

ISRID Board Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2005
9:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order:** The quarterly meeting of the ISRID Board was held on April 8, 2005, at the University of Iowa Hospitals. Board members present: President, Mary Brandt (MB); Secretary, Lisa Furney (LF); Treasurer, Sue Tyrrell (ST); Members-at-Large, Cindy Crawford (CC) and Ellen Hayes (EH); and Student Representative, Lura King (LK). Board members absent: Vice President, Judy Gouldsmith (JG); Member-at-Large, David Moorman-Rice (DMR). Visitors present: Christine Elgin, Laura Lord, Kim Kischer-Larson, and Theresa Seiler. The meeting was called to order at 9:20 p.m.
- II. Approval of Agenda:** M2005.5 Approve agenda with item VIII. – A. changed to VIII. – C. [EH/CC/Passed]
- III. Minutes of Previous Meeting:** M2005.6 Approve the minutes of the January 29th Board meeting and authorize secretary to make the necessary corrections. [ST/CC/Passed]
- IV. Reports of Officers:**
- A) President: MB submitted a written report.
 - B) Vice-President: JG submitted a written report.
 - C) Secretary: LF submitted a written report.
 - D) Treasurer: ST submitted two written reports detailing transactions in the first three months of the year. ST also passed out reimbursement forms. Anyone wanting to be reimbursed by ISRID must have one of these filled out to turn in with receipts for items purchased for workshops, membership, etc.
 - E) Members-at-Large:
 - 1) DMR submitted a written report.
 - 2) EH submitted a written report.
 - 3) CC submitted a written report. CC provided an update on the Silent Weekend.
- V. Committee Reports:**
- A) Professional Development Committee:
 - 1) Spring Conference 2005 Report and Projected Budget: ST had to make one correction to the projected budget; there was an extra ten dollar fee for purchasing the airfare that was not included. Kim Kischer-Larson's budget shows a projected profit of \$101.38. (Copy of budget included with report.) Because grant money will be scarce in the future, Christine Elgin is trying to get some riders together for RAGBRAI to raise funds for the PDC. An announcement will be posted on our website to recruit volunteers. Another idea is to have massage therapy students come to a workshop and set up to do chair massages. They are reasonably priced, and we could possibly use this as a fundraiser as well. MB mentioned that a spring 2006 workshop may

need to be geared for mentor training but that this may be separate from the PDC. Laura Lord suggested partnering with IAD to host a workshop for deaf and hearing mentors.

- 2) Fall Conference 2005/Silent Weekend Update: CC contacted Linda Krog about the ITP grant money but has not heard back yet. Kim Kischer-Larson has agreed to contact her about this and see if it's still available for the fall. When CC gets more specific information from Dr. Sign about the workshops she will forward that on to Kim. With a dual track workshop as this is, we can apply for double funding.
- B) Publicity Committee:
- 1) Website Update: LF reported that Gary Beck would like us to find someone else to run the website. He will continue updating our website until we find someone else. He had also submitted an invoice for a year's worth of website updates. M2005.7 Pay Gary Beck for work done from March 2004 to March 2005. [EH/ST/Passed]
 - 2) Newsletter Update: Articles need to be submitted to LF by May 8, 2005 with the newsletter being sent out by June 1st. Laura will look into using a different format possibly or a lighter stock of paper for the next newsletter. We had several pages this last time, and the weight cost us more in postage.
- C) Mentoring: MB sent the application in for the mentoring grant. No other organizations have confirmed financial support of the program yet. Only one grant is awarded per region. The money is split; half is given to start and half given later. MB is hoping to get monies from the Dept. of Education, which in turn would motivate VR and other organizations to contribute as well. There are only 43 certified interpreters in the state of Iowa at this time.

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

VII. Old Business:

- A) Approve Expenses for ICN for PDC meeting(s) — Christine Elgin deferred to CC to decide if we really needed to approve this expense at this time. CC said she didn't think so since most of her planning for the fall conference will be utilizing interpreters in the DM area. CC will keep Christine updated as plans progress. MB asked EH to research cost of ICN rooms across the state and report back at the July meeting.
- B) Region IV News — The national conference is in San Antonio in July. The site for the 2006 Region IV conference has not been determined yet, but smaller states may be forced to partner up and work together on this. There is \$5000 seed money to get them started.
- C) National RID Update— There is a motion before the national board to recognize and include the EIPA in the list of certifications. Iowa is right in line with this since the Licensure Board has looked into this as well.
- D) Licensure Board Update – A public hearing was held on April 5th. Pierce Wilson did not really encourage people to attend that hearing, instead suggested sending their comments to him. The board was not present for the hearing; comments were just stated or read aloud.

- E) Committees – Appoint Chairs and Designate Liaisons: MB listed the liaisons in her report. Not much has been done since we don't have many committees up and running at this time. The liaisons are only the board contact person, not committee chairs. Comments/concerns should be funneled through the appropriate committee chair(s) and then brought to the board via the liaison.

VIII. New Business:

- A) Minutes on Web Site – We would like to have our meeting minutes posted on the web. We can approve the minutes via email and then note that as an addendum to the previous board minutes. When they are sent, please reply to *all* and show what changes need to be made. **M2005.8** Post minutes on the web site after the board has approved them via email within thirty days of the meeting. [ST/EH/Passed] The Publicity Committee should also discuss protocol for messages via email, phone, etc. If a policy is written, then the board could review and approve it.
- B) Certification Descriptions on Web Site – **M2005.9** Table VIII. B. [LF/ST/Passed]
- C) Conference Tables and Displays – MB feels this is a Publicity Committee issue to research what is appropriate to charge, define who a vendor is, how to advertise this, how to make it fair for all, etc. That committee would then be in charge of the tables for the conference, coordinating with the PDC about space available. JG sent comments to MB prior to the meeting. She felt that regardless if someone is trying to make money or to recruit, there should be a fee for tables requested at a conference. EH felt it was appropriate to limit the number of tables, based on space and when the request was made. **M2005.10** Have Publicity Committee investigate appropriate measures and protocol for vendors at ISRID conferences and to report back with recommendations at the July board meeting. [ST/CC/Passed] Laura Lord is willing to serve on this committee. Please send comments regarding the vendor issue to her by April 30th.

IX. Public Comment/Information/Announcements:

ST thanked Kim Kischer-Larson for assisting with our meeting as parliamentarian.

X. Adjournment

Board meeting adjourned at 10:57 p.m.

Submitted by Secretary, Lisa Furney, CT