

Mile High Meeting March 17, 2007

Call to Order - 9:06am

Introductions

Dora Veith (President), Lorae Merritt (Treasurer), Kari Baker (Secretary), Wanda Knighton, Devon Finnman, Rod Voris, Penny Green, Susan Faltinson, Shawn Goodwin Miller, Tricia Frank, and students Dawn Mabry, Amber Schneider, Brenda Chamberland, and Stephanie Basile.

Reports

Secretary – **Motion:** to approve the January 2007 minutes (Finnman/Chamberland) **Motion carried.**

President

If anyone bought a pin at the RIV conference and the check has not cleared yet, see Dora

Board donations (from 2/17 and 3/10 meetings):

- Granted additional funds to the LIC at the 2/17 meeting, but at the 3/10 meeting, it was found that the money is no longer needed by LIC
- Donated \$500 to CAD for a parliamentary workshop to be given by Libby Pollard on 3/31. Workshop is free to all CRID members
- Agreed to support CAD through an organizational sponsorship
- Donated \$1000 to purple hair fundraiser (\$500 for Amie, \$500 for Lynda) that will go toward the RMDS building fund. CRID will also sponsor a booth at the RMDS festival.
- \$100 to BLeGIT for a pre-conference symposium they are hosting before the RID conference.

Decision on whether or not to form a standing social committee is still pending. Picnic ad hoc committee is set – Jen Sweeny is chair.

CRID officers' retreat is July 20-22 – all incoming and outgoing officers requested to attend.

CRID Conference Update:

- CRID conference will be in collaboration with Wyoming RID. Both CO and WYO were awarded the MARIE (Mid-America Regional Interpreter Educators) scholarship for \$1,000 each.
- Business meeting will be in English
- Banquet will be formal – Criddie Awards (like Oscars)

Issues to come up at the annual business meeting at the CRID conference:

- The problems with spoken language interpreting agencies trying to provide sign language interpreter services. Terri Jaussi and Shawn Goodwin Miller are drafting a position statement to be presented to members.
- RIV has asked state affiliates to donate monies that will be used for a president's retreat \$0.25 per member, this request will be brought before the annual business meeting for member decision. The second request, 5% of fundraising money not earmarked for other purposes, was declined by the board.

CRID MH elections: both the Vice President and Treasurer positions are open – these are both two year terms. The current VP and treasurer are willing to run again, but welcome other nominations.

Signing Snow Day event raised approximately \$3,500 that will be split between CRID state and RMDS.

Items that the board tabled for the next state board meeting:

- Should CRID reimburse mileage to the two affiliate officers from each affiliate (excluding MH) who attend the state board meetings? Currently, only WS officers are reimbursed.
- CRID state has over \$14,000 in savings – should \$10,000 be put into a Money Market account?
- Should conference planning become the responsibility of a standing state committee? (It would still rotate to each affiliate location).

Treasurer

\$10,086.45 (as of March 9,2007)

Proposed Budget for 2007-2008 discussion (will be voted on it at the May MH meeting)

- Increase the line item for state officers to attend conference to \$600, as almost \$700 was spent this year.
- The line item for food for the state board meeting may not be needed, as this may be a state expense. **Action Item:** Lorae will contact Genie about reimbursement
- Change donations/scholarships to \$1,000. Anything above that amount can be decided per individual motions.
- **Motion:** Move that we add a line item in the budget for \$500 to support the CRID conference (Frank/Green). **Motion Carried.**
- Hospitality budget – Shawn suggested that we budget approximately \$400 for next year based on what was spent last year (needs to include food, cards, postage for cards, etc).

Committee Reports

Fundraising

- Purple Hair Fund Update: Lynda: 1,107.50; Amie: 1284.50; Total: 2,392.00
- Spaghetti Dinner raised: \$445.36 – given to Dove through the Vagina Monologues
- Workshops – this is our only fundraiser, now that we have stopped King Soopers and eSCRIP

Professional Development

Code of Conduct Workshop is slated for the end of August or beginning of September by Linda McGill (she has declined an honorarium; perhaps we can give her a gift instead!)

Action Item: Shawn will contact Sorenson about sponsoring this workshop

Randy Thress offered to give a medical workshop. **Action Item:** Shawn will follow up.

SCRID

FRCC SCRID - ASL Spatial Structure Workshop on April 7th by Valentino Vasquez; deadline to register is March 31st. The day of the workshop there will be a drawing.

SCRID will donating SCRID t-shirts to state conference for auction

Action Item: Dora will check if SCRID can share the CRID booth at the RMDS festival to sell shirts, give out program brochures, etc.

PP SCRID is working to get NTID to come to Colorado. They have earned enough through fundraising to send 7 students to the state conference and are looking for CRID support to send some students to the national conference

CQSI - no representatives present

Unfinished Business

Action Item: Bonding MH President and Treasurer

- Dora found that this would have to be purchased through the insurance company that CRID state uses (Brown & Brown). Through this company, we could bond 10 people for up to \$50,000 for \$200/year (this would include all affiliate presidents and treasurers).
- It does require some sort of credit/background check, so Bylaws or Policies and Procedures would have to be amended. This seems like a good idea, because if something happens unexpectedly with the organizational funds, we have recourse – the organization's money would be protected.

Action Item: Dora will research who would pay for the background checks

Action Item: Dora will bring the issue of bonding affiliate presidents and treasurers to state board.

Previous Action Items Update:

- Contact Ann about creating a resource list for skill development for the newsletter (Dora) was referred to the chair of the *CRID...In Touch*
- Bring MH member concerns to the state board that the retreat should be rescheduled (Dora) is now moot, as the state was already starting to reschedule.
- Contact CRID conference planning committee regarding a caucus at the 2007 conference (Dora): due to scheduling considerations, the caucus has been postponed to the 2008 state conference.
- Email Dan Burch's phone number to Cassie (Dora) – DONE
- Put together a list of how much the MH hospitality committee has spent this year (Shawn) - DONE

New Business

MH contribution to CRID Northern for conference sponsorship

Motion: I make a motion to donate \$500 to CRID northern in support of their conference (Goodwin Miller/Finnman) **Motion Carried.**

MH Scholarship Committee

- The state Bylaws say members should first approach their local affiliates for scholarships, but local affiliates currently do not have scholarships available.
- If MH set up a committee, we would be duplicating what the state already has in place – we would be spreading ourselves too thin. MH is not in support of setting up a MH scholarship committee.
- Do we even need local affiliates anymore? Should we just become one state chapter again? We could create the position of a communications officer – someone responsible for disseminating information. If we do this, the mission of MH may be more focused on social events.

Request for donation

- Naomi McCowan contacted each local affiliate to donate money to help with a weeklong training in June at CSDB for educational interpreters.
- MH wants to first check with other affiliates, and see what they are thinking, get more information from the planners – it is a partnership with CDE – can they pay? This should go to the state board for consideration, rather than to each affiliate.
- MH would rather pay for registrations of a few MH members, rather than donate to the event.

Door Prizes to business meeting

Action Items:

- Shawn will see what she has leftover from last year
- Devon/Penny – look into Mary Kay gift basket
- Dora will make a certificate Gift Certificate so one person can have their registration fee waived to one of our workshops

Hospitality for May meeting

Thanks to Devon and Lorae for bringing food for today's meeting

May 19th is the date for the next meeting, but it falls on the same day as the RMDS Festival

Action Item: Dora will ask Jamie to contact RMDS – see if we can use a room briefly before the festival begins (9-10:30am, but should be a short meeting – mainly for approval of the MH budget).

If we have the meeting at the Spring Festival, no hospitality will be needed.

Announcements:

- RMDS festival needs volunteers
- MH received one scholarship application for the conference – Dawn Mabry is awarded registration to the state conference (there may be one application coming in late from a PP student).
- Penny and Devon just took over as co-chairs for the state FRPR committee. Penny stepped down when she became state VP, and Devon no longer wants to do it alone, so is looking for a new chair. It was suggested Devon contact Suzanne Hunter as a possible chair.
- One member is looking for professional disability insurance – Marsh no longer provides it for new people. No one had any ideas...except to contact RID to see if they have another provider?

Meeting Closed at 11:10 am

Action Items Recap:

- Lorae will contact Genie about reimbursement to MH for state board food expenses.
- Shawn will contact Sorenson about sponsoring the Code of Professional Conduct workshop.
- Shawn will follow up on the medical workshop information.
- Shawn will see what she has leftover from last year for a door prize for the conference.
- Devon/Penny – look into Mary Kay gift basket for a door prize for the conference.
- Dora will check if SCRID can share the CRID booth at the RMDS festival.
- Dora will research who would pay for the background checks of bond insurance.
- Dora will bring the issue of bonding affiliate presidents and treasurers to state board.
- Dora will make a certificate Gift Certificate so one person can have their registration fee waived to one of our workshops to use as a door prize for the conference.
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