1. Authors: Daniel Burch, Denise Crochet; Second: Barbara Lovas

Motion: (M2019.01) Move that LRID appoint a delegation of Dr. Daniel Burch, Ms. Denise Crochet, and Dr. Barbara Lovas to meet with the Chief Justice of the Louisiana Supreme Court to urge implementation of promises made regarding eligibility for: (1) recognition of the RID SC:L as “certified,” (2) eligibility for training, and (3) continuing education to be listed on the Louisiana Supreme Court Registry of Court Interpreters.

Rationale: The original Program Manager for the Registry of Interpreters agreed to the following:

1. Recognition of the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc. Specialist Certificate” Legal (SC:L) and/or the Texas Board of Evaluation of Interpreters (BEI Court Certificate) as satisfying the LSC requirements for proof capability to be recognized as certified. This is in keeping with the National Center for State Courts protocol.

2. Implement pre-requisites for eligibility to take the LSC Interpreter Training
   a. Possess and maintain current certification: RID 1) SC:L, or 2) MCSC, or 3) CSC, or 4) CI/CT, or 5) NIC Master, or 6) NAD Advanced, or 7) NAD V, or 8) BEI Court
   b. A Minimum of a 4-year degree
   c. Documented 50 hours of training in the legal system, protocol, ethics and vocabulary, and court room interpreting.

3. Establish a continuing education requirement – 2.0 Continuing Education Units every four years. Such proof can be provided through the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc. or the Texas BEI office.

The current Program Manager has blocked this, saying that “we decided to go in a different direction.”

Not to implement such criteria for American Sign Language Interpreters forces the profession backwards.

Fiscal Impact: None

Vote: passed
   Opposition: none
   Abstain: none

2. Author: Daniel Burch; Second: Shirley Delahoussaye
Motion: (M2019.02) Move that LRID requests that LCD delete the two signatures of Deaf people to attend LCD workshops.

Rationale: There is no rationale for LCD to implement this armchair requirement.

Fiscal Impact: None

Discussion:

Janie Powell - clarification of motion

Daniel Burch: Must have 2 letters of recommendation to attend workshops

Bernice Cooper: How do we change LCD’s policy that is out of our control

Daniel: Motion for LRID because we have a rep on LCD Board so the LRID Rep will ask to remove those requirements.

Question: Please read again to clarify what we are voting on

Amendment: LRID position requests LCD remove the required signatures needed to attend the workshops. Second: Denise Crochet

Vote: Passed

Opposition: none

3. Author: Daniel Burch; Second: Janie Powell

Motion: (M2019.03) Move that LRID write a letter to LCD’s Executive Director for her supervisor expressing disappointment in the lack of attendance at LRID’s 50th Anniversary.

Rationale: It is tradition that LCD attends LRID as LRID sits on the LCD Board.

Fiscal Impact: None

Discussion:

Daniel Burch: Historically LRID was there when LCD established, we have a seat on the commission. They always attended in the past out of respect, so where is the respect now?

Vote: Passed

Opposition: some

Motion: carries

4. Author: Dawn Melendez; Second: Shirley Delahoussaye
Motion: (M2019.04) Move to add a category of eligible membership in our Bylaws the category of Retired Interpreter.

Rationale: RID recognizes interpreters who are retired and allows them to the same privileges as when they were active.

Fiscal Impact: Allows retirees to participate all al conferences and trainings at a reduced cost.

Discussion:
Dawn Melendez: RID has the category so I think LRID should follow suit and continue to grow. Due to us not having the category and price reduction we don’t allow growing—would promote more growth for students.

Vote: due to it being a Bylaws change it was referred to the Bylaws Committee

5. Author: Dawn Melendez; Second: Shirley Delahoussaye

Motion: (M2019.05) Move that LRID Bylaws Committee investigate ways to create a memberships category for our Deaf community.

Rationale: To encourage Deaf participation in LRID functions.

Fiscal Impact: None

Discussion:
Dawn Melendez: Discussed many years and we have nothing now for this so I would like to add this to the Bylaws.

Vote: Referred to the Bylaws Committee

6. Author: Vicki Crochet; Second: Anna Duhon

Motion: (M2019.06) Move that LRID get a 50th Anniversary T-shirt with pre-sales and limit the cost to $25-$30.

Rationale: Many members Deaf and hearing are asking for this.

Fiscal Impact: Only to members that purchase one

Vote: passed

   Opposition: none

   Abstain: none