

MIRID Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Madonna University

November 11, 2018

Present: Andi Chumley (President), Katie Fitzpatrick (Vice President), Danielle Ward (Secretary), Andrea Tomaszewski (MAL), Manda Duda (MAL), Nick Goodman (Publications)

- I. President Chumley called the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m. Secretary Ward recorded the meeting minutes. Quorum was met through a simple majority of the Board being present in adherence with the Bylaws.
- II. No agenda adjustments
- III. Agenda informally accepted
- IV. Approval of minutes on hold due to technical glitches and members not being able to view them. Approval will occur via online vote
- V. PPO – DMAL LaGuardia presented concept of “isms” from www.thoughtco.com/types-of-oppression-721173 and asked members to discuss their experiences with any of them. She also brought up the fall conference and asked for member feedback about the experience.
- VI. Officer Reports
 - A. President
 - Changes are being made to the rules and regulations by a four-person committee under LARA and that once changes are made, LARA will be open to public comment; advised members to stay abreast of changes and suggested Mitch Holaly, Sarah Houston and Carmen Johnson as points of contact; stated there is no call-in option, so members must attend in person to get information; next meeting 14 January 2019 at 9:30 a.m. in Lansing; MIRID may post vlogs and add updates to website
 - Activity skipped; no meeting yet with Region III rep, but there will be a call scheduled soon
 - The Holley Institute (THI) partnership is current only hold because THI has another focus right now. THI is open to collaboration in the future when they are able
 - B. Vice President
 - Video regarding MIRID scholarships made and disseminated to Madonna University students, yielding a lot of student interest; Will post video to Facebook and will record and send new video to other schools and groups

- Wants to convert MIRID.org text to ASL videos; will work with DMAL LaGuardia; also a desire to include Board member video biographies on the website that explain each person's role

C. Secretary

- Still working on creating spreadsheet for past officers; may have to reach out to active past members for assistance

D. Treasurer/PD

- Checking Balance: \$24,268; Savings Balance: \$15,332
- Scholarships awarded \$500 (one of two have been mailed)
- Scholarships pending \$500
- MIRID will have D&O insurance again very soon; working with a Deaf insurance agent, per RID's recommendation to get MIRID covered

Motion: Danielle Ward moved to pay the D&O insurance at the current rate at the time of application. Motion passed

- Wild Apricot
 - Renewal due Nov 19th
 - Community Status = \$972 (increase \$216), Max 500 contacts
 - If MIRID can manage contacts, Community Status level works
 - Professional Status = \$1920 (next level up), Max 2000 contacts

Motion: Nicholas Goodman moved to renew Wild Apricot subscription at current level. Motion passed

- Mini-workshops 2018
 - Thinks they were successful. Not sure MIRID will continue to do as many but believes MIRID needs to continue to look for opportunities and provide workshops more than just twice a year for the membership; ideas discussed to offer quarterly mini-workshops across Michigan and member survey mentioned again
- Fall PD Wrap-Up
 - Total cost -1200 (basically we paid for the social)
 - We expected 100, we had 61 in attendance
 - Reasons for low numbers? Thoughts? Is this the new norm? No endorsements, topic, online options
 - Evaluation feedback was very positive for presenters (all 4-5, lots of great comments) No feedback for overall conference, RID did not include an evaluation for this; will request one, or MIRID can create one for April 2019
 - Certificates were mailed last Sunday; thank you to Nick (and Haley) for creating them

- Social event at D&B was a success! 35+ in attendance; good DNO turnout
- Future workshops
 - February 23, 2019: Jaime Rix will be presenting her mentoring workshop in Traverse City; will get with Nick ASAP to get flyers set and registration open (hope by Dec 15th)
 - April 5-7, 2019: Spring PD co-hosted with John Kirsh (of Michigan Department of Education) and LCC; Theme will be Education and Ethics; meeting on Nov 15th with John; venue will be free — thank you Brenda Cartwright and LCC; MIRID will pay for business lunch (\$1800 for catering); MIRID will pay for two presenters, Sabrina Smith and Kevin Dyles; John will pay for other presenters — WINK, Megan Seipke-Dame and Erin Seipke-Brown, Jaime Rix, maybe others; MIRID has a budget of \$10,000; hopefully with early advertising, WINK and John's financial support MIRID will cover costs, maybe make small profit; will get with Nick as soon as presenters are confirmed to get flyers going and registration set up

E. MAL

- Board voted “no” to newest McCartney scholarship applicant
- Wants to have student-centered workshops that focus on the business of interpreting

F. DMAL: No report

G. Publications: No report

VII. Committee reports

A. EDG

- Madonna dates confirmed but awaiting RID/LARA approval; Jamie Fidler and Erin Parrish to serve as hosts

B. MIRID PD: combined with Treasurer's report

VIII. Old business

A. ITP visits

- Publications Manager Goodman waiting to confirm date with LCC
- MCC and Madonna visits have taken place; trying to reach OCC point of contact

B. Deaf Health Fair

- Good turnout
- Many Deaf attendees wanted to know how to file a complaint against an interpreter

- IX. New business
 - A. Announcing Board meetings
 - For online meetings, will only send call-in link to current active members
 - B. Scholarship workflow
 - Discussion and collaboration occurred during the meeting
 - C. Conference attendance
 - Mandatory for Board members
 - D. Technical support
 - Google not working on cell phones
 - No editing access in Google Docs
 - Spent time during meeting trying to sort out issues
 - E. WASLI
 - Request from member for MIRID to donate up to \$2,500 to sponsor a Venezuelan interpreter to attend WASLI conference in Paris in 2019
 - Money needed by January/February 2019 in order to plan
 - MIRID will receive accolades on WASLI materials and interpreter recipient may submit a video recognizing MIRID for the contribution
 - Vote was tabled until all Board members could vote, but decision will be made ASAP
- X. Public comment
 - Received a thank-you from Madonna University president for MIRID's \$100 donation to SLS Lab
 - Need a call for committee chairs and tech person
 - Next meetings
 - January 13, 2019, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Madonna University
 - February 21, 2019, 7:30-9:30 p.m. on Zoom
 - March 31, 2019, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Madonna University
- XI. President Chumley adjourned the meeting at 1:43 p.m.