

WVRID REGION I BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 21, 2006
Hardway Building, FSU, WV

Attendees: Dolly Ford, SanDee Kiger, Holly Palmer, April Starks, Doug Evans, Stephenie Jaggie

The meeting was called to order by Dolly at 10:15 a.m. and adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Old Business

1. **Minutes for the Board Meeting held September 10, 2005, were approved on-line.** Members agreed to continue with this procedure. A copy of the minutes was sent to Roy Forman to be posted on the WVDHHR website.
2. Dolly received several **e-mail messages welcoming WVRID.** Messages forwarded to Board Members. Copies have been placed with the Minutes for member review.
3. **Dolly is to contact Rachael and ask if current Board Members would be permitted to remain in office for another year.** This would ensure that the chapter is up and running smoothly and transition for new officers would be easier.
4. Doug is to contact Jimmy Harrison for the \$150 donation promised by WVAD. This will be used to set up a bank account.

New Business

1. **Strategic Six-Month Plan**
 - a. **Dolly is to contact Ruby Losh to set up appointments to talk with FSU students in the SLP.**
 - b. Dolly has calendar for Deaf Clubs in WV. **Doug, Holly, and Stephenie** volunteered to set up a schedule to **visit Deaf Clubs to recruit members and pass out Membership Forms.** **Doug is to send copies of the Membership Form to Dolly, SanDee, WVAD, and WVDHHR.**
 - c. Stephenie suggested an **information brochure** and/or April suggested a **newsletter** that would contain:
 - Introduction of Chapter
 - Contact List With Short Biography of Officers
 - Committee Members
 - List of States in Region I
 - Next General Meeting
 - Information About Holly – Miss Deaf West Virginia
 - Educational Interpreters Performance Assessment (EIPA) Information
 - Dates for Professional Development
 - Region I Conference in Rhode Island – July 2006
 - Deaf Awareness Week Information
 - d. Set up **“Town Hall” open meeting.**
 - e. **April** volunteered her husband and brother-in-law to **set up a website for WVRID.**

2. Membership

- a. **SanDee** is to draft a personalized **letter to the members** on the original list from March 5, 2005.
- b. **SanDee** is to draft another **letter to RESA offices and Special Education Directors** in the State of West Virginia, and is to include the following information:
 - Introduction of WVRID as a professional organization.
 - Ask that educational interpreters be encouraged to join WVRID
 - Distribution of Membership Forms to educational interpreters.
- c. **Doug** will **draft letterhead** with our logo and list of officers. Membership forms will be included with these letters and Trudy will be the contact point for membership forms and dues. Membership forms will then be given to SanDee to file.
- d. **First-year membership** will include the remainder of this fiscal year and will be **prorated**, according to the Membership Form.

3. Region I Presidents Council Conference Calls Reports

- a. Dolly gave a brief report on conference calls held October 26, 2005 and January 4, 2006. Information will be kept **on file** by Dolly.
- b. **RID Region I pins** are available for \$5 each. See Dolly to order.

4. EIPA POSITION PAPER TO REGION I

- a. Dolly distributed copies of an article that appeared in the May 2005 "Views."
- b. **Board Members** were asked to read the article and **write a short "position paper"** indicating whether they are in favor of or against a partnership between RID/NAD and the EIPA.
- c. **Due to Dolly by Friday, January 27, 2006**

5. DEAF TECH FAIR 2006 IN CHARLESTON

- a. **WVRID** has been asked to make a **presentation on May 20, 2006, at 3:00 p.m.**
- b. Dolly and Eileen will present information on WVRID.
- c. WVAD will be presenting at 2:00 p.m. It was agreed that WVRID members would be encouraged to attend the WVAD presentation and WVAD members would be encouraged to stay for the WVRID presentation.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Dolly reported that **IRS information** was in order.
- b. **NIC test results** have been suspended.
- c. Region I Conference certified **interpreters are needed** in Rhode Island. In order to be considered, interpreter applicants must hold RID and/or NAD Level IV or V Certification. **Deadline for applications is March 1.** Based on an assessment of on-time applications, interpreters will be selected and notified by March 15, 2006. Additional information can be obtained at www.RIDRegionI.org/RI3.
- d. **"Peer Mentoring" training** will be held in New York, March 25, 2006, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

- e. **Region II Conference** will be held in Northern Virginia/DC, from June 29 – July 2, 2006.
- f. Dolly read an article about the **Michigan School for the Deaf** and a hunger strike.
- g. Dolly has a **list of newly certified interpreters** in West Virginia.
- h. “Talking Points” is an **online digest** in Virginia. Dolly suggested that WVRID consider this at a future date.
- i. **Pennsylvania’s biannual conference** is May 5-7, 2006.

7. ISSUES OF CONCERN

- a. Stephenie is still trying to get **CEUs for the “Theater” workshop** straightened out with RID.
- b. Discussed **low attendance by FSU SLP students at area professional development events**. FSU instructors are to continue to encourage attendance by students regardless of work, money concerns, etc.

8. ADDITIONAL ITEMS – None.

9. NEXT MEETING DATE: Saturday, February 11, 2006, 9:00 a.m., FSU.

10. MEETING ADJOURNED

Respectfully submitted,

SanDee K. Kiger
Secretary