ennifer Vold - President eff Williamson – Director of Communication losemary Johnson – Director of Professional Development arah Blattberg – Treasurer levin Dyles – Director of Membership equoia El-Amin– Director of Community Relations



Embassy Suites by Hilton, Baltimore MD November 8, 2015 4:08pm – 5:44pm

Quorum Confirmed 40 voting members in attendance

## Jennifer Vold (President)

- Jennifer introduced herself as the current President of PCRID and announced she will be presiding over her first business meeting. Jennifer introduced her Executive Board to the membership. Jeff Williamson is the Director of Communication. Kevin Dyles is the Director of Membership. Sarah Blattberg is the current Treasurer. All three individuals announced their term concludes on December 31, 2015. Jennifer informed the members that PCRID Executive Board consists of 6 Board members with one current vacant position.
- Meeting minutes from the previous Annual Conference Business Meeting on 11/9/14 was displayed for individuals to review.
- Jennifer shared the full report for FY 2014 2015. The report included: PCRID leadership contact information, activities, reports by division, annual financial statement, and narrative summary of the year. Madam President also shared information in regard to transitioning to a new organizational structure and website. Her goal for PCRID is to become more visible, host professional development workshops, work with our sister organizations, etc. Jennifer took the time to share an example of working with a sister organization by having NAOBI-DC Secretary, Mercedes Hunter), serve in the role of PCRID Secretary for the business meeting. If you are interested in seeing the full report, please visit www.pcrid.org and log into your account.
- PCRID Executive Board will host an in depth, all hands retreat on November 14-15. The meeting will focus on PCRID mission, values, bylaws, policies, procedures, and volunteer work.
- Jennifer recognized and thanked the 2015 Conference Committee.
  - o Co-Chairs: Lisa Weems & Denise Perdue
  - A/V Support: Michael Trabert
  - o Food and Beverage: Kevin Dyels & Angela Childers
  - Program Book: Brittany Quickel
  - o Registration: Zellie Meadows
  - Sponsors & Exhibitors: Carlita Godsey
  - Support Staff: D'Lisa Robinson
- Jennifer recognized and thanked the Elected Board and Standing Committees.
  - o Sarah Blattberg, Board member, 2013, 2014, 2015
  - o Jill Brick: Board member, 2015
  - o Angela Conant: Committee member, 2015
  - Kevin Dyles: Board member, 2014 & 2015
  - o Jess Gabrian: Committee member, 2014 & 2015

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- Carol Tipton: Committee member, since 200...
  - Carol Tipton will step down as CEU Coordinator, Erin Schneider will take over the role as CEU Coordinator.

## **Standing Rules**

- Betty Colonomos moved to accept the standing rules.
  - Hilary Mayhew second.
  - Majority (34) voted in favor
  - Motion passed
  - Standing Rule # 3 Erin Schneider stated she is willing to review and approve the conference minutes.
    - Jennifer stated she will secure a second person.
- Standing Rule # 11 if we want a rule changed, and it's only 30 voting members on the issue, we only need 20 voting members in favor to carry the motion.

## Motions

- Mover
  - Patty Moers Patterson
  - Motion 1
    - "I move that [for] each PCRID function, [PCRID] contract the services of CDIs in functions such as: Clarifier, language/cultural mediator, advisor to organic Deaf-ways of operation. Any PCRID event, consult with a CDI & implement recommendations."
  - Seconder
    - Tracey Ison
  - Board response
    - The Board agrees with a desire to address PCRID's communication policy as a whole. For example, a motion made in 2011 states that all events should be accessible in ASL and English. We plan to outline our vision as a Board, and identify the ways in which our Bylaws, Policy & Procedures Manual, & other motions do or don't align with that vision. Changes that require a vote by the membership will be shared via email and on our website.
  - Discussion
    - Patty stated she's been a member of PCRID for a number of years, she stated the concept is not a new idea. Patty is hopeful with your support PCRID can invest into having CDIs become a rooted and organic process in PCRIDs procedures from here on out.
    - Betty Colonomos stated she would like to make an amendment to the motion. Betty stated she wish to see a committee, composed of at least one deaf member who oversees the logistics planning of future PCRID conferences. Betty's goal is to ensure deaf eyes are always present and represented on the conference planning committees.
      - Re Betty's amendment President Jennifer stated Betty's comment is not an amendment; it's geared towards a new motion.
    - Denise Perdue, asked for clarification regarding said language in the current motion. It reads

".....[PCRID] contract the services of CDIs". Denise asked if contract consist of paid services?

- Re Denise's question Patty stated *contract* doesn't necessary equate to paid, however, solicit the help of an individual on an ongoing basis.
- Carol Tipton made an amendment to change the word *contract* to *consult*.

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- Seconder Denise Perdue
- Jennifer moved to close the discussion.
  - Motion passed

- Jennifer Vold stated we would move forward with voting to change the word from *contract* to *consult*.
  - Motion carries
- Jennifer Vold clarified to the members; we are now discussing the current motion.
- Betty Colonomos asked for clarification in regards to why the Board response is public.
  - Jeff Williamson stated it's simply the response from the Board; however, the members will vote on the motion not the response from the Board. Jennifer Vold stated according to standing rule number 7, the board gave rationale to said motion, hence, why it's being shared with the members.
  - Kelby Brick called to close the discussion on the current motion.
    - Seconder Jennifer Bell
    - Motion passed to close discussion
      - 24 in favor
      - 6 opposed
- Moved to vote on current motion.
  - Motion passed
    - 23 in favor
    - 1 opposed

## Motions from the floor

- Mover
  - o Betty Colonomos
- Motion 2
  - I move that beginning January 1, 2016 all PCRID sponsored events that are planned by committee shall have at least one Deaf PCRID member on the committee.
  - Amended: In the event that no Deaf members volunteer, the Board shall consult with Deaf members to offer alternatives. (Amended by Betty Colonomos)
- Seconder
  - o Carol Tipton
  - o Patty Moers-Patterson –Seconded the Amendment
- Discussion
  - Betty Colonomos stated it's important to have our Deaf colleagues involved with the planning of PCRID sponsored events.
  - Erin Schneider asked how will this impact PCRID bylaws considering those who serve do so as a volunteer.
    - Jennifer stated Betty's motion will not impact the bylaws, however, it will focus on procedures.
  - Jennifer Bell stated the (original) motion could use more clarification regarding the language, such as the word *member* on the committee, instead of *volunteer*.

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- Jennifer Vold stated we are voting to accept the amendment.
  - Motion carries
    - 26 in favor
    - 0 opposed
  - Jerry stated we should still follow best practices and perhaps set up a list of best practices.
  - Rachel Burr Cordova asked for clarification regarding the language of *deaf members volunteer* in the amendment.
- Patty Moers-Patterson moved to close the discussion.
  - Keby Brick seconded
  - Motion carries
    - 29 in favor
- Jennifer Vold stated we are now voting on passing the motion as it reads on the screen.
  - Motion carries
  - $\circ$  22 in favor
  - $\circ$  0 opposed
- Jeff Williamson proposed to close nomination discussion and asked to move on with the nomination process.
  - Carol Tipton second
- Point of Order
  - Betty Colonomos asked to do a recount of voting members to ensure we still have a quorum
  - Kelby Brick suggested it's best for Jennifer to lead the meeting, as she's the current President rather than letting the letting the parliamentarian make substantive decisions.
  - Jennifer Vold stated, upon recounting, we do not have a quorum, ultimately resulting in PCRID not being able to move forward with the nomination and election portion. Jennifer stated the voting would occur online; we need a 40% response for the vote to be valid.
  - Betty Colomomos wanted to make another motion. Jennifer Vold reminded her that without quorum the membership could not vote on her motion.
- Meeting adjourned at 5:44