

Long Island RID Board Meeting

May 20, 2020

3:00 pm via zoom

In Attendance: Jessica Heron (Co-President), Amanda Allard (Co-President), Kirsten Hassel (Vice President) ,Christina Intartaglia (Treasurer), Cassie Raguso (Co-MAL), Maureen Timlin (Co-MAL), Jenny Goodman (Associate Representative), and member Jackie Lazlo

Not in attendance: Alli Zilg (Secretary)

I. Welcome

A. Check-in: Hope you and your families are all safe. Please raise your hand to speak for turn-taking.

II. Officer reports-

A. President

a. Presidents Council Conference Call

1. Had one in April and May's is tomorrow night

b. Region 1 conference is canceled.

c. Town Hall with National RID President Jonathan Webb

1. Goal: honest and authentic dialogue about member involvement and changing from a member driven organization to professional certifying organization. Please see this link for more info:

<https://rid.org/transition-to-a-professional-organization-brief-background-and-rationale/>

B. Vp

Committee Reports

1. Fundraising- no report

2. Mentoring- no report

3. Webmaster - Alana would like to step down- ready and willing to train someone

i. Email her anything you want posted to the LIRID website to the webmaster@lirid.org email.

ii. Alana created a webmaster guide which is now in the webmaster google drive and has been shared with the board (shared 12.30.2019)

4. Membership- no report

5. Emergency fund- no report

6. Professional Development - no report

7. CMP- no report

8. Elections

- i. Call for nominations went out March 1, 2020. Metros call went out April 1st.
- ii. No accepted nominations yet for president, vp & treasurer
- iii. Brainstorm possible candidates
- iv. If needed, here is how to proceed with appointing a steering committee:

LIRID Bylaws Section 6, E.: In the event that the positions of president or co-presidents and vice president are vacant, the outgoing board will appoint an ad hoc steering committee for the purpose of maintaining the organization and adhering to the requirements and policies of RID. The committee will be responsible for holding elections when there are enough interested parties. The Board of Directors will accept recommendations for committee members from the general membership until the day before the final board meeting of the year at which time the committee members will be named and shared with the general membership.

- 1. no one accepts nomination for pres and/or vp
- 2. On June 15th (arbitrary) we announce we have no accepted nominations and ask for nominations for a steering committee. We give 7 days for nominations.
- 3. June 22nd, we have a board meeting---we (the board) decide and announce the steering committee--no election is needed. The committee is appointed.
- 4. June 30th: our term ends and the steering committee is responsible for submitting annual reports and IRS paperwork annually.

9. Ad hoc COVID-19 committee

- i. Sharing information on website and FB with our members and Deaf community
- ii. Headed by Tara Tobin Rogers. Committee members Alana Miller-Engel, Jamie Forman, Gabrielle Pollard, Deanna
- iii. New FB Page name: Long Island Deaf and Interpreting Community
- iv. Advertised via email and FB

C. Secretary

- Minutes approval- Alli will make sure all minutes are posted on Google Drive for the board to vote on
- Send approved minutes for Alana to post on website
- please review and check off past minutes

D. Treasurer

- Funds in Paypal: \$52.80
- Funds in bank: 8,407.76

Money spent: \$144/month for storage unit

- E. MAL:
 - 1. please be active on social media
 - 2. Mailbox unattainable since the mall is closed
- F. Associate rep
 - 1. Supporting interpreting students virtually
 - 1. Sent surveys--5 working terps for mentees and 2 certs willing work as mentors
 - 2. Partnering with metro

III. Old Business

- A. C/DI Scholarship Fund
 - 1. Announced at General Meeting- no further information for now
- B. NYC Region 1 Conference--canceled
 - 1. -I'll keep the syrup and rip up the reimbursement check if you agree
- C. Conference scholarships
 - 1. What do we do for the winner? -tabled
- D. Membership- renewals
 - 1. Idea; free membership for all members/prospective members for this fiscal year. RID dues were extended till Oct 31st, 2020. At that time they will revisit the need for an additional extension.
 - 2. LIRID can "suspend the enforcement of bylaws regarding member dues" (can't suspend the bylaws but you can suspend ENFORCEMENT) as long as there is a reasonable explanation (COVID-19) and it won't incur a debt that would lead to bankruptcy. Must be a quorum (majority of board of directors)
 - 3. LIRID board has voted to suspend enforcement of bylaws regarding membership dues because of COVID-19. Dues will be waived for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. Members will be considered members in good standing until Oct 31st. On November 1st, all members must be in good standing with RID to be considered in good standing with LIRID.

II. New Business

- A. CMP Renewal-due Sept 30th--Treasurer will pay
- B. Transition to the new board
 - 1. Zoom meeting or meet-up depending on safety
 - 2. Make plan to transition smoothly
 - 1. Check google drive to make sure all info is there and organized.
 - 2. How will we get keys, materials to new board
- C. Renewal process is not clear--can it be streamlined
 - 1. Can we use a google form? Or yes or no for current members?
 - 2. Opportunity to get more members
- D. Would love to see a history of past boards--who has been the past boards

IV. Will send a doodle for next board meeting in June

Meeting adjourned at 4:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jess Heron
Co-President
Long Island RID