

LONG ISLAND REGISTRY OF INTERPRETERS FOR THE DEAF

General Meeting

September 25, 2018 at 6:30 pm

That Meetball Place, Farmingdale

In attendance: Amanda Allard & Jess Heron (Co-Presidents), Kirsten Hassell (Vice President), Christina Intartaglia (Treasurer), Allison Zilg (Secretary), Maureen Timlin (Co-Member at Large), Jill Collins (Associate Representative)

Not in attendance: Cassie Raguso (Co-Member at Large)

I. Welcome & Introductions (Amanda/Jess)

- a. Thank you all for coming; I know the weather is terrible
- b. Jessica Heron- President
- c. LIRID- new venue- trying something new
 - i. Thank you for a great turn out!
- d. Raffle tickets will be raffled later on after the workshop
- e. Unfortunately the weather caused some leaking issues but it's nice for everyone to be together to meet and get to know each other
- f. LIRID goal
 - i. New interpreters and experienced interpreters coming together to make things work
 - ii. Working hard to make it fun for everyone
- g. Toni Nuccio workshop later
- h. Board introduce themselves
 - i. 7 board members here
 - ii. Amanda Allard and Jessica Heron- Co-Presidents
 1. Jessica working on LI for many years
 - iii. Kirsten Hassell
 1. I've been interpreting for 14 years
 2. I'm excited! Never been on the board but have been a member of LIRID as long as I've been working here
 3. Vice President in charge of committee reports
 - iv. Christina Intartaglia
 1. Treasurer
 2. Interpreting for 5 or 6 years
 - v. Jill Collins
 1. Associate rep
 - vi. Maureen
 1. One of the MAL- Cassie couldn't be here
- i. Thank old board
 1. Flowers to former board members who are in attendance (Sandra Blum, Kerry Kissinger, Dani Davoli)

II. Committee Reports (Kirsten)

- a. Thanks to all past and current committee chairs and members
- b. Thanks to Alli and Cassie for chairing fundraising

- c. Ask for volunteers for committee (sign-up sheet)
 - i. All committees need volunteers
 - ii. Membership
 - iii. Professional Development
 - 1. Robyn dean was a successful workshop it turned out great
 - iv. Fundraising
 - 1. Jenny Goodman and Deanna Brown, Jenny is here but Deanna could not make it
 - v. Mentorship
 - 1. Tara mentioned looking for more mentorship opportunities
 - vi. Webmaster
 - vii. Elections- needs chair
 - 1. Lisa Denison (will be stepping down when someone can replace her) is chairing this committee now- thank you!
 - 2. Looking for a new chair for anyone who is interested let us know
 - viii. Publications-needs chair
 - ix. Ad-Hoc Apple Fest Committee- please help (members at large in charge)
 - 1. Need volunteers!

III. New Business (Jess)

- a. Joey Trapani, CEO resigned
 - i. Over the summer he attended regional conferences and resigned shortly after
 - ii. National board is upset he resigned
 - iii. People were upset that he was hearing and chosen over a Deaf candidate
- b. Certification: pay dues and get CEUs on time or your certification will be revoked
 - i. New person in charge at national level is very strict about this
 - ii. If certification is revoked your name will be printed on website for everyone to see that you lost your certification
- c. RID numbers--strict! Fill out number correctly or CEUs won't be processed
 - i. Make sure you know the number and write it down correctly
 - ii. Past issues with writing the number down wrong
 - iii. If you make an error those CEUs will not be awarded to you
- d. Conference 2019: undecided location
 - i. No information available yet- will keep you posted
- e. Regional Conference 2020: NYC!
 - i. NYC Metro RID took responsibility for this conference
 - ii. Will need help- we plan to work together to make a successful conference!
- f. Blankets, shirts and coozies will be available at Apple Fest for sale

IV. Thank you Toni

- a. Will be presenting later tonight

V. Suggestion/Feedback Box (Amanda)

- a. Near the sign in area
- b. Suggestions for places in future (this location, other locations, NCC/SCC)
- c. Want to make the membership happy and get feedback from members
- d. Save money having it at SCC/NCC? It's free there

- i. Budget is important
- ii. We have \$11,280
- iii. Apps and the presenter were the only expenses and we wanted everyone involved and interested
- iv. Free venues weren't getting a good turn out but we'll see what people like
- v. Maybe in the future won't offer free food
- vi. First time having GM in a new location, we want to make sure the membership is comfortable and happy with whatever we do going forward
- vii. Will have fundraisers to raise money for things in the future

VI. Announcements from members

a. Patrice

- i. Membership and Bylaws Committee Chair
 - 1. Vote for new Bylaws
 - 2. I didn't send out an email due to disappointment but the new bylaws did not pass
 - 3. Need to have 2/3 of voting members involved to pass
 - 4. 70 members, 21 actually voted
 - 5. Will have a vote again for the new bylaws
 - 6. If it does not pass again, then half of the board will need to have elections for their positions again at the end of this year (May)
 - 7. Change in new bylaws- attendance for meetings has been low so:
 - a. There will not be 4 meetings a year required anymore
 - b. New bylaws will require at least 2 MINIMUM and can do more if you would like
 - c. Right now, since the bylaws did not pass, we still need 4 meetings
 - 8. Voting members really do need to vote
 - 9. Have 90 days before we can open the vote and hoping they pass and will change going forward
 - 10. The past board is also hoping that the new bylaws are approved and new board wants the bylaws approved as well
 - a. Please vote yes so we can start fresh

VII. Door Prizes

- a. Maureen drawing the raffle tickets
- b. \$10 Starbucks gift card winners:
 - i. Denise Santoli
 - ii. Paul Wilson
- c. Earrings donated by Kirsten winners:
 - i. Beth Minowitz
 - ii. Angela Piteris

iii. Sue Dooley

d. Dunkin Donuts Gift Card winners:

i. Toni Nuccio

ii. Sandra Blum

Meeting called to a close at 7:02 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Allison Zilg
LIRID Secretary