

**Florida Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc.  
Regular Board Meeting**

**August 12, 2012  
Special Teleconference call  
Official Minutes**

**Board members in attendance:**

Terri Schisler, President  
Sandra Roche', 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President  
Rey Vega, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President  
Sue Ann Pope, Secretary  
Nancy Osborn, Regional Representative-North  
Danielle Porter, Region Representative-East

**Visitors:**

**Interpreters:**

VRS

**Board members not in attendance:**

Kenny Houghtaling, Treasurer  
Laurie Harbin, Regional Representative-South  
Vacant, Regional Representative-West

**Committee Chairs in attendance:**

**1. Call to Order**

Terri Schisler, President, called the meeting to order at 4:07pm at which time a quorum was announced. The secretary was on the call.

**2. Roll call**

Sue Ann took roll as documented above.

**3. Group Norms**

Sue Ann read the mission statement, group norms and teleconference call meeting norms.

**4. Housekeeping**

A reminder was issued to identify yourself before speaking. Agenda approved as presented.

**5. Secretary's Report**

Sue Ann sent an Eblast to the membership yesterday with the following topics:

- Nominations Committee
- Elections for Board positions
- EMI Trainings at the 2012 conference
- Membership recruitment prize drawing
- Committee vacancies
- Next Board meeting

**6. Financial Report**

Kenny was not on the call at this time.

**7. Region II Report**

The FRID representation was successful at the Region II conference. Nancy's selections for the promotional items were a big hit and her leadership in the presentation of the VIP bags was greatly appreciated. Laurie was a very beneficial as the Silent Auction chairperson. All of the board members in attendance were helpful in attending the FRID booth and being available for the membership recruitment "find FRID game". The gift Sue Ann had crafted for Lisa in appreciation for her service as

Region II Representative was unique and, with some other financial donations from a few Affiliate Chapters, was presented to Lisa at the Presidents' Forum.

**8. Membership Recruitment**

Danielle collected 13 sheets of member involvement in the "find FRID game" and was happy to meet many current and potential members. She will get all the names of new members from the website between now and the conference and make certificates for the winners.

\*\*\* Action Item: Danielle to manage membership recruitment.

Sue Ann reported about an issue in the search feature on the membership page related to how members maintain their privacy and profiles.

\*\*\*Action Item: Sue Ann draft eblast info about membership profile.

**9. EMI Committee Report**

The EMI presentation was a 6 hour track at the Region II Conference and was a great success with attendance of about 30-40 people. This committee still needs more members. FRID will offer 12 hours at the conference in October.

\*\*\*Action Item: Region Reps to find info in your area regarding American Red Cross trainings, ADA shelters, CERT, CPR or any first aid trainings to add to their region pages. They can set up an EMI events page for each region.

**10. 2012 Elections/Nominations/ABM**

At this time no one has come forward to serve on the Nominations committee. The Bylaws require a committee of 3. Sue Ann will serve as liaison. The board needs to help recruit.

Annual reports should be sent to Sue Ann by Sept 1<sup>st</sup> to be reviewed and discussed at the Sept 8<sup>th</sup> meeting if needed. The Parliamentarian is available. CART services are available.

**11. 2012 Conference Committee Report**

Sandra reports that things are progressing on schedule. We still need major sponsorships. Red Cross and QA rater trainings will be offered pre-conference.

**12. Presidents' Plenary Session**

For the first time ever, the presidents from the 4 major organizations RID, NAD, FAD and FRID all reside in Florida. It was agreed to invite them all to participate in a Presidents' Plenary session at the conference.

**13. FAD Partnership Agreement**

Terri has begun drafting a new agreement proposal to be more current with the situations of both organizations. She has been in discussion with June McMahon, FAD President and they are negotiating an agreement.

**MOTION 2013:08** Move to absolve the current agreement with FAD and redevelop it as new terms are decided. S. Roche' /R. Vega All in favor. Motion carried.

\*\*\*Action Item: Terri to email June to continue discussion.

**14. DSA Winner**

In the future a PPM should be drafted to establish the parameters of what benefits are included in the Distinguished Service Award

**15. Membership Chair Position**

Mindy will not be able to attend the conference. While Nancy and Kenny will be supporting registration, it is necessary to have a person to represent the membership committee and do the work that could potentially arise during the ABM. Some people are being considered but nothing has been confirmed.

**16. Presidents' Plenary cont'd**

**MOTION 2013:09** Move to approve the costs for 4 president's registrations and one room stay as needed. R. Vega / N. Osborn All in favor. Motion carried.

## **17. New Business**

- A. Conference Registration- regular registration goes until Oct 12, then on-site only, so encourage all to get registered soon.
- B. Sept 8 Meeting – all agreed to hours of 9-5pm, adjusting for a longer lunch and hotel tour.
- C. Senator Wise Recognition- His term is ending this year and FRID would like to recognize him for his efforts in support of the bill regulation over these many years.  
\*\*Action Item: Terri to draft, anyone willing to assist would be helpful.
- D. IMIA Conference- January 23, 2013, Kim Diez is willing to represent FRID at this conference. They have offered no costs to FRID for a booth or registration. They are willing to promote the EMI training as well. This is an important area to have an ASL Interpreting profession representation and input.

**MOTION 2013:10** Move to approve daily mileage and meals for Kim Diez to represent FRID at Jan 2013 IMIA conference, not to exceed \$200. T. Schisler /D. Porter All in favor. Motion carried as amended.

\*\*\*Action Item: Inform Kim to make a formal report to send to the members and post on the website.

\*\*\*Action Item: Laurie to get booth items to Kim.

\*\*\*Action Item: Rey/Laurie to see if they or others can attend also.

## **18. QA/EIE Transition**

The transition committee is in negotiations with the FCB regarding their proposal. That committee could still use more members with knowledge in that area.

## **19. Interpreter Regulation Bill**

There is currently no active IRC. Gary Leiffers and Janet Bailey have both been asked to present on this topic at the conference to educate the members on the importance of this legislation and the development of a strong active committee to do the work. It was agreed to survey the membership regarding their support for the regulation efforts.

\*\*\*Action Item: Rey to draft survey questions by Tuesday.

\*\*\*Sue Ann to assist Rey with eblast survey.

## **20. Eblast/Action Items**

Get annual reports to Sue Ann no later than the Sept 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. If anyone has questions about their respective action items, email Sue Ann to inquire.

## **21. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 pm.

Sue Ann Pope, Secretary

August 12, 2012

Approved on: \_\_\_\_\_ January 26, 2013 \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)