

Minutes
Wednesday Sept 27, 2017
Gallaudet/Remote
6-9:00pm

The Board:

President (2017-2018)	Gina D'Amore
Director of Community Relations (2017-2018)	Traci Ison
Director of Meetings (2017-2018)	D'Lisa Robinson
Director of Membership (2016 & 2017)	Kevin Dyels
Treasurer (2016 & 2017)	Sarah Blattberg
Director of Professional Development (2017-2018)	Bradley Christlieb
Director of Communications (2017)	Jo Westbury

Call To Order 6:39pm

- **Welcome Jo!**
 - Settling in? Questions? Meet and greet? MOU? – The board welcomed Jo Westbury to the group as our interim Director of Communications. Welcome!!
- **Other Items**
 - Taxes/exempt card/resident agent (Sarah) – There were issues getting our tax-exempt card reinstate. We should have things back in order around Oct 1, 2017.
 - Upcoming workshop (Bradley) – The event is on Oct 14th at CCBC. Mercedes has more details.
- **Conference**
 - Contract hold up – We are still waiting on CCBC to formalize the contract. There has been a lack of communication on CCBC's end. Rebecca Minor is helping us move things along. The rooms are reserved regardless.
 - Food and Beverage contract – Kevin has been in communication with the POC. We are waiting to sign the main contract before the food and beverage contract.
 - Call for Presenters- Bradley and his committee met on Monday. We received enough proposals and picked the presenters. We need to finalized the schedule and contact the presenters.
 - Schedule Draft – **Action item:** ad the town hall licensure discussion to the schedule (D'Lisa)
 - CCBC – Volunteers are in place through our partnership with CCBC and also through general volunteer recruitment. Each committee needs to make sure they contact their student volunteers.
 - Registration – 3 people have registered thus far (even without much information being posted).
 - Call for interpreters – Do we need interpreters?
 - Exhibitor/Sponsorship – D'Lisa and Jo will be taking on this role. The board disagreed with the nominated individuals.
 - Time line update – The update will be done by email.
- **Proposals from:**
 - Betty Colonomos (2)
 - Jana Mauldin
 - Naomi Sheneman (2)
 - Jeffery Palmer
 - Dale Withrow
 - Alan Marcus
 - Wink Smith, Jr (11)
 - Sheryl Cooper (4)
 - Mlako and a Co presenter...??
 - NAD??
 - Candice Barnes (2)
 - Laura Wickless
 - Stephen Wiener

- **Miscellaneous items**

- D'Lisa has something – D'Lisa will be resigning from her role after 2 years of serving on the board due to pregnancy. Her family has planned a baby shower the week of the conference as well, which will impact her attendance.
 - Kirsi gave an update on the MD licensure - We would like to have a discussion or town hall during the conference. Because the last community forums were announced very last minute at ODHH's request, the PCRID board would like to hold a town hall in partnership with MDAD to discuss licensure with the community. PCRID would like to reach out to all members of the community and ensure everyone is clear, and has been heard. The PCRID/MDAD work group would like to discuss reasons why we are not working with the Maryland Commission on it: Stakeholders do not want to move forward and introduce the bill through them because once it has been introduced, the governors office has the ability to make changes to its discretion, and the workgroup/stakeholders no longer have control of what will be proposed. It also needs to be known that this will not even go into affect for another 5 - 8 years. These dialogues have taken place in limited areas, so the work group will be broadening their efforts to hold meetings in various areas of Maryland. Regardless, the community needs to know PCRID is not moving aggressively, we want their voices heard.
 - Regional 2 Information- The conference is coming up in April of 2018.
 - RID meeting – RID wants to meet with us.
 - Deaf Visa – Traci will send out an email to the board regarding this request for donation/partnership.
 - Zoom Account- We will hold this agenda item until next meeting or discuss online through email.
 - Business Meeting announcement – This item is being held over until the next meeting or will be discussed online through email.
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