

MIRID Executive Board Meeting Minutes
September 22, 2017
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Regular meeting, Madonna University SLS lab #1407

Board attendees: Andi Chumley (President), Mitch Holaly (Vice President), Danielle Ward (Secretary), Cindy Wood (Treasurer), Stephen Decator (MAL), Angela LaGuardia (DMAL)

Excused: Ge Moody (MAL), Nicholas Goodman (Publications)

President Chumley called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m. Secretary Danielle Ward recorded the meeting minutes. Quorum was met through a simple majority of the Board being present in adherence with the Bylaws.

Adjustment to the minutes: Item VIII E. removed from the agenda due to MAL Moody's absence. Action passed.

Minutes approved with adjustment.

Power, Privilege and Oppression moment: Vice President Holaly prompted discussion of MIRID's reach based on a color-coded map representing white vs. non-white populations in the state compared to where MIRID has held/typically holds workshops, conferences and EDGs. Map was overall population — hearing status not considered

Officer Reports — five written reports submitted in advance; additional information noted in the minutes.

1. Vice President — Mitch Holaly
 - Working with members to resolve issue of Michigan Department of Education (MDE) sending incorrect information regarding educational interpreters by reaching out to MDE to correct
 - Working with Jen Libiran on EDG facilitators
 - Passed along member concerns to Director Urasky at MIRID/DODDBHH meeting
2. Treasurer — Cindy Wood
 - Savings: \$37,882.14 (including scholarship funds); Checking: \$19,890.56
 - Need to register as a non-profit with LARA; mailed application and \$20 application fee last week. Unsure if there is a penalty due to failure to file in previous years
3. DMAL — Angela LaGuardia
 - No additions

No public comments

Old Business

A. Action item check-in

President

- Too late to send thank-you notes from spring conference
- Needs to review PPM and make necessary edits
- Corrected issue so that when member applies for scholarship, MALs will be notified

Vice President

- MIRID and Deaf Women United TBD
- 10/3: attending Charter Day with Becky Calaman and Natalie Grupido

Treasurer

- No locations near Michigan for Terp Expo; unsure of Deaf Expo locations
- Mini-workshop planned for 11/4

All

- Plan at least one mini-workshop for 2017/2018 (still pending for most)

B. Fall PD

- James Cech hasn't had success reaching Region Rep. Maloney regarding national conference materials; Vice President Holaly contacted the national office and learned nothing will be distributed until late October/early November
- Ideas were generated for plan B to include using previous speakers, having an ethics panel discussion/social gathering, serving as host of a statewide EDG
- Location and date TBD
- **Informal MOTION 17-038:** Stephen Decator informally moved to accept MIRID as host for Fall PD. Informal motion carried.

C. Survey and pilot

- Mark Halley has almost completed survey
- Member Darci Schulze to set up a pilot survey for ~ 10 members

D. Deaf Celebration Day

- Past the deadline to apply as a vendor
- Discussion to contribute MIRID-labeled items or make a monetary donation
- Made plans to note date and plan for participation in 2018

F. Mini-workshops

- November 4, 2017 in St. Joseph: "Meaning from the hot seat," presented by Cindy Wood

New Business

A. ITP visits

- One-hour presentation at OCC and Madonna
- Will distribute scholarship information and applications in the fall and spring

B. EDG language policy

- No standard language among EDGs — some locations sign and others use spoken English

- **MOTION 17-039:** Danielle Ward moved to change EDG language policy to state that EDGs be conducted in ASL. Motion carried.

C. Publications manager position

- President Chumley appointed member Nicholas Goodman as MIRID's new interim publications manager, effective immediately
- Goodman will serve the remainder of the term until the next election
- Board approved appointment
- Two additional members may form a publications committee

D. Additional point

- MAL Decator mentioned the idea of the MIRID spring conference having topics relating to CDIs

Next Board meeting

- Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at 7:30 p.m., online using GoTo meetings

Adjournment

- Cindy Wood moved to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Danielle E. Ward, Secretary