

Interpreter Review Board Meeting
May 7, 2010
1:00pm-3:00pm
4600 Valley Rd
Conference Room 4A

A. Call to Order:

The meeting of the Nebraska Interpreter Review Board was called to order by Chairperson Woodhead at 1:05pm at the NCDHH office in Lincoln, NE.

Board Members present: Dr. Peter Seiler, Ms. Barb Woodhead (Chair), Mr. Gary Theiler (Vice-Chair), Mr. David Montgomery, Mr. Bob Deaton, Ms. Tami Richardson-Nelson, Ms. Kelly Brakenhoff, Ms. Vickie Steinhauer-Campbell

Interpreters: Mr. Ben Sparks and Ms. Lorelei Waldron

Absent:

Public attendees: Mr. Art Nelson

Staff: Ms. Traci Cooney, Ms. Dala McNew

B. Meeting Planning Procedure

- a. Dr. Pete Seiler stated that there needs to be a copy of the Open Meeting Act in the meeting room during every meeting.
- b. As a group, the board decided that the Vice-Chairperson will be in charge of the roll calls at future meetings.

C. Approval of Agenda:

- a. Ms. Barb Woodhead added section C under New Business - Licensure in regards to University of Nebraska

Motion to approve agenda as amended.

[Mr. David Montgomery/Ms. Tami Richardson-Nelson/Motion passed]

D. Approval of minutes:

- a. February 5, 2010 Minutes

Motion to approve minutes.

[Mr. David Montgomery/Dr. Peter Seiler/Motion passed/Ms. Tami Richardson-Nelson and Ms. Kelly Brakenhoff abstained]

E. Public Comments – None

F. Old Business

- a. Member expirations
 - i. Dr. Seiler discussed how the members' terms were originally outlined in LB 87. Members received a handout that outlined each member's term. No action taken.
- b. Bylaws
 - i. Mr. Montgomery informed everyone that the previous language he submitted to members via email was incorrect. He handed out a newer version. Members reviewed the new version and discussed changes to make in order for it to relate to this board.
 - ii. Dr. Seiler thanked Mr. Montgomery for his leadership in providing the language.

Motion to accept the changes in the bylaws.

[Ms. Tami Richardson-Nelson/Ms. Kelly Brakenhoff/Motion passed]

(Ms. Cooney will make changes and send revised language to board members)

- c. Review LB 310
 - i. Dr. Peter Seiler handed out an example of licensure from Illinois. Discussion ensued regarding whether Nebraska should follow along with some states or not. He stated that the Full Commission Board is waiting to see if Senator Haar will be reelected for support. Senator Haar has given Dr. Seiler the names of some other Legislators that may support LB 310 in his absence.
 - ii. Members discussed the fact that the Nebraska Department of Education is separate under the licensing bill. NDE has its own requirements.

Motion to table this discussion until the next meeting.

[Ms. Tami Richardson-Nelson/Mr. David Montgomery/Motion passed]

G. New Business

- a. Calling Order Process
 - i. Determined not a subject for this board to look at.
- b. Notice of meeting attendance
 - i. Ms. Cooney explained to this board that she will need to do an attendance check earlier than what has been done. This needs to be done in order to send public notices to state newspapers. It was decided that Ms. Cooney will ask for attendance 30 days prior to the meeting and members will have 5 days to respond. If there is not a quorum as of that date, the meeting will be rescheduled. No action taken.
- c. Licensure regarding University of Nebraska
 - i. The Board discussed licensure issues related to University of Nebraska and interpreting the National Anthem at football games. No action taken.

H. Public Comments - None

I. Announcements

- a. Dr. Seiler handed out fliers regarding information on Deaf Services Unlimited. He explained that they are a referral agency/business. It's their intention to set up office in the Omaha area. They also want to set up work in Omaha and Lincoln. They plan to expand within the state at some point in the future.

J. Next Meeting

- a. July 30, 2010

Meeting adjourned 2:37pm