

General Membership Meeting Minutes

September 2, 2017

Present: Cheri Courtright, Katelyn Wilson, Ashley Beaty, Nick Winchell, Doug Watson, Linda Stauffer, Zania Musteen, Betty Abrams, Wendell McIntosh, Sharon Rankin, Bobbie Ann Walker, Gwen Carpenter, Vie Smith, Jen Powers, Keri McPheron, John West, Will Gorum, Starla Roberts, Madison Christie, Kyra Hawkins, Bailey Adams, Sydney Morriss, Elise Redding, Catherine Kornikesh, Leslie Thomas, Jaa'lon Baker, AnnMarie Lott, Meagan Beaty, Clint Brockway, Myra Taff-Watson, Brian McKenny

I. Call to Order - 11:07am

II. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of Biennial Minutes – GM17.10 Motion to approve the Biennial minutes. (Gorum, Courtright) PASSED

Board Reports

A. President -

1. **RID Conference** - Katelyn discussed the external interpreting tests motion that was made at RID Conference. Katelyn discussed the workshops she and Cheri attended during the conference. Workshops were related to Power and Privilege and Community Relationships.
2. **ARID/Deaf Community Relationship** - ARID board was invited to attend the AAD board meeting in September.
3. **Committee Chairs** - Keri McPheron will take on position of chair for the Fundraising Committee. Bailey Adams and Jami De La Cruz joined the Sunshine Committee.

Rebecca Davis is new Nominations Committee.

4. **2018 RID Region IV Conference** - Albuquerque, NM. July 19-22, 2018. Region IV is asking each affiliate chapter to sponsor at least one workshop. ARID board recommends that we send financial support. Members will decide how much money to send. Board recommends sending money in January. Discussion regarding how supporting the conference will benefit ARID members. Michael moves to send this issue to the fundraising committee to see how much we can raise and how much we need from our budget. Will Gorum seconds. Motion passes. Registration for the conference is available online.

B. Vice President –

1. Cheri encourages everyone to become more involved with the Deaf community.

2. **RID Certification Update** - CDIs are upset that the CDI test is still on moratorium. Discussion regarding developing a new testing system is underway. People want more feedback when getting test results. Discussion was made that RID and CASLI split while CASLI manages testing and RID handles CMP, workshops, conferences, etc. There is discussion regarding revising the CPC.

3. **Mentorship** - Membership voiced a need for a mentorship program. Mentors will help bridge the gap from graduation to the work force. Will Gorum discussed the need for Deaf feedback. He also discussed the need to have training for mentors. Cheri discussed the need for language mentors as well as interpreting mentors. Cheri wants to see a program established here. Mike discussed that if we set up a mentorship program; it needs to have a permanent committee. Clint

discussed that as we set up a committee that's a perfect time to connect with the Deaf community for their involvement. Myra said that a standing committee has to be added to the bylaws. GM17.11 Motion that ARID set up an adhoc committee to evaluate establishing a mentorship program (Brockway, Gorum) PASSED

C. Treasurer

1. Proposed Budget – GM17.12 Motion to accept the proposed budget. (Gorum, M. Beaty) PASSED

D. MAL 3

1. Interpreter Request Emails - The Board needs to know how to respond to interpreter requests. Does anyone have any ideas? Will suggests sending a link to the ARS and RID lists as well as sending them contact information for agencies. Linda agrees that we can't become responsible for maintaining a list of interpreters. John West recommends establishing a website with interpreter information. Will disagrees. Meagan mentions that our licensure also has interpreter information so providing a link there will help hearing people to understand the qualifications for each credential level. Clint mentions adding the ARID organizational members to a list to be provided for requests. Ashley ends the discussion for now.

2. Calendar of Events - Will mentions that the calendar is wonderful. Katelyn says the same. Mike mentions the form on the ARID webpage where people can make suggestions of events to be added to the calendar.

3. Who's Interpreting in Your Backyard? - September 7, 7:00pm in ASD Tornado Shelter.

IV. Unfinished Business

A. Organizational Membership - Most other chapters have a \$100 cost for organizational memberships. Myra wants to know who would join? Mike said he would. Clint clarified that organizations were already asking to join as an organizational member so ARID is trying to give them what they're asking for. Linda asked what the benefits are for organizational members. GM 17.13 Motion that our organizational membership cost is \$100 a year (McMahon, Brockway) 2 in opposition. PASSED

V. New Business

A. Shirley Herald Award - Katelyn says the requirements for nominations need updating. Myra recommends we have an adhoc committee to revise outdated information. GM 17.14 Motion to set up an AdHoc committee to recommend changes to outdated information and criteria. (Taff-Watson, Courtright) PASSED

B. Other -

VI. Announcements

VII. Adjourn – GM17.15 Motion to adjourn the meeting (A. Beaty, Courtright)

Meeting adjourned at 1:02pm.