



**ISRID Board Meeting  
March 30, 2007  
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
Des Moines, IA**

### **Minutes**

- I. Call to Order:** ISRID's quarterly Board meeting was held on March 30, 2007 at the ISRID Spring Conference at Mercy Hospital in Des Moines, IA. Members present were: President, Mary Brandt (MB); Vice President, Lisa Furney (LF); Secretary, Laura Lord (LL); Treasurer, Sue Tyrrell (ST); Member at Large, Ellen Hayes (EH); Member at Large, Jeff Reese (JR) and Member at Large, Audrae Wear (AW). Visitors attending were: Jennifer Taylor, Theresa Legg, Hugh Prickett, Theresa Seiler, Carrie Wood, Tara Von Walden, Stephanie Lyons and Karen Potter-Maxwell. The meeting was called to order at 4:08 pm
- II. Approve Agenda:** M2007.07 Agenda was approved [JR/LF/Passed unanimously]
- III. Minutes Approved:** M2007.06 The minutes of the February 3, 2007 meeting were approved by the Board via e-mail vote. [LF/EH/Passed with 5 support and 1 abstention]
- IV. Board Reports:**
  - a. *President:* MB submitted a written report. She stated that approximately 50 registrations for the Spring Conference were received electronically. We currently do not have the capability to accept credit cards and need to look into this option for future workshops. MB will be representing ISRID at the Deaf Day at the Capitol event. Any suggestions on how to best convey the mission of ISRID are appreciated. MB mentioned that funding may be available from the Department of Education in the fall to use for mentoring.
  - b. *Vice President:* LF submitted a written report
  - c. *Secretary:* LL submitted a written report.
  - d. *Treasurer:* ST submitted a written report. The balance does not include banking fees that were charged because mail is still being sent to the

former treasurer. \$5635.00 will be deposited after the conference for registrations; \$7150.00 will be paid out to interpreters for the conference. The \$5000.00 grant is included in the current balance but presenter costs have not been deducted yet. ST will keep the Board updated with the final balance as the conference budget is finalized. ST stated that a few times, a membership check has been returned to the bank for Non-Sufficient Funds (NSF). ISRID is being charged a NSF fee each time this happens.

**M2007.08** A motion was made to charge members \$20.00 for NSF check returns. [ST/EH/Passed unanimously]

- e. *Members-At-Large*:
  - 1. EH submitted a written report.
  - 2. JR submitted a written report. There are currently 131 members of ISRID. LL asked if ISRID will be sending out reminders to members to renew their membership. It was recommended that a postcard be developed referring members to the website or contacting a board member for renewal. JR will send something out at the end of May.
  - 3. AW submitted a written report.

#### **V. Committee Reports:**

- a. *Professional Development*: Jennifer Taylor stated that there are 210 registrants for the conference. She will submit a post-conference report. Kim Kischer-Larson is currently working on the Fall Conference.
- b. *Publicity*: JR made a few suggestions for website updates. It is still hard to navigate. Any ideas are welcome. The next deadline for newsletter articles is May 3<sup>rd</sup>. The topic is licensure.
- c. *Finance* No report at this time
- d. *Hospitality* No report at this time
- e. *Legislative* No report at this time
- f. *Nominations*: Member at Large positions will be open for nominations at the fall conference.
- g. MB noted that many of the committees are not active. A sub-committee consisting of MB, LL and Tara Von Walden was assigned to review the function and need of each committee.

**VI. Break:** No break was taken

#### **VII. Old Business:**

- a. *Pay-Pal for Website*: ISRID was supposed to have a trial run at using this system but it fell through for the Spring Conference. Hopefully we can try this technology for the Fall Conference. This issue will be tabled until after the Fall Conference.
- b. *Mentoring Workshops*: ISRID currently has \$6500 for mentoring in the budget. Previous mentoring workshops were not well attended. MB met with Katherine Bauman-Reese & Karen Potter-Maxwell to discuss what to

do. There was a suggestion to collaborate with Nebraska. Another idea was to have the previous mentoring presenters do several workshops around the state in a week. MB talked with Marsha Gunderson and found that the Department of Education has about \$20,000.00 for mentoring. Protocols for using the money have not been established yet. DSCO has determined that only 29% of interpreters in Iowa hold a permanent license. ISRID needs to look at where is the biggest need is at for mentoring. Any feedback or suggestions are appreciated. Theresa Seiler recommends more workshops about what the EIPA is. Tara Von Walden recommends workshops on how to assess weaknesses. AW notices that interpreters do not seem to understand the terminology they get with EIPA results. Theresa Seiler recommends more branched workshops, possibly a mentoring group that would take turns evaluating each others work. LL recommended maybe using ICN to spread out the workshops..

- c. *ISRID Display Board*: JR unveiled the new display board for ISRID. It looks great!

### **VIII. New Business:**

- a. *RID Region IV*: There was a conference call in February. Several motions were passed that affect the affiliate chapters. In order to support Region IV fundraising efforts it was moved that each affiliate chapter donate \$.25 for each member and .05% of fundraising efforts to the Region IV fund. These funds will be used for retreats, scholarships, conferences, etc. It was determined that if ISRID donates \$.25 for each member, the total would be \$32.75. .05% of our fundraising efforts comes to \$33.75. **M2007.09** A motion was made to support Region IV with fundraising monies and \$.25 for each member. [EH/ST/passed unanimously].
- b. *RID National*: There will be voting at the national conference. Please review the motions in the RID Views.
- c. *PR Opportunity for 2008*: JR mentioned that Iowa Public Television will be calling ISRID in January 2008 to ask us to answer phones during their telethon.
- d. *Representative to National Conference*: LF stated that historically, ISRID will pay for a Board member's registration costs to go to the RID National Conference. **M2007.10** It is moved that we send the president of ISRID to the national conference, paying the registration costs. If she can not attend, she will appoint someone to replace her. [LF/EH/Withdrawn] **M2007.11** A motion was made that ISRID give a \$500.00 stipen to a chosen representative of ISRID to attend the RID 2007 National Conference. [ST/LF/Passed unanimously] **M2007.12** It is moved that the delegate chosen be the president. If she can not attend, the president will choose another delegate. [EH/JR/Passed unanimously]

### **IX. Public Comment, Information & Announcements:** None at this time

### **X. Adjourn:** Meeting was adjourned at 5:49 pm

- XI. Addendum: M2007.13** A motion was made via e-mail to purchase a Compact Portable Desktop Laminator for \$102.93 for use by ISRID. [EH/LF/passed] (4/26/07)
- XII. Addendum: M2007.15** A motion was made via e-mail to renew the contract with Pass-It-On-Services for the newsletter and website hosting/development for another year. [JR/EH/passed] (4/26/07)
- XIII. Addendum: M2007.16** A motion was made via e-mail that the PDC proceed with the 2007 Fall Conference based on the information provided in the e-mail. [JR/LF/passed with 4 support/2 abstain] (7/19/07)