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Annual MRID Business Meeting 16 October 2023

Reviewed by: David Evans, Sarah Houge, Patty Gordon

Attendance

Position/Name	16 October 2023
President: Michelle Remer	X
Operations Director: Lauren Hudson	X
Membership Director: Emilee Linahon	
Finance Director: Laura SkyQuest	
Community Relations Director: Maria Rodriguez-Dively	X
Programs Director: Krista Anderson	
Communications Director: Gilda Houck-Markovits	X

Parliamentarian

Emory David Dively

Credentialing

At the time credentialing was happening, 16 voting members were present for the meeting. 11 voting members were needed to maintain quorum. Quorum was met for the meeting.

Opening

President Remer opened the 2023 Annual Business Meeting at 6:31 pm on the Zoom Video Conference Platform.

Standing Rules

The standing rules were projected on the screen and members were given time to review.

Motion 23:10:01: Move to approve the 2023 MRID Business Meeting Standing Rules (Board of Directors) CARRIED

Approval of Annual Business Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Quorum Report
3. Standing Rules Approval
4. Agenda Approval
5. Old Business
 - a. 2022 Business Meeting Minutes Approval
 - b. 2023 Board and Committee Reports
6. New Business
 - a. Officer Elections
 - b. Motions from the MRID Board
 - c. Motions from the floor
7. Announcements
8. Close

Motion 23:10:02: Move to approve the 2023 MRID Business Meeting Agenda (Board of Directors) CARRIED

Old Business


Approval of 2022 Annual Business Meeting Minutes

Reviewed by: Susan Boinis, Ander Bolduc, Cheryl Fielitz

Motion 23:10:03: Move to approve the 2022 Annual Business Meeting Minutes (Board of Directors) CARRIED

Board and Committee Reports

Board and Committee reports were emailed to members and on the website [link here:

 [2023 MRID Board and Committee End of Year Reports](#) available for review]

New Business

Officer Elections:

Two of the three open positions starting in 2024 were filled via online elections prior to the business meeting. Those elected were:

- President: Michelle Remer, January 1st 2024 - December 31st, 2025
- Programs Director: Alyssa Hill, January 1st 2024 - December 31st, 2025

Michelle Remer was recognized as President by acclamation.
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Alyssa Hill was recognized as Programs Director by acclamation.

Positions Open for Nominations from the Floor

- Membership Director: January 1st, 2024 – December 31st, 2025

One nomination was brought forward for Membership Director. Tarra Grammenos respectfully declined the nomination.

Board Motions

Motion 23:10:04

Motion A. Change in Annual Business Meeting Month Requirement

ARTICLE III - MEETINGS

SEC. 1: There shall be an annual business meeting of the organization ~~during the month of October~~ in the fall (September- November.) (Board of Directors) CARRIED

Rationale: Keeping the language broad allows the board more flexibility in scheduling the annual business meeting. In a recent MRID survey to the community, 44% of responders said the time of year (October/MEA) was a barrier to attending a fall conference/event.

Motion 23:10:05

Motion B. Clarify Language on Board Appointments

ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS, SEC. 7: Vacancies

C. Vacancies shall ~~may~~ be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board of Directors. ~~The person appointed shall fill the vacancy until a successor is elected.~~ Individuals appointed to fill a vacancy will complete the remainder of the term of their predecessor. (Board of Directors) CARRIED

Rationale: Current language is vague and needs clarification. Current language doesn't specify the length of term for an elected successor. New language proposes that whomever is appointed will finish out the remainder of the scheduled term. Replacing "shall" with "may" gives the Board of Directors flexibility when appointing depending how much time is left on that term.

Motions from the floor:

No motions were brought forth from the floor.

Welcome of 2024-2025 Board Members

MRID Board of Directors

Term Jan. 1, 2023 – Dec. 31, 2024

Operations Director – Lauren Hudson

Finance Director – Laura SkyQuest

Communications Director – Gilda Houck-Markovits

Community Relations Director – Maria Rodriguez-Dively

Term Jan. 1, 2024 - Dec. 31, 2025

President – Michelle Remer

Programs Director – Alyssa Hill

Membership Director – vacant

Announcements

Short announcements were given about November's awards ceremony, freelance interpreter and Merge events, and the upcoming educational interpreters workshop.

Closing

Motion 23:10:06

Motion to Adjourn

**Be it moved that this 2023 MRID Annual Business Meeting is Adjourned
(Evans/Rodriguez-Dively) CARRIED**