

# ICRID Annual Business Meeting

Indiana School for the Deaf, Indianapolis, IN  
November 13, 2004

Conference greeting by Nancy Young

**Lighting of the unity candle** -- by past President Dave Calvert.

**Standing Rules** – Glenn Carlstrand made a motion **AM04.11.01 “to approve Standing Rules”**, seconded by Dave Calvert. PASSED.

Official Quorum count—by Randy Nicolai –Quorum: credentialed—need 12, have 12 = quorum.

President Judy Cain officially opened the business meeting at 5:55 p.m.

## State of the Organization

1. The board had the annual Board Retreat in January, where we set goals, prioritized goals for the year.
2. ICRID was the host for the first Region III Conference here in Indianapolis, Indiana during July.
  - a. First 5 day conference in history of Regional Conferences.
  - b. Raised over \$35,000 in grants and donations for the Conference.
  - c. Final report on Region III Conference should be available soon.
  - d. approximately 450 people attended
3. The board has experienced some turnovers.
  - a. Mary Alka, member-at-large, resigned to spend more time with children and was replaced with Ayanna Clayton.
  - b. Carrie Westhoelter, Vice President recently resigned, we need to elect Nancy Young as Vice President. Tony Myers is replacing Nancy Young as member-at-large.
  - c. Bob Canty has resigned as member-at-large, Vera Masters is replacing Bob for the remainder of his term.
4. Goals for next year:
  - a. All interpreters earn their CEUs to maintain certifications.
  - b. To find someone to chair the ICRID Historical Committee and compile ICRID’s history into a usable format.
  - c. Goal to change how educational interpreters are viewed and treated.
  - d. That more people become involved in ICRID events. The ICRID board cannot do all the planning alone.

## Awards

### 1. ICRID Board Awards

- a. to Brownsburg High School Tech Department. During the Region III Conference, Tony Myers was AV coordinator and he was able to recruit people from Brownsburg’s Tech Department for opening ceremonies. Their help was greatly appreciated.
- b. to Amy Mattern, secretary of DHHS. Amy took care of an enormous amount of paperwork for the Region III Conference’s CEU’s without complaint and always pleasant.
- c. to Holly Miles, chair for hospitality suite for Region III. One of the biggest strengths of the conference was the Hospitality Suite. She was able to have everything donated for the room. She made sure that everything ran smoothly throughout the conference. Holly will also be the hospitality chairperson for the 2005 Joint conference between IAD and ICRID.
- d. to Tony Myers, AV coordinator for the Region III Conference. Tony was instrumental in

coordinating all the AV needs for the entire conference, a huge responsibility. By having equipment donated and loaned we saved thousands of dollars on the final bill. Tony will also be the AV coordinator at the 2005 IAD/ICRID Joint Conference.

- e. to Dalonda Young, who served on the fundraising committee and wrote grants for the Region III Conference. Because of her efforts, grant/fundraising totals exceeded expectations. She helped write \$50,000 worth of grants and the conference received over \$35,000. She is also grant writing for the 2005 Joint Conference IAD/ICRID.
- f. to Randy Nicolai, board award for Treasurer. One of the best treasurer's ICRID has had. He managed to juggle all the registration checks and outgoing bills with grace.

**2. 2004 Member of The Year Award** -- Nancy Young.

- 3. President's Award** – "This person has been instrumental in where I am today as a leader. I've praised this person over and over again as a role model for what's right, what's not right, what a professional really means. I followed this person to 5 different conferences in one year." -- Congratulations to MYRON YODER.

**Old Business**

**1. Minutes from 2003 Annual Business Meeting**

- IAD/ICRID Joint Conference—All work and proceeds will be a 50-50 split.
- **AM04.11.02** – Tony Myers made a motion "**for acceptance of minutes as corrected**". Randy Nicolai seconded. PASSED.

**2. Elections**

Nancy Young was voted in by acclamation of the Secretary. Nancy is the new vice-president finishing Carrie Westhoelter's term.

**3. Treasurer's Report**

Beginning Balance: 18,576.52  
Income: 14,035.24  
Expenses: 32,101.04  
Ending Balance (10-31-04): 3336.73

**4. Annual Committee Reports (from 2003)**

a. **Annual Conference Committee** – Submitted by Judy Cain, chair

The annual Conference was held at French Lick Springs & Spa in French Lick, Indiana the weekend of November 11-12, 2003. The workshop line-up was very exciting, and there was no lack of interesting workshop topics to choose from. Ari-Asha Castalia was the keynote speaker and workshop presenter on the topic "Walking the Talk: Analytical Feedback in Practice" – being intentional about asking for feedback from a team interpreter. Greg Gantt presented "Video Relay Service: How Will It Impact Interpreting?" – discussing the newest technology in video interpreting. Edna Johnston presented "A Native ASL User's English, History & Science Vocabulary" – how to handle some of the vocabulary seen in those three subjects. Richard Laurion & Paula Gajewski presented "Professional Development: From the Inside Out" – How to take a proactive role in your own professional development. Cheryl Moose presented on "Living a Passionate Life: Balancing our Personal, Professional and Volunteer Lives" – How to balance every aspect of our lives and still be involved. Last but not least, Kathy Roche presented "Interpret Smarter, Not Harder: Pedagogy for Educational Interpreters" and "Letting Go: Fostering Independence in the Mainstream Student" - focusing on educational interpreter skills.

Elections took place during the business meeting.

New officers were elected for 2 year terms:

- President – Judy Cain
- Vice President – Carrie Westhoelter
- Secretary – Barb Cain
- Treasurer – Randy Nicolai

New Members-at-Large were also elected for 4 year terms:

- Christine Krock
- Mary Alka

Awards were presented during the luncheon. President Dave Calvert presented **the President's Award** to both Judith Carson for her undying mentoring and advice to him during his career, and to Corey Calvert, his son, for his unending love and support of his dad during the past 8 years. **Member of the Year Award** was a very close decision between three deserving candidates: Carrie Westhoelter, Rebecca Buchan and Judy Cain. Judy Cain was presented the award. **ICRID board awards** were presented to the following: Fort Wayne Satellite coordinators – Marsha Kunasch and Christine Krock, South Bend Satellite coordinator – Angela Myers, Evansville Satellite coordinator – Loycene Sollman, Hands On – Pam Cole, Bradley United Methodist Church, and Deaf Link – Marsha Kunasch. One final award was given during the luncheon, the **Lester Stanfill Award**, ICRID's highest honor. Bob Canty was honored with this very prestigious award after many, many faithful years devoted to ICRID and to the interpreting profession.

The conference support team did a phenomenal job during the conference. We were honored to have the following team: Terri Corey (IUPUI), Alice Bunte (IUPUI), Grace Hetrick (Bethel), Sarah Kintigh (Bethel), Charlie Maurer (IUPUI graduate), and Deb Ritchie (Educational Interpreter).

b. **Annual Spring Retreat Committee** -- Submitted by Nancy Young

The Annual Spring Retreat was postponed from the Spring until this Fall due to the intense planning and manpower needed for the 2004 RID Region III Conference which was hosted by ICRID in July. The ASR took place the weekend of November 12-13, 2004 and was renamed the AIR (ASL Immersion Retreat).

c. **Awards and Scholarship Committee** -- Submitted by Dave Calvert, chair

**Marvin Marshall Scholarship** -- There were no Spring or Fall applicants, so no scholarship awarded for 2004. **ICRID Member of the Year** -- Nominees were: Nancy Young, Dave Calvert, Angela Myers and Patrick Ip. Winner will be announced during the Annual Business Meeting after the AIR. **Lester Stanfill Award**: There were no nominees. **2004 ICRID Board Awards**: These will be awarded during the Annual Business meeting after the AIR.

d. **Bylaws Committee** – Antonette Needham, chair

No report submitted

e. **Fundraising Committee** -- Submitted by Dave Calvert, chair

The fundraising committee raised a total of \$37,240.00 to help fund the RID Region III Conference. These monies consisted of grants from foundations and/or businesses, donations from private members, and contributions from other RID Affiliate Chapters.

f. **Membership Committee** – Submitted by Randy Nicolai, chair

As of October 16, 2004, ICRID had six **(6) Organizational** members and **191 Individual** members. On October 29, I sent 108 "LAST ISSUE" labels to our newsletter editor to those members whose membership had lapsed as of October 31. As of November 4, fourteen members' renewals crossed in the

mail. As the January/February 2005 issue of the newsletter is sent out, I will be sending letters and membership applications to those members whom have not renewed by then, hoping they will renew. Also as of November 4, ICRID has four **(4) Organizational** members and **101 Individual** members.

In last year's Annual Meeting report regarding the senior citizen membership rate, I erred when I stated there was no further discussion since the March 2003 Board meeting. I happened to review those minutes and noticed that a motion had been made and passed. The minutes of the motion reads, "**Bob Canty made a motion that the rate for membership dues for senior citizens be reduced to \$15.00. Angela Myers seconded. Discussion. Called to vote. One abstention. Passed.**" Therefore, I will ask the newsletter editor and website administrator to reflect the change in their respective medias after discussing whether the recent membership rate increase shall affect the senior citizen rate.

As a reminder to educational interpreters working in a school that is an Organizational Member of ICRID and providing a list of educational interpreters to the Membership Chair, I noticed in the minutes for October 18, 2003, the Board voted to provide a \$5.00 discount to enable those educational interpreters to keep her/his membership benefits in ICRID.

Winner of Free Membership (refer a member) is Dave Calvert.

- g. **Newsletter Committee** -- Submitted by Nancy Young, board liaison  
Mary Riccius has just completed her second year as editor of Insights. The newsletter is sent out to the membership six times a year. The ICRID board would like to encourage the membership to submit articles of interest, news of upcoming workshops or any bits of information to Mary. We welcome you to join the newsletter committee to assist with writing articles and proofing the newsletter before it goes to print. At the beginning of the year the board set a goal to make the newsletter bigger and better and I believe we have met that goal and can be very proud of our newsletter. If you wish to submit an article or have any questions concerning the newsletter feel free to send Mary an e-mail at [dmriccius@kconline.com](mailto:dmriccius@kconline.com).
- h. **Professional Development Committee (PDC)** – Submitted by Carrie Westhoelter, chair  
As Chair of the Professional Development Committee and Board Liaison to ICRID, I am pleased to continue to serve as the Certificate Maintenance Program (CMP) Administrator. We have had another good year with an average number of requests for continuing education activities, as follows:
- Sponsored workshops – 5
  - Participant Initiated Non-RID Activities – 8
  - Independent Studies – 2
  - Academic Coursework – 10
- Since ICRID was host of the RID Region III conference this year, we did not have our traditional annual statewide conference. Typically, providing CEUs for the workshops at our annual conferences is a large feat; however, this year we had an even bigger challenge with the Region III conference. In order to provide seamless service to our conference participants from Indiana and the other 6 states within the region, we enlisted the help of Indiana Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services (DHHS) to serve as the CMP Sponsor. On-site, Deka Oliver and Jerry Cooper were able to streamline services for participants at all certification levels: IIC, EIC, and RID. Behind the scenes though, Amy Mattern provided the administrative support necessary to make it all happen. A big thank you to the staff at DHHS for a job well-done!
- i. **Ways & Means Committee** – Submitted by Bob Canty, chair  
Lynn Frye and I audited the ICRID's treasury budget two or three times since November

2003. In September, Kathy Roche, Randy Nicolai and I worked on the fiscal year treasury recapitulations of 2003/2004 and made a proposal budget for 2004/2005.

j. **Website Committee** – Submitted by Nancy Young, board liaison

This has been an incredibly busy year for our web-master, Dalonda Young. As most of you are aware ICRID was the host chapter of the RID Region 3 conference this past summer and Dalonda had the enormous task of keeping the website up to date with all the information concerning the conference. She did a fantastic job and we thank her for her hard work. To date there have been 13,775 hits on the website and this is double from what we reported last year at this time. The website has turned out to be a very valuable tool for this organization. Dalonda asks that all interpreting agencies contact her with pertinent information so she can post it on the ICRID link page. Once the regional conference was behind us Dalonda made some changes to the website and updated other areas and is always open for suggestions from the membership. If you want to post any information on the website or have any ideas/suggestions feel free to contact Dalonda at [dalonda@kuntry.net](mailto:dalonda@kuntry.net).

k. **Satellite Reports**

**Evansville** -- Coordinators: Sara Barnett & Marva Johnson

This past year has been a year of transition for our Evansville satellite. In May Marva Johnson & Sara Barnett agreed to take on the task of being co-coordinators for the Evansville satellite. The group has had a couple of different workshops this year and is looking forward to having more workshops to offer their interpreters in 2005.

**South Bend** -- Coordinator: Angela Myers

**Fort Wayne** -- Coordinator: Marsha Kunasch

**5. 2004 Annual Meeting Motions**

**AM04.11.01** -- Glenn Carlstrand made a motion **AM04.11.01 "to approve Standing Rules"**, seconded by Dave Calvert. PASSED.

**AM04.11.02** – Tony Myers made a motion **"for acceptance of minutes as corrected"**. Randy Nicolai seconded. PASSED.

**6. RESOLUTIONS** – NONE

**New Business** –

None

Dave moved for adjournment, Nancy seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm....