

**CERTIFIED SHORTHAND REPORTERS
BOARD MEETING
June 14, 2003**

Roll Call. The Idaho Certified Shorthand Reporters Board met June 14, 2003 at the Owhyee Plaza Hotel in Boise. Present were: Honorable Brent Moss, Byrl Cinnamon, Dianne Cromwell, Candace Childers, Michael Peacock (via Conference call) and Executive Secretary Margaret Odedo.

The meeting was called to order by President Byrl Cinnamon at 9:00 a.m.

Reading of Minutes: Brent moved that the reading of the minutes from the Board meeting held April 13, 2002, be accepted. Mike seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Board members reviewed the financial statement for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2002. Byrl reviewed expenditures to date and explained that costs such as legal, auditing, government overhead, administrative rule expenses and other general services are areas that the Board does not have much control over. Margaret Odedo explained accompanying financial spreadsheets furnished by the State Controllers Office. New fiscal year position control has been set at \$10,427.49. Mike moved that the financial report be accepted as given. Brent seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Reading of Communications: The Board reviewed a letter asking that the Board reconsider its rule requiring the RPR to have been passed within two years in order to grant our CSR License. It was decided that this being the only request like this, we would wait to see if the feeling was more widespread.

Byrl; reviewed an unlicensed practice allegations letter, pointing out the complaint was about electronic recording of depositions instead of using live reporters. Byrl also explained that the Board had contacted Kay Manweiler at the Attorney General's office to research this. It was noted that Statute 54-3102(a) should be looked at regarding the wording "Shorthand reporting." Mike suggested that the wording should include "contemporaneous" with event. Mike moved that the Board form itself into a committee to review all statutes and begin drafts of language clarification and then submit to Kay Manweiler to meet the governor's timelines for legislative review. Brent stated that the Supreme Court should be involved. Diane Cromwell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business: HB 216 was reviewed by the Board and noted that it has been successfully amended in the 2003 legislative session. Diane explained that the bill had started out with a \$200 cap on fees. The committee that wrote the bill did not agree to that cap. They passed the cap at &75. It was passed on to the Senate Judiciary Committee, and the bill passed with the \$75 cap and went to the full Senate, where it was passed. Discussion followed on whether the Board needed to raise the fee to the full amount allowed. Brent asked the attending audience what they thought the appropriate increase should be. It was stated from the audience that &75 would be fair. Mike moved that the renewal would be set at &75. Brent seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business: Byrl Cinnamon reviewed proposed Senate Bill 1126 and the response to this bill by the ICRA and the Board. It was noted that a lobby firm hired by an out of state entity had sponsored this bill. He went on to publicly thank the ICRA and all Board members for support and help in defeating this bill. Jill Duncan stated that the owner of her school was not involved

in the drafting of the bill and that she was thankful to the Board for recognizing that she would not be taking a position in the situation. Diane also stated that the Chairman of the Senate committee stated to the lobbyist that any proposed bills should come with Board approval.

Diane spoke about students asking for testing tapes available for purchase. Board members discussed that this would be a possibility and that the Board would need to set a cost and look at State policies regarding selling such items. Jill Duncan was asked if her students had a preference of CD or tape. She stated that it really did not matter; either would work for them. Mike suggested that the Board work with the ICRA in creating a mock test for students to attend. Brent moved that the newly formed committee proceed as discussed. Candace seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding possible future affiliation with the Bureau of Occupational Licenses (BOC). Byrl asked Executive Secretary, Margaret Odedo, if the Board of Geologists had made any decisions in regards to affiliating their Board with the BOC. Ms. Odedo explained that at this time they were at the "wait and see" point. Byrl further explained to the Board that, if the Certified Shorthand Reporters were to move without the Geologists, that there would not be enough hours of employment available to support staff correctly and meet all of the Certified Shorthand Reporters needs. The Board also agreed on a "wait and see" stance at the present time.

The Board discussed Peggy Sutter's retirement. It was agreed that a \$100 gift certificate would be purchased at Edwards Greenhouse, along with a certificate of recognition of service. Diane and Margaret will handle this arrangement.

Election of officers: Byrl noted that the ICRA had submitted nominations for reporter members to the Board to the Governor's office. Mike moved that all Board officers be retained in their present positions. Brent seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next test has been set for August 23, 2004.
Date for next board meeting to be set for April 2004.

Board opened floor to general audience for further comments. Jill Duncan announced that the Court Reporting Institute has moved. The new address is: 1951 S. Saturn Way, Boise, Idaho. There will be an open house on July 21, 2003. All are invited.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Byrl Cinnamon
Board President