

Maine RID Board Meeting

Conference call

9/24/08

Agenda:

1) Board Vacancy's

- a. Northern Rep – Responsibilities
- b. New CMP Coordinator

2) Board Restructure:

- a. Membership coordinator
- b. Treasurer
- c. Ex Officio (non voting)
- d. Members at large
- e. CMP Coordinator
- f. 2 Student Reps
- g. Prof Dev Chair ?
- h. Scholarship Chair ?

3) By Laws

- a. New Board Structure
- b. Policy and Procedure Manual – Former decisions? Who?
- c. Board Removal Policy

4) Workshops:

- a. Scheduling – lack of participation, Deadlines must be adhered to
- b. Development of Guidelines for workshops between Board and Planner
- c. \$5 workshops

Maine RID has a good deal of money in the back. We need to discuss how to spend down some (maybe \$2K) of the funds to benefit our members. I would like to see Maine RID enhance its reputation.

5) Survey Monkey

- a. Carols assignment
- b. RT summarize results for the retreat

6) Website

- a. Visual Update at Retreat
- b. Paypal and credit cards
- c. Membership renewal – up

7) 2 Personal/Professional Goals prior to June 30, 2009:

- a. Letter

1. Jillian McLaughlin

- a. Website redesign to make user friendly and central point
- b. Badges
- c. \$5 workshop series - Ethics

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Members attending: Jillian, Lisa, Regan, Luce, Debbie (joined later)

Regan brought up issues regarding Licensure – licensure does not mean an interpreter is qualified to interpret, it simply means they have enough hours to obtain a license. Only Certified interpreters should be accepting medical assignments.

Meryl is working on Licensure Legislation agenda. She will bring info to the board at a later date.

EIPA update at general meeting by Jillian: Issues with SC:L written qualification if have EIPA Certification: HOT TOPIC and Jillian will update us on soon.

Rebecca and Carol resigned.

No Northern Rep right now. Will advertise position and includes setting up Northern Maine workshops etc. Luce posted vacancy on the website.

Neither Stacey nor Cid is able to take over CMP Coordinator position when Ann resigns. Janet is possibility Regan will touch base with her.

The new structure of MaineRID does not work: Education, Legal, etc... Regan feels it is just not enough time. Luce & Lisa not enough time on the new structure: Meryl and Roseanne not present, their opinion is pending.

Laura Verrill was brought up for Educational Interpreter Rep position. Shannon Locke was another name brought up.

Deaf interpreter Rep should focus on DI needs and not consumer needs. Regan would prefer to be that rep. Jillian will discuss more with her.

Bylaws: Policy/Procedure: there is no manual but decisions have been made without

manual. Luce will contact Cid to see if all the research is currently electronic. If yes then Luce will evaluate the amount and divide up amongst vol board members. Lisa and Regan volunteered to help go thru old minutes and jot down old votes.

Workshops: Need to develop guidelines for setting up workshops.

Problems: what to use the money for ... money was there, not using it?

One person needs to know and keep track of cancelation policy per the presenter: also the budget needs to be submitted to Luce/treasurer. Regan recommended that someone from Board should attend workshops just to say "HI" and represent the Board. Jillian recommended a Professional Dev Group. Luce agreed.

We need formula clarification for scholarship monies. Regan said Victor has formula but Luce said it is not being followed. Jillian will bring this up for the board retreat. Luce will post formula to yahoo group.

Who is onboard for rescheduling Legal Workshop AND willing to work: Lisa, Luce, Stacey (via word of mouth), Debbie, Regan, Jillian, Meryl (by Luce recollection): Jillian will contact Stacey who will contact Carla to schedule spring event.

Re: Betsy: Will set up Betsy Reifman leadership Award: Must be thinking of requirements and wording of this award.

\$5 workshop series: Jillian will start with Medical Ethics. 2-3 hours. Perk for being a Member only. Details handled at retreat. Focus also needs to be more on how to pull Deaf interpreters more into the workshops.

Regan will give update from Deaf Interpreters on being involved in teaching and other leadership roles for hearing interpreters.

Regan will compile data from surveys on workshop topics and individual members willing to perform various roles related to putting on workshops and bring the findings to the board retreat.

Luce has researched using paypal vs credit card payment as an option for registering for workshops. Credit card is not feasible due to credit and individual liability issues. Paypal looks like a viable option and Luce will bring it to the board retreat for discussion. There is some concern that advertising and spamming emails might be generated.

Membership renewal- every three years??

After retreat, think of two personal or professional goals of what we (individually) would want to accomplish between now and the end of our tenure.

Deb will find out if tables are still available for the Deaf Culture Festival; Regan will schedule volunteers and Luce will post a solicitation on webiste. If there are not enough volunteers, we will do a silent auction.

Regan and Deb will check with Vicki Munro-Ludders and Laura Verrill about possible educational interpreter rep. Regan will also check with Suzette about the northern rep position.

A member has asked for scholarship assistance in taking the EIPA exam. Luce found guidelines for rural educational interpreter fund that say scholarships are not to be used for exams. We will make a decision on the 4th, but we are leaning toward declining the request.