



# Idaho Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf

## Official Minutes

**General Business Meeting**  
Saturday March 9, 2019 at 12:15pm  
Idaho State University in Meridian, Idaho

### **Call to Order**

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An annual business meeting of Idaho RID was held on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at Idaho State University in Meridian, Idaho. It began at 12:15pm and was presided over by President Kristy Buffington, with Lauren Seale as secretary. A quorum of 14 voting members was needed and 15 voting members were present.

### **Minutes**

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#### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes of the previous business meeting on April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 was made by Patti Durham and seconded by Fran Bennett.

#### **President's Report**

President's Report was presented by Kristy Buffington. Idaho RID has signed a new MOU with CDHH that will grant Idaho RID \$8,000 a year for trainings around the state to help rural interpreters meet licensure requirements. Kristy's presidential term will end June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Heather Fultz will begin her term as President. Heather will attend the RID National Conference in Rhode Island in July of 2019. After asking for feedback about current website, Idaho RID Board voted and will launch a new website with the platform Wild Apricot. The new URL is [www.idahorid.org](http://www.idahorid.org). The release date will be announced soon. A special thanks to Shelia Robertson and Carrie Peters for their service on the Board as Vice President and Hospitality Chair. The Hospitality Chair position is now vacant.

#### **Other Reports**

The Financial Report was presented by Fran Bennett. After tallying all expenses of the Idaho RID Fall Conference, Idaho RID ended with a negative total of \$298.31 for the conference. Fran explained that Idaho RID did not make a profit on the conference because of the expenses for travel of out-of-state presenters and the cost of the banquet. Because of this, we will not host a large conference every year. However, Idaho RID has offered to host the next Region 5 conference in the summer of 2020. The Region 5 Representative will decide which state will host the conference soon. Currently our Savings Account is a Money Market account, which earns very little interest. Fran is researching options to see if there is a more viable option.

The Professional Development Committee Report was presented by Kristy Buffington. Shannon Stowe and Ann Flannery have been the co-chairs of this committee. Jamie Stirewalt will become the

chairperson. Kristy thanked Shannon and Ann for their service and listed all of the workshops Idaho RID has hosted in the last year.

### **Elections**

Treasurer- Fran Bennett was nominated as Treasurer and accepted the nomination.

Vice President- Dawn Wells was nominated as Vice President. Dawn was not present at the meeting, but she accepted the nomination via text message.

A voice vote election was conducted by Kristy Buffington because there was only one candidate for each position. All present voting members affirmed Fran Bennett as Treasurer and Dawn Wells as Vice President.

### **New Business**

Jo Ann Dobecki Shopbell mentioned that recently a block of nominations was presented at National RID instead of individual officer nominations. Jo Ann asked Kristy what the Affiliate Chapters have said about this. Kristy said she will have a meeting with the Region 5 Affiliate Chapters tomorrow. She speculated it could be because there has been low interest in the positions. Jan mentioned they will announce more information at the national conference according to VIEWS.

### **Announcements**

Announcements and upcoming events were given by President Kristy Buffington.

### **Adjournment**

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A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Patti Durham and seconded by Heather Fultz at 12:50pm.