

GVERRID Board Meeting  
December 7th, 2019  
RVA

**Present:**

Chris Kelley, president  
Kate Pedersen, vice-president  
Lola Johnston, PD committee  
Eric Severson, Social Media  
John Dunleavy, Member at large  
Eliza Fowler, Treasurer  
Renee Burns, Student Rep

**Absent/Excused:**

Andi Durkin, member at large  
Don Heinz, membership  
Quinn Webb, Secretary  
Billy Windhorn, Deaf Member at Large  
Kat Daviton-Burlarnd, Member at Large

Meeting open 9:

1. Approval of August Minutes
  - a. Passed
2. Reports
  - a. Treasurer
    - i. Just emailed out
    - ii. ~\$15,800 for balance
      1. Will soon change because insurance will be deducted in January
      2. A small negative income since July 1st but not concerned about it.
      3. Had some expenses from workshops, general meeting, guests, etc.
    - iii. We have enough to cover all of our expenses
    - iv. The two PD's in Jan and Feb will help balance out the negative.
  - b. Secretary
    - i. No report
  - c. Committees
    - i. Bylaws
      1. The bylaws that the committee edited (KP, Chris, Lola), John caught a mistake

2. Need to figure out how to send out the bylaws before the next general meeting, 6 weeks prior, and then we will vote on them.
3. But they are all done and ready to go once they are voted upon.
4. General Meeting for Spring
  - a. Postponed until March 21st to allow for more participation from general members due to Spring Break.
  - b. Will have both bylaws and nominations for elections

ii. PD

1. Eliza already summed up what we did so far this year.
  - a. Nothing to do during November and December, focusing on holidays.
2. We have two planned for the next year.
  - a. Jan. 7, 2020 - Monroe Water Treatment Plant
    - i. Everything is completely set for this one.
  - b. Feb 21, 2020 - Tour of the Monroe County Crime Lab
    - i. Everything is ready but we are waiting for a few small things to work out.
3. Our goal for these are to start figuring out which ones will be bigger and more popular so that we can try and offset cost so that we can maybe get a little bit of PD money going.
4. We have a goal for Monroe Firehouse
  - a. Visit twice: One tour in English and the second tour in ASL.
5. Maybe thinking of contacting the Deaf Vet that's here in Rochester for future (May-ish).
  - a. Kimberly Dodge
6. Chris and Kate asked if we have anything planned that is more skills based?
  - a. Not currently but there are some ideas
    - i. An Ethics part II
    - ii. Legal Interpreting
      1. Maybe trying to set up a CEU workshop
      2. Kate mentioned if we can maybe set up at least a small group to discuss, talk, and study the system and language.
      3. Chris is happy to do some sort of small group and, not only do the interpreting part but also the entire system. There just needs to be interest.
        - a. RPD, Courts, Lawyers, etc.
        - b. We just have to figure out how to set it up.
        - c. Lola and Kate suggested setting it up similar to the Friday colloquium.

- d. Lola will start the work of setting up the CEUs.
      - e. Jim will send out the email and set up the interest poll on facebook to gage how much and who is interested.
  - 7. Hands-in-entertainment is bringing in Josh Castile
    - a. Friday, March 6th is the performance
    - b. Saturday, March 7th is doing a workshop
  - 8. Chris suggested doing a bigger workshop from GVERRID June/July
    - a. Avoiding RID in July
    - b. Maybe Dak Verning
      - i. Maybe in collaboration with Gene. Having a performance and workshop
  - 9. PD is sending out announcements and notifications to DAS-Buffalo and Service Bridges
  - 10. Chris would like to see something happen out in Buffalo
    - a. Lola has some ideas
    - b. Niagara Falls Power Plant for Aug maybe?
  - 11. Maybe try and get one of the speakers that are coming to DAS to also maybe do a workshop for us?
  - 12. We need to do something within the realms of PPO CEUs.
    - a. Lola is trying to set something up for summer
  - 13. Kate also mentions that we need to do something and foster our CDIs.
- iii. CMP
    - 1. Nothing to report
  - iv. Membership
    - 1. Nothing to report
  - v. Website
    - 1. Just renewed godaddy
  - vi. Social Media/PR
    - 1. Have all of the social media. Will post on facebook about having them.
    - 2. Want to get #gvrotr up and running starting of the year
    - 3. Will take information from website and use it to put on social media outlets.
  - vii. President
    - 1. Region 1 GVR is responsible for 2 committees
      - a. Logo - Sage did it and IT IS beautiful
        - i. Sage already paid the graphic designer but Chris would like to pay Sage to offset the balance so that Sage doesn't have to bear it herself.
      - b. Support Staff - Emily Aquino and Sage are co-chairing it
        - i. They are working on it right now.
      - c. Still not covered is RID Cares



- i. Done
  - m. Eliza to contact Monroe County clerk for 501-C3
    - i. Still doing it
- 4. New Business
- 5. Announcements
  - a. Next meeting is Jan 11th

Meeting closed at 11:36am

**Action Items:**

- **Eliza to contact IRS for 501-C3**
- **Agenda needs to be sent out one week prior to any meeting**
- **Chris will write up a draft lesson plan for the Legal Interpreting Small Group.**
- **Eric needs a bio for Social Media**
- **Renee needs a bio for student rep**
- **Chris will talk with Billy and see what is happening**
- **Eliza and Eric will work together to send something to Kat saying that we will provide and support in any way possible.**
- **Eric advertise on facebook.**