



**ISRID Board Meeting
January 26, 2008
10:00 a.m.
Des Moines, IA**

Minutes

- I. **Call to Order:** ISRID's quarterly Board meeting was held at the home of Jeff Reese in Des Moines, IA. Board members present were: President, Mary Brandt (MB); Vice President, Lisa Furney (LF); Secretary, Laura Lord (LL); Treasurer, Carrie Wood (CW); Member at Large, Jeff Reese (JR); Member at Large, Joe Trelstad (JT) and Member at Large, Audrae Wear (AW). The meeting was called to order at 10:07 am.
- II. **Approve Agenda:** M2008.1 Motion to accept the agenda as written.
[JR/LF/passed]
- III. **Minutes Approved:** M2008.2 Motion to approve the minutes with changes.
[LF/JT/passed]
- IV. **Board Reports:**
 - a. *President:* Submitted written report. MB also reminded the Board to refer licensure questions to Pierce Wilson.
 - b. *Vice President:* Submitted written report.
 - c. *Secretary:* Submitted written report.
 - d. *Treasurer:* CW met with the former treasurer and everything has been switched over at the bank. The decision was made to convert the treasurer files from Microsoft Access to Quicken. CW volunteered to develop a manual for future treasurers so the change between treasurers occurs more smoothly. Due to all of the changes, an exact balance is not available at this time but is estimated to be about \$23,000. CW will also be taking registrations for the Spring Conference. LL offered to help.
 - e. *Members-At-Large:*
 1. JT has been researching new webmasters since we will be without in March. Most companies won't take over an existing

website. The cost to have new service is about \$12,000. Our current web-host www.crazyhorse.com will continue service, but we need to make sure contact, billing and authorization is in ISRID's name. JT, LF & LL will develop a request for and send an email to the membership at the beginning of February. Bids should be received by March 1, 2008. MB will forward the current contract with PIOS to use as a resource and encouraged Board members to check with any resources or contacts they may have. The Board would like to maintain the content we currently have but make it more user friendly. We would also like to maintain the ability to receive membership applications and conference registrations via the website. If we can, include the newsletter in the bid too.

2. AW has been involved with the IMP committee. She is currently receiving mentoring services and acting as a mentor to local interpreters.
3. JR submitted written report. He has finished the audit for July 2006 – 2007 and is now passing the information on to LL for a second check.

V. Committee Reports:

- a. *Professional Development*: Submitted a written report. JT, board liaison, noted that the PDC has not met yet but will be holding a conference call at 1:00 pm today. MB reminded the PDC to make sure all grant requirements are met. JT asked for any presenter/topic suggestions for the 2008 Fall Conference.
- b. *Publicity*: IPTV has asked for our help answering phones during their telethon. JR will pick a date and ask the membership for volunteers.
- c. *Finance*: Sue Tyrrell will be heading up this committee. Not a lot of work has been done yet but they plan to take off next quarter. A silent auction is being looked into for the 2008 Fall Conference.
- d. *Hospitality*: No report at this time.
- e. *Legislative*: No report at this time.
- f. *Nominations*: Not active at this time

VI. Old Business

- a. *Iowa Mentoring Program*: MB, LF, AW, Cindy Crawford, Marsha Gunderson, Kathryn Baumann-Reese and representatives from the ITPs met in August. Trainings from Boys Town have been set up through the ICN. The December training was well attended despite weather with approximately 45 in attendance. Amy Cook will be the presenter for the June workshop. Kathryn Baumann-Reese & MB will present on processing for the February 11th workshop. They are still in need of a presenter for May. There has been a lack of response from the ITPs. LL volunteered to find out about the "Teaching Adults" class that Kirkwood agreed to provide to presenters.

- b. *Committee Review:* The Board will review the by-laws and re-visit the restructuring at the next meeting.
- c. *Laptop:* After some research and discussion, it has been decided that ISRID needs to have Word, Excel, Power Point and Quicken in order to have necessary functionality from the laptop. **M2008.3** It is moved that after researching system requirements and needed software, we raise the minimum amount to \$1500 for the purchase of a laptop. [JR/LL/Passed]

VII. New Business

- a. *RID Region IV:* Sue Tyrrell attended the Region IV retreat and submitted a written report. RIV would like to have a website, but RID National wants each region to have one page on their site. There are concerns regarding the content limitations and timeliness of updates.
- b. *RID National:* – There are some complaints about testing results taking too long. There were also incorrect listings of newly certified members in the RID Views. Members should write letters to RID voicing their concerns.
- c. *Nebraska Deaf Expo:* Karen Potter-Maxwell has invited ISRID to share a booth with the NERID at the Deaf Expo in Omaha in April. The cost for the table is \$150 and would be split between the two organizations. It was suggested that this is a nice way to partner with NE since we are working with them to develop our mentoring program. There is also the possibility of recruiting mentors and we can also encourage participants to attend the 2009 Spring Conference that will be held on the west side of the state. **M2008.4** A motion to pay \$75 to share a table with NERID. [LL/JT/Passed].
- d. *ITP Subcommittee:* Karlene Kischer-Browne, Amber Tucker & Deanna Heit are on this committee. They have issues they would like to address but are working on developing clear goals and action plans. They plan to report at the next meeting.
- e. *Deaf Day at the Capitol:* Howie Kent has asked for ISRID to sponsor. MB is asking for volunteers to interpret for any Deaf who wish to speak with their representatives at this event. MB will find out the date and solicit volunteers.
- f. *Newsletter:* The deadline for next newsletter is Feb 15. JR will be backup newsletter creator if things fall through with the website/newsletter. AW will be sending hard copies to members who requested it and will be the featured Board member for this newsletter.
- g. *MAAD:* There is a request for sponsorship at the MAAD event in Council Bluffs in April. The Board regretfully declines sponsorship at this time. LL will write a letter in response to their request.

VIII. Public Comment, Information & Announcements

- a. The CATIE Center is holding a leadership symposium for the states in the Midwest. A representative from ISRID (preferably the president) has been invited to attend. Meals and hotel costs are paid for and a travel

stipend of \$300 is offered. A second person can attend at the cost of ISRID. The symposium is held the same weekend as the 2008 Spring Conference. No decision has been made at this time but the Board is in support of whatever the president decides. LL also expressed interest in attending if needed.

IX. **Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 12:57 p.m.