

# CRID Mile High Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2007

**Call to Order:** 9:04am

**Present:** Dora Veith (President), Jamie Eisele (VP), Lorae Merritt (Treasurer), Kari Baker (Secretary), Becky Knott, Laura Odum, Maribeth Lavender, Jenny Ballew, Lynda Rimmel, Teresa Hunter, Danelle Jansen, Dawn Mabry (and Becky Konjevod and Susan Faltinson joined for the last part of the meeting).

**Motion:** To accept the September 15, 2007 minutes (Ballew/Odum). **Motion Carried.**

## **President's Report**

**CRID State Monies:** Checking: \$8,404.38; Available funds in Checking: \$6,736.43  
Savings: \$13,486.01

- Scholarship \$2,956.50
- LIC \$2,986.68
- Mentoring \$4,020.00
- Available CRID Funds in Savings Account: \$3,522.83

**CRID Conference 2008:** "You Can Get there From Here" April 25-27 in Grand Junction

**Motion:** Move that Mile High donate \$500 to the 2008 Conference (Jansen/Eisele). **Motion Carried.**

- Affiliate Caucus – may be held Friday night. One topic that could be discussed is CRID MH Values – what are they - professional development, contributions to the Deaf community, etc.
- Conference Interpreter Package (motion referred to the State Board at last year's business meeting) – Kari is researching.

**RIV Conference:** June 25-29, 2008 in Houston. Go to [www.tsid.org](http://www.tsid.org) for information.

**Bond Insurance** – the state board decided to make it a line item for the 2008 FY

**Website** – a consultant (MJ Williams) volunteered her time to come to the state board meeting to give the board ideas on to make our website more effective. Also, pictures are needed to post to the website – we first need to check if there are any privacy considerations.

**CRID...In Touch** will now be distributed electronically through a secured link that will be sent out to members. Members may have the option of a printed copy – contact Dora with your preference.

**Membership:** 103 people have renewed their membership (as of 11/10/07). Those who have not yet renewed will receive one more newsletter.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Total (as of 11/15/07): \$7,304.50

## **Committee Reports:**

**Hospitality** – continues to send cards to members when we hear about events in their lives.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spaghetti Dinner:** February 1, 2007, 5-8pm at Green Mountain United Methodist Church, cost is \$8/person, and there will be an open stage.

## Professional Development

- March 1<sup>st</sup> workshop is in the works. Lunch will be “on your own” and the workshop will be provided at cost to participants.
- Code of Conduct Workshop was a success! MH may partner with CAD to bring that same presenter (Linda Gill) to explain the grievance process.  
Member suggestion: do a series of medical workshops for advanced interpreters, and one on deictic markers
- For the Medical Interpreting Workshop, the expectations of the participants were not consistent with the presentation topics. For future advanced workshops, we will strictly enforce that participants have at least 5 years of experience or RID certification.
- Navigating the GAP – this will be a pilot program for interpreters between graduation from an IPP and certification. 30 interpreters will be accepted – 10 recent graduates and 20 working pre-certified interpreters. This is for community based interpreters (there are already resources available for interpreters in the education setting who want to improve their skills).

Focus is on language fluency during three steps:

1. Silent Weekend – 6 Deaf advisors and Amie Seiberlich (to talk about attitude)
2. 4 days of workshops (2 per day, 8 workshops total) – 1 day in June, 2 days in July, and 1 day in August.
3. SAC Socials – SAC will open the club twice a month for storytelling, poetry, etc.

Budget: Participants pay \$200 each, after that, total needed funds: \$1,475 (see budget).

**Motion:** Move that Mile High spend \$1,475.00 to fund the Navigating the Gap pilot program with priority given to MH participants (Jansen/Rommel). **Motion Carried.**

Member Comments:

- Be sure to advertise it correctly – as *one step* on the path toward certification.
- Send out information now to gain input and support from community interpreters
- Keep statistics – demographics, length of time until participants become certified

## SCRID

- Becky Knott and Maribeth Lavender are the new representatives
- SCRID has raised \$700 through butter braid sales
- The giving tree is up in the lab (for Dove)
- A t-shirt design has been chosen that focuses on unity

**Action Item:** Becky Knott will send a picture of the t-shirt design to Dora so that it can be in the newsletter

- Will be doing a Yoga fundraiser – money earned will go either to RMDS or CSDB
- Knowledge Bowl is still on hold, but it may happen in the spring

## CQSI

Co-Chairs (Danelle Jansen and Rachel Naiman) met with state representatives who were willing to hear more information (though DORA gave an unfavorable recommendation, the bill is still within the 2 year open application period). Now, CQSI is gathering information, and then will submit it around the end of the year. Everyone is welcome to attend the meetings – if interested, contact Danelle.

**Action Item** (Dora/Danelle): See if the new legal regulations could be posted to the CRID website. This may need to be accompanied by an article, because the specific statues (with information about specific amounts of CEU’s required, etc.) are not yet in place.

**Action Item** (Dora): Check to see if we can add the CDE book to the website

## Unfinished Business:

- Action Item (Dora) from September meeting: Check to see if profit from conference is considered expected income on the budget. **Completed.** Profit is never the goal - the conference is planned to

break even. When there is a profit, it is split 60-40 with the affiliate and State for general operating funds. There is some discussion by the board regarding state portion of the distribution automatically being given to the next conference committee, but with the deficit budget passed by members at the 2007 Annual Business meeting, that will not happen this year.

- **Action Item** (Danelle) from September meeting: Contact Lorrie Kosinski about writing an article about the Legal Rules & Regs that just passed. **Pending.**

### **New Business:**

#### **Discretionary spending power for committees with budgets**

Members agreed that committees should have discretionary spending power within their committee budget as long as funds are reported to members. For example, professional development committee could use funds within their budget to host a presenter (take presenters to dinner, Deaf events, etc). Next year, we will add a line item under professional development called "hosting." However, it is recommended that expense reimbursement be limited to the one "hosting" member of the professional development committee.

#### **Hospitality for January 19<sup>th</sup> meeting**

Laura Odum, Maribeth Lavender and/or Becky Knott

At the January meeting, we should discuss possible hotel sites for the 2010 CRID Conference and selection criteria for MH member of the year.

### **Announcements:**

- Dora will not be running for president in the next term, as she will be putting her energies elsewhere, so be on the lookout for candidates! Jansen/Konjevod nominated Kari Baker for MH president; Kari will consider the nomination.
- We received a letter from Colorado Golf association thanking MH for the donation we gave in memory of Jim Topliff. We also received a beautiful thank you note from the Topliff family.
- SLA's contract with CSD has ended, and they will be starting to work with Hands On VRS, starting January 1, 2008. SLA will be moving their office in order to be more central and is looking to expand their pool of interpreters.
- Signing Snow Day 2008 – Keystone has not approved it yet so there is not a specific date set, but once it has been approved, the committee will be hard at work getting everything ready!

Meeting Adjourned: 11:35am