

**Official Minutes of the RID Board of Directors  
April 12, 2005**

Present for the meeting were: President Christina Trunzo-Mosleh; Vice President Christine Iannone-Schuller; Treasurer Rachel Nekoukar; Secretary Meggan Berley; Associate Rep. Christine Quinton; Directors at Large Diane Bostic, Mani Garcia, and Melanie Girshick.

Christina Trunzo-Mosleh called the meeting to order at 6:10pm

**1. Announcements:**

- a) In service training at the Lighthouse done by Sam Tallerico on 3/16. We want to thank Sam for his informative and fun workshop on Deaf-Blind Interpreting.
- b) Region One Conference update, pin fundraiser. Metro RID will pre-order 50 pins to sell for \$5.00 each. Money raised will go towards the next Region 1 conference in July of 2006. We are looking for members to work on committees such as Awards, CEU's, Registration, etc. If interested contact Sam Tallerico.
- c) CTM will attend NAOBI meeting on 6/10 and make a presentation abt. RID. Metro will invite Kathleen Taylor to present at an RID meeting possibly this July, and or will ask Michael Canale to make a presentation abt. Video Relay Services.

**2. Old Business:**

- a) CI will take out an add of 1/4 page wishing National a successful conference for \$250.00.
- b) Mentoring series update: possible workshop leaders include Laura Hoffman and Hinde Nessonbaum to lead a workshop on guided self-analysis. Jeff Jaech to lead a workshop in the Fall on Skill Development. CTM and Maria Micioni will cont. to work on this. CTM will look over LG grant proposal, fill out and send it in. There is money left in the budget from previous mentoring program.

**3. Treasury Report:**

- a) For the 2005 proposed budget we have added funds to the Publicity line in order to do more outreach to sign language agencies, interpreter training

programs, schools, organizational members, etc. RN and DB will continue to work on this project.

- b) 2005 proposed budget will be approved at a later time via e-mail.

#### 4. Discussion about New By-Laws:

- a) The board wishes to thank MG and the by-laws committee JoAnn Kranis, Stephanie Feyne, Beth Prevor, and Lisa Dennett for all their hard work! Summary and rationale of changes will be published in the next newsletter as well as posted on the Metro website and e mailed to members via metro rid bits. Changes to by-laws will be discussed at the May general meeting so that members can ask questions. Board will write an article in support of changes for the next newsletter. Two weeks after the NL is sent out ballots will be mailed out to members. An announcement will be made at the July meeting as to whether or not the by-law changes have been passed.

#### 5. Committee Reports:

**CMP: MG:** No Issues to report, progressing well.

**DIRC: MG:** Next meeting 4/15. Topic: Myths related to CODA interpreters.

**Fundraising: MM:** No report

**LTA: CTM:** Site is not active, hopefully will resume w/ successor at Teachers College.

**General meeting Interpreters: RN:** No int. yet for May meeting in West.

**Membership: CQ:** Approx. 20 new applications to process.

**Directory: CQ:** Target date to be mailed out first week of May.

**PDC: CQ:** Working on future workshops such as CDI training and a workshop geared toward seasoned interpreters.

**Assoc. Rep: CQ:** Mostly students attending meetings, will send out e-mail asking members what they would like to discuss at next meeting.

**Mentorship: CTM:** Working on mentoring series including, self-guided analysis and skill development.

**Website: CTM:** Have lots of space, sent in pictures of meet and greet general meeting and peer-to-peer workshop, check it out, looks great!

**Office Manager: DB:** Everything is going smoothly.

**Scholarship: DB:** Debbie Olsen is doing a great job. Have money available.

**Awards: CI:** Finished.

**NL: MG:** Everything is going well. Janice Rimler is doing a great job.

**Nominations: MG:** New chair Sam Tallerico.

#### 6. New Business:

- a) Approval of past meeting minutes for Dec. board, Jan. and March general

meetings.

- b) May meeting: to be held at The New York School for the Deaf (Fanwood). Will post directions and train schedule in NL. Lisa Dennett will discuss by-law changes. Will continue w/ small group format, w/ facilitator and note taker in each group. Topics for consideration: new code of professional conduct, teaming, and sticky situations. Will have reference materials available.

Respectfully submitted,

Meggan Berley