IAD Board Meeting Minutes

Maui Wowi, Meridian, ID with Fuze Video Conference

to Post Falls, Idaho and Frederick, Maryland

October 17, 2014

2 pm - 5 pm

Board members present: President- Alan Wilding, Vice President- Mike Miller, Secretary- Stefanie Saltern, Treasurer- Ray Lockary, Auditor- Kristi Dorris, Andrea Austin- Member at Large, President Emeritus- Jerry Wilding

Board members absent: Past President- Bill Andrew

Members & visitors present: Darcy Sinsley, Ike Miller, Alisia Galvez

President Alan Wilding called meeting to order at 2:20 pm.

1. Reading of the minutes

a. Stefanie Saltern moved that we accept June 14, 2014 Board meeting minutes as read and corrected via email. Passed.

2. Treasurer's Report

a. Estimated Total deposits \$5,403. Kristi Dorris audited for 2013 but has not checked for this year including Walk4ASL expenses. Stefanie shared the PayPal transactions since August that were used for Walk4ASL registrations and included donations and new member payments online with small fees subtracted and paid to PayPal. All money received was transferred to the bank.

3. President's Report

- a. Brief statement for IAD membership recruitment purposes
 - i. I have outline ready for vlog and will share it next week Wednesday, we can give feedback.

b. NAD Conference 2014

- i. I served on the Screening committee for the Election of Motions and was asked to be Regional IV representative but I'm not qualified because it was my first time attending the conference.
- ii. I hope in 2 years we have 3-4 of us from Idaho attend, possibly Darcy Sinsley, co-director for Idaho Deaf Youth Program will go with a representative to Youth Ambassador Program competition.

c. Deafhood Foundation Grant

- i. No comment since Alan was not able to send application in time, he will try again next year.
- d. Presented to North Idaho Deaf Club (NIDC) last August
 - i. Darcy Sinsley is our contact person for NIDC. We hope they will affiliate by the end of this year.

- e. Hosted 2 Yard Sales in Gooding
 - i. Mike Miller helped me with these yard sales, the 2nd sale earned less due to a rainstorm.
- **f.** Meeting via Fuze video conference with IESDB Outreach Paula Mason & Ann Flannery and Gallaudet University Regional Center (GURC) West director Pam Snedigar in August.
 - i. The money donated to Walk4ASL from GURC is earmarked for Deaf Youth Leadership Training in 2015.
 - ii. This training is a great way to pull youth to attend IAD conference in August 2015. I hope 1 section during IAD conference will be focused on Youth. I am very interested to have Arlene Gunderson former regional director of GURC present a workshop.
- g. Presented to Walk4ASL audience and conducted Self-Advocacy Workshops during Idaho Deaf Awareness Day (IDAD)
 - i. I presented at Walk4ASL about the importance of getting involved with different organizations in order to improve our community. I feel we represented IAD well at IDAD this year. Dana Gover from Northwest ADA (NWADA) Idaho was very impressed with IAD and our objectives. We just shared power points from IDAD and flyers for the Disability Advocacy workshops around Idaho through email, on website, and on Facebook.
- h. Master of Ceremonies (MC) for ASL Storytelling Competition Nov. 14
 - i. This will be my 2nd time to support Idaho ASL Teacher Association as MC.
- i. Deaf Center vision
 - i. I contacted a Disability group for accessible homes, I think the name is Hope Housing, to see how we can get funding for building a Deaf Center. Deaf Center of Idaho (DCI) lost their non-profit status so now their money is being held by CDHH. Steve Snow, Holly Thomas-Mowery, Tara Adams are on the board of trustees for DCI and ¾ of the trustees support their money to be transferred to IAD. Someone is writing a MOU and we can invite 1 of the trustees to the next board meeting to determine what to do with the money.
- j. Funding for Pocatello/Idaho Falls
 - I suggest someone to make a motion to cover travel expenses for Stefanie Saltern and I to visit Pocatello and Idaho Falls to educate people about IAD and what we do.
- **k.** Bylaws vote
 - i. I suggest you to vote and suspend bylaws and accept changes we approve until members approve at the biannual conference next year.

4. Vice President's Report

- a. Reviewed suggested additions or revisions to Bylaws in duties of Finance committee and how to award the IAD Scholastic & Merit Award.
- b. Section in Bylaws on Honorary Members

- i. Jerry Wilding suggested that we change the wording of "active" in "superintendents are honorary members as long as they are active superintendents" to "current".
- ii. Add "The current leader of the CDHH shall be an honorary member or associate honorary member (depending on if s/he is Deaf or Hearing)."
- iii. Kristi Dorris suggested to add "The current leader of the Idaho RID, shall be an honorary member or associate honorary member (depending on if s/he is Deaf or Hearing)."

5. Necrology

a. Janette Lancaster was unable to attend today's meeting and reports "Elsie Denning Anderson, class of '38, died on August 7, 2014, Rebecca "Becky" Moore Judd, died on Sept 21, 2014, and Myrle Lois Smith Leach, girls basketball coach in 50's - 60's, died on Sept 29, 2014. I turned in 3 binders to Jerry to store at the museum because it is the right place to be. I will keep up with the necrology report and continue posting obituaries on Facebook."

6. Idaho Deaf Awareness Day

a. Walk4ASL

i. Stefanie Saltern thanked all the committee members and volunteers who helped put this fundraiser together. More than 300 people came in support of ASL with earnings at over \$4,000 which is very successful for our first time. Suggested improvements: have the walk at a park and to have media involved. Jerry Wilding suggested to invite the Mayor to welcome the event and get media attention.

b. Deaf Forum

i. Alan Wilding felt the workshop format did not work and many people felt overwhelmed. Next year we need a Deaf trainer. Collaboration with other agencies is essential but it was not Deaf friendly. One person wanted to share feedback to IAD for improvement but IAD board felt we would not discuss during this meeting unless that person became a member first.

c. BVAD Game Show

- i. Andrea Austin was surprised many people came, more than she thought would come. There were 10 players, all did well and Westen Gibbens won. BVAD got about 30 new members. It turned out great! People said they want the Game Show again next year with more players and games.
- ii. NWADA donated leftover Subway sandwiches from the Deaf Forum for IAD to sell. Alan Wilding donated \$28 worth of chips and leftovers are being sold at his store with Mike Miller's help.

7. Committee Chair Reports

- **a.** <u>Finance</u>- 2013 Finance Reports have been audited by Kristi Dorris.
- **b.** <u>Membership</u>- need names and contact information from 11 Complimentary members to send them announcements. Since June, we gained 6 new members with a total of 53 members.

c. Awards-

- i. IAD Scholastic and Merit Award- no report.
- **d.** <u>La Pearl McPherson Award</u>- Jerry Wilding feels we should give more than \$500 for the scholarship award.
- e. Constitution & Bylaws
 - i. clarify & explain duties of Finance committee
 - ii. revise IAD Scholastic & Merit Award how the money is awarded
 - iii. clarify Honorary member privileges and membership
 - iv. decide affiliate benefits & fees as well
 - 1. When we lost internet connection Alan Wilding shared benefits for affiliates with Darcy Sinsley. Alan Wilding can do a vlog for Affiliate benefits separate from membership benefits.
 - 2. Darcy Sinsley asked if a club needs to have Bylaws to affiliate with IAD. NIDC has no current Bylaws, the President thinks they must hire a lawyer to write Bylaws. We all agree no Bylaws are needed to be an affiliate. Lawyers are not needed to write Bylaws, IAD can help write Bylaws. Ray Lockary will investigate how affiliates can use IAD's non-profit status in donation request letters or give donors IAD's tax exempt #.
- **f.** <u>IAD Webpage</u>- name change to Social Media Committee vote by members online pending Bylaws committee discussing other changes that may be needed for vote
 - i. Kristi Dorris will look for people who may be interested to be Social Media chair. Stefanie Saltern recommended Darcy Sinsley to be on Committee.
- g. ISDB-IAD Relations- no report.
- **h.** <u>IAD Conference</u>- Jerry Wilding will search for the Conference Guidelines. Alan Wilding and Andrea Austin need to meet and decide what we need for the conference.
- i. Activities
 - i. ASL movie "Easy? No!" by Eye-Sign Media on Nov. 6 & 8
 - Kristi Dorris will help with admissions on Thursday night at Rocky Mountain High School and contact Jessica Waldbillig.
 - 2. Location for Saturday night is still TBA.
 - ii. IAD/BVAD Bazaar on Nov. 8
 - 1. We need help at the food and sales booth.
 - iii. Auction in January
 - 1. We will sell food again.
 - 2. Kristi Dorris will ask for a possible location in Twin Falls.
- i. Other
 - i. Member at Large
 - ii. Advocacy/Legislative watchdog

8. New business

- **a.** Proposed Bylaws changes were voted on & passed.
- 9. Community Requests/ Updates

a. Deaf owned/Deaf friendly Business list in Idaho was requested by Ted Horton-Billard, special assistant to the Executive Director of the Arizona Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Emilie Banasiak of Hamilton Relay suggested to do a survey in our community to develop this list.

10. Announcements

- **a.** Andrea Austin reported BVAD Holiday dinner on December 6. Members free, non-members pay for dinner. Location TBA.
- **b.** Andrea Austin reported BVAD "Wild Wild West" Gala on Feb. 13, 2015 at Nampa Civic Center, will have a costume contest and the same DJ as last February.
- **c.** Kristi reported Halloween ASL Storytelling on Oct. 25, 2014 at Gateway School of Language & Culture.

11. Next Board meeting

Tentative in January 2015 after the holidays.

Meeting adjourned 5:18 pm.

*Respectfully submitted by Secretary Stefanie Saltern.