

Minutes WAVLI Executive Meeting
Tuesday January 27, 2004 Douglas College Room 1809

1. Called to order at 7:02pm

Present: Sara MacFayden, Robyn Albert, Barb Mykle-Hotzon, Sherree Harman, Deloris Piper, Anita Gock, Jennifer Till, Brenda Erlandson, Renae Carey

Regrets: Lisa McCarron, Dean Wiebe, Jillian Yates, Suzie Giroux, Allison Sands, Karli Thomas, Emily Drew, Karen White

2. Approval of Agenda – Robyn/Deloris

3. Time items – complete meeting asap

4. Approval of minutes from Nov 25, 2003 meeting – Barb/Anita
Approval of minutes from Dec 9, 2003 meeting – Deloris/Anita

5. Executive Reports

5.1 President - Sara – submitted written report

5.2 Past President – Deloris – nothing to report

5.3 Vice President – Suzie – business as usual, has put a call out for WAVLI Award of Outstanding Contribution nominations and has asked 2 interpreters and 2 Deaf community members to join her on the selection committee for this year's recipient.

5.4 Treasurer – Karen – no report.

5.5 Secretary - Robyn – no report.

5.6 Member at Large – Karli – business as usual

6. Committee Reports

6.1 Professional Standards - Barb – no report

6.2 Professional Development – Anita/Jill – Written report. Working on a legal workshop with Deb Russell facilitating. Approval for Deb's fee plus travel expenses. Workshop to run May 7 & 8 -- Friday evening 6-9pm and Saturday 9am-4:30pm. Cost approx. \$50/member. This workshop will be advertised once everything is set up. Possibly recruit Dorothy Miller to spread the word to our US colleagues. There is an upcoming religious workshop. Discussion around the process for workshop fee approval... Pro D is not meant to make money. If the committee feels that the participants' costs will approximately cover the cost of putting on the workshop then that's fine.

6.3 Fundraising – Brenda C/Jennifer – submitted written report.

6.4 Membership – Sherree/Renae – business as usual

6.5 Newsletter – Leah/Emily – submitted written report. Recommendations of flexibility around the July issue of the Ripple and no full reports from board members for the spring and fall issues supported.

6.6 Care Committee – Allison/Lisa – no report

6.7 Directory Committee – Brenda E./Dean – watch for possible changes to the directory information cards this spring.

6.8 AVLIC 2004 Planning Committee – Barb/Deloris – no report.

*Guests
Mandy
Shirley*

7. Old Business

7.1 WAVLI & ISP collaboration

- Sara's idea is to strike a new WAVLI post-secondary committee whose mandate would be to work closely and collaboratively with the ISP. This committee would liaise between WAVLI members and the ISP, and would communicate WAVLI members' concerns and gather information from interpreters working in the post-secondary setting. After some discussion it was decided to make an announcement via e-groups to WAVLI members and those interested in being on the committee can gather on March 27 (next GM) and decide on committee structure and terms of reference. Possible interpreting issues may include: money, teaming, prep time, access to materials, cancellation protocol, etc.

Marna Arnell and Shirley Coomber join the meeting at approx. 7:30pm. Sara/Robyn presented the above idea to them. It was well received. Much discussion around what the collaboration would look like as well as policies regarding lobbying, etc. ISP is willing to share any/all info gathered to date. Also Marna and Shirley clarified ISP's role as a neutral party, ie: not the employee or employer regarding interpreter issues. Other discussion about services ISP offers. Marna to write an article for the Ripple explaining the services offered to interpreters.

MOTION: Jen/Anita – That WAVLI strike a post secondary educational interpreters committee to work collaboratively with the ISP. **CARRIED**

7.2 Farewell to Jan

- the artist making up the AVLIC 2004 logo could make a silver brooch/pendant from the medallion already made for the logo. Deloris to check into this.

7.3 Ideas for new initiatives/spending

- not much discussion just a reminder that we have some money which could be used for PR, policy writing, or ? -- keep thinking about it.

8. New Business

8.1 Karen Malcolm will show a 20 minute video following the March 27 GM. The Pro D committee is working with her on this. The Douglas College students will hold a "garage sale" of the old DC videos after the GM.

8.2 BCAD - they asked WAVLI to become an affiliate member; we agreed; Sara will follow up.

8.3 Membership exemptions – these will be handled on an individual basis. The request from Anne Bryant is accepted and since she will not be working for 1 year and paid membership (AVLIC/WAVLI) for 2003 she will not have to pay for 2004

8.4 WAVLI Auction – requests for donations to AVLIC 2004 and the Auction 2004 are very close. Move the auction to spring 2005 so that donation requests can be spread out. Concerns about the fact that the auction is an annual event and people will be expecting something in the fall – maybe replace the auction in Nov 2004 with a dance or other fundraising event at the same venue for continuity.

8.5 WAVLI Award Nominations Suzie has sent out the requests for nominations and set up a selection committee comprised of herself, 2 interpreters and 2 Deaf community members.

9 Correspondence – none

10 Announcements

10.1 Upcoming events

- Scrapathon
- Religious Workshop
- Totems volleyball tournament
- Beach volleyball to raise \$ for Australia

10.2 Next Executive Meeting – Tuesday February 24, 2004 6:30

11. Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm - Anita