



Westcoast Association of Visual Language Interpreters

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Attendees: Caroline Tetreault, Brenda Carmichael, Diana Lane, Amanda Noiles, Caitlin Barker Gore, Jenny Cowan, Trevor Leyenhorst, Miriam West, Julia Menzies

Students: Keith Brougham

Regrets: Jessica Siegers, Simon Dorer, Spring Herold

1. CALL TO ORDER

6.12 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved: Amanda Noiles

Seconded: Trevor Leyenhorst

Motion: CARRIED

3. HOUSEKEEPING

Motion to limit discussions to 10 minutes

Moved: Diana Lane

Seconded: Miriam West

Motion: CARRIED

4. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2015 MINUTES

Motion to table to November board meeting

Moved: Brenda Carmichael

Seconded: Jenny Cowan

Motion: CARRIED

5. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

5.1. President – No report

5.2. Past President – No report

5.3. Vice President – Report attached

5.4. Treasurer – No report

5.5. Secretary – Report attached

5.6. Member-at-Large – No report

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS



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- 6.1. Membership – No report
- 6.2. Newsletter – Report attached
- 6.3. Professional Development – Report attached
- 6.4. Professional Standards – Report attached
- 6.5. Public Relations – No report
- 6.6. Technology Committee – No report
- 6.7. Student Representative – Report attached

Motion to accept reports
Moved: Brenda Carmichael
Seconded: Amanda Noiles
Motion: CARRIED
Motion to open Old Business

Moved: Trevor Leyenhorst
Seconded: Brenda Carmichael
Motion: CARRIED

7. OLD BUSINESS

- 7.1. **ACTION ITEM:** Member-at-Large student award update **IN PROGRESS**
- 7.2. **ACTION ITEM:** Secretary will email agencies, organizations and associations letting them know that the WAVLI online directory is up-to-date. **IN PROGRESS**
- 7.3. **ACTION ITEM:** President, Professional Standards Chair and Barb Mykle-Hotzon will start email chain in regards to membership survey plan of action and report back at October board meeting. **IN PROGRESS**
- 7.4. **ACTION ITEM:** Ad hoc PSA committee will get quotes on placing and creating an ad and will report back at October board meeting. **IN PROGRESS**
- 7.5. **ACTION ITEM:** President will respond to AVLIC with WAVLI feedback in regards to AVLIC's committee policy change. **COMPLETE**
- 7.6. **ACTION ITEM:** Secretary will resend AVLIC nomination committee policy to WAVLI board and board members are to provide feedback to President. **COMPLETE**



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Motion to close Old Business
Moved: Diana Lane
Seconded: Brenda Carmichael
Motion: CARRIED

Motion to open New Business
Moved: Diana Lane
Seconded: Brenda Carmichael
Motion: CARRIED

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1. GM Report for PowerPoint

Brenda Carmichael

ACTION ITEM: Vice President will send out an email to board members to collect three main points they will speak to at the GM.

ACTION ITEM: Vice President will follow up with board members to update WAVLI 2014-2016 goals.

8.2. Agency Survey Update Tetreault

Caroline

Miriam West

This is not an agency specific or membership specific survey. One agency was contacted and was in support of the idea of a survey between both groups. Parallel survey would go to both agencies and interpreters (WAVLI members), and would then bring forward useful information. First round of questions was a quite rough. Ad hoc survey committee (liaised to the President) would put together a survey, would send it to someone who is experienced in putting together surveys (already in touch with a potential contractor) and would send WAVLI a quote (they charge \$50/hour) for their services. They could provide feedback to create a good survey with the goal to collect information on the work we do, and avoid ill-will between members and agencies. The committee is looking to see if the board supports the idea. Results will be shared with membership and agencies. Agencies can do what they choose with the information. This will be a WAVLI sponsored survey. The board supports this initiative.

ACTION ITEM: President will give ad hoc survey committee the go ahead to proceed with the survey.



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8.3. Society Act Workshop recap

Miriam West
Julia Menzies

Great workshop. Realized how on top of things WAVLI is in terms of getting ready for the new Society Act (will likely be set into place by 2017) compared to other associations. Seems title protection will no longer be something available in BC, however WAVLI will be grandfathered in. There are approximately 18 protected titles in BC. WAVLI needs to get policies and procedures in order. It might be worth it for WAVLI to put bylaw review on hold in case more changes come about before 2017 execution date.

ACTION ITEM: Secretary will contact George Bryce to see if WAVLI should put bylaw review on hold until closer to 2017.

8.4. Fall GM Motion and Future Elections

Julia Menzies

Motion coming forward at Fall GM to end staggered voting process and to go back to voting for the entire board at the same time every two years. If passed, new voting system will go into effect starting Spring 2017. This also means that President, Treasurer and Member-at-Large, Membership Committee Chair, Professional Standards Committee Chair and Public Relations Committee Chair will still be up for election at the Spring 2016 GM, however their terms will only be for one year.

ACTION ITEM: Technology Committee will look into Still Talking... DVD-ROMs' copyright laws in regards to uploading to Members Only section on WAVLI website.

Motion to close New Business
Moved: Caitlin Barker Gore
Seconded: Julia Menzies
Motion: CARRIED

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

10. ADJOURNMENT



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Motion to adjourn
Moved: Diana Lane
Motion: CARRIED

7.27 p.m.