held on January 29, 2005, over the ICN at several sites. Board members present: President, Mary Brandt (MB); Vice President, Judy Gouldsmith (JG); Secretary, Lisa Furney (LF); Treasurer, Sue Tyrrell (ST); Members-at-Large, David Moorman-Rice (DMR), Cindy Crawford (CC) and Jennifer Percell (JP). Visitors present: Peggy Chicoine, Carolyn Cool, Jamy Elker, Ellen Hayes, Joy Milligan and Hillary Wynn. The meeting was called to order at 10:12 a.m.
- II. Approval of Agenda:** M2005.1 Approve agenda as provided. [JG/CC/Passed]
- III. Minutes of Previous Meeting:** M2005.2 Approve the minutes of the October 8th Board meeting with corrections. [JG/CC/Passed]
- IV. Reports of Officers:**
- A) President: MB submitted a written report. JG asked for more information regarding the appointments made by the President, the President's feedback to RID, on behalf of ISRID, regarding Spanish Language Interpreter Policy, and clarification on the Legislative Task Force.
 - B) Vice-President: JG submitted a written report.
 - C) Secretary: LF submitted a written report. KKL submitted a written report as outgoing secretary.
 - D) Treasurer: LF submitted a written report as outgoing treasurer. JG asked for a more in-depth treasurer report in the future, more like what is submitted for the annual report. ST (new treasurer) said she would try to work with the software and do that.
 - E) Members-at-Large:
 - 1) DMR submitted a written report. CC asked if there was a conflict with him serving as secretary of the Licensure Board as well as participating in it. He clarified that he double checks his minutes with others in the group to come up with the final version.
 - 2) JP submitted a written report. JP is resigning her position as MAL, since she and her husband will be moving sometime this summer.
 - 3) CC submitted a written report. CC provided an update on the Silent Weekend.
- V. Committee Reports:**
- A) Professional Development Committee: KKL provided a written report.
 - 1) Final Budget Fall 2004 Conference provided by KKL: had a profit of \$310.07 making our total accumulated balance in the PDC account at \$3,682.91. (Copy of budget included with report.)
 - 2) Projected Budget Spring 2005 Conference: KKL reported that there were no details provided from the presenters to enable us to draft a working budget.

- C. Elgin has been working on securing presenters Linda Gill and Marty Barnum from the College of St. Catherine's and is working with the University of Iowa Hospitals to provide a hands-on medical workshop (see PDC report). KKL indicated that an operating budget for this conference had been previously approved so no motion was necessary at this time.
- 3) Fall Conference 2005/Silent Weekend Update: CC provided a written report (part of her MAL report) and asked board to approve sending \$100 deposit to secure our presenter. **M2005.3** That the PDC send \$100 to Mike Tuccelli for the fall conference. [JG/ST/Passed] CC will check with him about possible CDI training for the weekend as well. CC wants to set up an early registration date for fall conference. Wesley Woods needs to know how many of the 80 reserved rooms are actually booked by August 1.
 - 4) Update: PDC chair was not present (unable to participate) at that time.
- B) Publicity Committee:
- 1) Website Update: LF had no new report at this time. JG mentioned she would like to see our board meeting dates posted on the website for the future.
 - 2) Newsletter Update: articles need to be submitted to LF by February 8, 2005 with the newsletter being sent out by March 1st. Several people mentioned article ideas (Q & A column, what educational interpreters are doing, workshops put on by the DM schools, licensure). JP will write a farewell article encouraging people to attend workshops. Hillary Wynn will interview the new student representative from IWCC. CC said she would write about her online class. JG said she would write something about the licensure board and what they have 'noticed'.
- C) Mentoring: MB reported that she will be drafting an application for mentoring funds from RID. The grant is for \$2,000. The deadline is March 31, 2005. Decided not to propose legislation for funding mentoring program at this time. MB will be approaching VR, Dept. of Education and other possible sources for funding.

VI. Break — no break was taken due to time constraints.

VII. Old Business:

- A) Licensure Board Update — JG will send an article to the entire board. DMR is part of a three person committee that has met three times so far to determine the requirements for licensure. They heard a presentation from Dr. Brenda Schick on the EIPA testing. There have been no presentations heard on the QAST assessment because it is not psychometrically sound. JG reassured us that the board would not be without public input. Public hearings will be held for people to voice their questions and concerns.
- B) Educational Interpreter Representation on Licensure Board — MB submitted our letter to the governor and Pierce Wilson regarding our concern that no K-12 educational interpreter is on the board at this time. MB has not received a response to our letter. JG noted that 90% of our field is educational interpreters and that even though they can't attend the public meetings (since held during the

working school day) that they should contact Mr. Wilson directly with their comments. MB thought we could include Mr. Wilson's contact information in our next newsletter.

- C) Membership Discussion: MB really wants to come up with ideas to increase our membership base. Educational interpreters make up the majority of our professionals in Iowa, yet only a handful are members of ISRID. Iowa has about 300 educational interpreters but less than 100 ISRID members. She hopes to have some ways to encourage them to join. ST said she would be happy to help and offered to contact her local AEA office. We concluded there are about 280-300 educational interpreters in Iowa. Marsha Gunderson maintains a listing of all those persons, possibly we could get a copy of that.

VIII. New Business:

- A) Registration Fee for National RID conference for President or her delegate: MB will not be able to attend the RID conference in San Antonio this summer and would like to appoint a delegate to attend in her stead. M2005.4 To pay full registration for President or her delegate. [DMR/CC/Passed]
- B) Approve Expense for ICN for PDC meetings: C. Elgin would like to have one ICN meeting per conference with the PDC. It was a moot point to approve the meeting that will be held directly after the board meeting today, since it's already been set up. JG withdrew her motion to waive the registration fee for C. Elgin for the spring conference after some discussion against it and the fact that the board did not have adequate time for further discussion.
- C) Committees: Action not taken at board meeting. Liaisons will be chosen via e-mail later.
- D) Region IV News: MB said people will have an opportunity to apply to work at the national conference this summer. Information will appear in the next VIEWS issue. They will be eligible for either a free or reduced registration fee. Some states are tackling the issue of paying for dues with a credit card.
- E) National RID Update: NTS is working on the new testing system, which will start summer of 2005.

IX. Public Comment/Information/Announcements:

JP said she enjoyed working with us all and wished ISRID all the best in the future. MB thanked JP for all that she brought to the organization: her time, her values, her service.

X. Adjournment

Board meeting adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

Submitted by Secretary, Lisa Furney, CT