

**WAVLI EXECUTIVE MEETING**  
**Wednesday, May 26, 1999**

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**Present :** Jenn Beauchamp, Sheri Burtnick, Tarren McKay, Jan Humphrey, Cheryl Palmer, Catherine Matheson, Barb Mykle-Hotzon, Lianna True, Caroline Leadbetter, Marna Arnell, Diane Pattison, Vicki Yee, Deloris Piper, Monica Arduini, Suzie Giroux, Karen Fran  
**Regrets:** Ali Rodney, Sara MacFayden, Leona Parr-Hamel

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**1. Call meeting to order: 6:35pm**

- Diane requests minutes before next meeting; Deloris will talk to Ali
- have quorum

**2. Approval of Agenda:**

- additions to agenda : 7.1 - Europe (Monica); 7.2 - Letters to post-secondary (Marna & Barb);
- 8.1 - Douglas College update (Jan)
- Diane (*motion*), Vicki (*2<sup>nd</sup>*)

**3. Time Items:**

- 10 min./item, aim to end by 8:30pm

**4. Accept minutes from March & April meetings:**

- February minutes approved; waiting for March and April

**5. Executive Reports:**

**5.1 President**

- as per attached
- K-12 Screening Adhoc Committee: purpose is to provide input for screening especially for schools outside the Lower Mainland > will have something prepared for next meeting; Suzanne Bailey wants criteria for hiring interpreters, comm. will contact Deb Russell as well as other provinces re criteria; Barb will not be on this comm.
- Motion re WTK, tabled at AVLIC AGM: motion was "Members who have successfully written their WTK and have maintained active membership with AVLIC will retain their 'successful candidate' status for life." > Robert's rule states that you need the same number of people who voted on the previous motion to rescind it; RID written life-long? Good for 5yrs then re-write, written + skills = life-long, but need CEU's for update; Revised WTK for life? New motion required; AVLIC manual states that WTK should be revised every 5yrs, but has not been done; discussion re no maintenance program to ensure that terps are keeping up-to-date with current info; Jan will go to RID convention & ask about their maintenance program; Pro-D comm. has that info, using it as a reference
- AVLIC 2000 Conference: Deloris handed out info and registration forms
- Deloris (*move that report be accepted*), Barb (*2<sup>nd</sup>*)

**5.2 Vice President**

- no report

**5.3 Treasurer**

- as per attached
- WSRID - Summer Institute: Jan will bring brochures, etc. to advertise at this event; Suzie will give hand info to Jan by June 23<sup>rd</sup> as she will be going out of town.
- Suzie (*move that report be accepted*), Diane (*2<sup>nd</sup>*)

#### 5.4 Secretary

- no report

#### 5.5 Member-at-Large

- no report

#### 5.6 Past President

- no report

### 6. Committee Reports:

#### 6.1 Professional Standards

- as per attached
- Letter to GVAD re hiring AVLIC/WAVLI members: Barb will send to Forrest via e-mail
- "Grads Meet Executive": on June 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm; Deloris will ask Ali if room has been booked for this event; 12 members from the executive plan on attending; Ann Bryant informed grad class; Anne Clague from Victoria will graduate also, took training through PLN, Jan will contact her re this event; WAVLI will provide refreshments
- "Dessert Night" @ the Dorm: on the evening of July 13, time TBA; open to all members of WAVLI; last year there were 80 adults, expected to double this year; will advertise in Ripple; Monica & another volunteer will do short presentation; Barb will talk to Cecelia about presentation
- Professional Facilitator: ACRID hired a professional facilitator for one of their meetings, Barb suggests we do the same, why?, to brainstorm & generate ideas/discussion from those members who don't often speak out at meetings; large pieces of paper are hung on the wall, each titled with topic/issue > members are to write on sticky notes their thoughts & ideas re the topic/issues, half hour will be given to do this activity & half hour of facilitated discussion; will try this activity at the beginning of the October meeting with an explanation mailed out to members prior; Barb will hire facilitator for free
- Barb (*move that report be accepted*), Diane (2<sup>nd</sup>)

#### 6.2 Professional Development

- no report
- they do have workshops lined up right now & when details are more concrete, will let us know

#### 6.3 Fundraising

- no report

#### 6.4 Membership

- no report
- currently we have 111 members (87 active, 20 supporting, 4 associate)

#### 6.5 Newsletter

- as per attached

#### 6.6 Care Committee

- no report

### 7. Old Business

#### 7.1 EFSLI (European Forum of Sign Language Interpreters)

- Monica is a member & will get more info about it

#### 7.2 Letters to Post-Secondary Coordinators - Marna & Barb

- letter from WAVLI encouraging colleges to hire terps that have passed the PSIR
- terps meeting with terp coordinators re pay raise, Jamie (on sub-committee) attended one mtg already
- another letter to be sent to articulation (Shirley Coombes) about pay grid raise for post-sec system, \$18 - \$30?; suggested not to give exact rate otherwise will be stuck with it; suggested not to quote hourly rate, but salary rate

- June 16<sup>th</sup> will have the articulation meeting with Ministry Reps.
- June 1<sup>st</sup>, Deloris will present on same issues as above

## 8. New Business

### 8.1 Douglas College Update - Jan

- program will increase focus on Deaf-Blind (DB) in the Fall > first semester, students will be required to shadow DB; no more Timberfest rather students will be attending Seabeck, a one-week camping trip with DB, students will be working 3 to 1 ratio; new textbook re DB intervenor; JJ & Forrest doing focus groups, random calls to terps from Sandi Mcleod re interpreting concerns; will have revisions to program soon; Deloris met with Hilda at CNIB, talked to Cheryl & Joyce Olsen re how to mesh with DC program; Jan met with Joyce, Hilda, Linda, Eddie, Craig, and Brenda re DC program > should be involved with community support worker > if involved with SLIP, then aim to work with independent DB people > students may take both community support worker & interpreting classes; Jan concerned with Joyce's program because it's geared too much to medical disability (George Brown)...not empowerment
- CYCC program > in the midst of developing a program for people to work at the dorm
- 2001 National DB Conference in BC > need reps from WAVLI to sit on various committees, Eddie is the chair of the interpreting comm. for the conference
- MIS on-line course has 23 students; will have guest instructor on-line from Ontario; 9 students in each summer course > if less than 13 students, courses will be cancelled, will give 2 weeks cancellation notice; Jan not sure when next set of courses will be held; grant given for videos for MIS courses;
- ASL instructor certificate program, grad next month; 24 new students for next year, many of them Americans; Shelly Carver is the coordinator; process in place to set up a website for ASL instructor course; Continuing Ed to credit courses soon; Marna requested info re this course
- Karen Malcolm will go half-time; hired other half-time, not yet permitted to announce name of person; Nigel & Jan will be co-coordinators for the program next year

### 8.2 WAVLI Brochure Revisions

- completed by Deloris; "visual language" will be replaced by "sign language" all throughout the brochure except in the Code of Ethics; will await for Deloris to get Page Master, then will make necessary changes

## 9. Announcements:

- planning meeting will be on Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> in the DC boardroom
- next exec. meeting will be at Barb's on Tuesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, bring food to share

## 10. Adjournment: 8:30pm

- Tarren (*motion*), Vicki (2<sup>nd</sup>)