ALBIT Board Meeting Minutes April 29, 2011

The Alabama Licensure Board for Interpreters and Transliterators Regular Board meeting was held at the Board office in Montgomery and called to order at 1:06 p.m. with a quorum present. Present were as follows: Lori Pituk, Chair; Patricia Smartt, Secretary; Belinda Montgomery, Member; Tammy Adams, Member; Lynne Weisman, Member; Florence Vance, Member; and Amy Peterson, Member. Absent were Steve Hamerdinger, Vice Chair; and Janice Hawkins, Member. Also present were Paula "Scout" McCaleb, Executive Director, and Brandy L. Isenhour, Operations Manager (and serving as Recording Secretary); Monet Gaines, Assistant Attorney General; and Dr. Dale Huff, Parliamentarian.

The meeting was advertised in advance on the Secretary of State's web site located at <u>www.sos.alabama.gov</u> in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act. It was also advertised on the Board web site.

- I. The Chair presented the Minutes for review from the Board. There being no objections, the Minutes were adopted.
- II. **Motion 2011-03** Belinda Montgomery nominated Lori Pituk as Chair. The Board accepted Lori Pituk as Chair by acclamation.
- III. **Motion 2011-04** Tammy Adams nominated Belinda Montgomery as Vice Chair. The Board accepted Belinda Montgomery as Vice Chair by acclamation.
- IV. **Motion 2011-05** Belinda Montgomery nominated Patricia Smartt as Secretary. The Board accepted Patricia Smartt as Secretary by acclamation.
- V. **Motion 2011-06** Lynne Weisman made a motion to accept the proposed Rule and Regulation change as follows.
 - 488-X-1-.02 <u>Fees</u>.

(1)	Nonrefundable fees are as follows:	
(a)	Application fee:	\$35.00
(b)	Initial and Renewal fee for Licenses:	\$175.00
(c)	Initial and Renewal fee for Permits:	\$125.00
(d)	Returned check fee:	\$25.00
(e)	Late fee assessed on applications renewa	ls
	postmarked after March 15 th :	\$10.00
(f)	Replacement of License or Permit:	\$7.00
(g)	Upgrading of Educational Permit to	
	Renewable Permit or Permit to License:	
	No charge	
(h)g	Roster fee:	\$35.00
(h)	Change of Information	<u>\$25.00</u>

Belinda Montgomery Seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

VI.Motion 2011-07 - Tammy Adams proposed an amendment to Rule 488-X-1-.02 as follows:(a)Application fee:\$35.00\$50.00

Amy Peterson seconded the motion. The Chair called for a vote from the Board. Florence Vance voted nay; the remaining Board Members voted aye. The motion passed.

- VII. **Motion 2011-08** Lynne Weisman made a motion to accept Elizabeth Mosses' request for exemption. Belinda Montgomery seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- VIII. **Motion 2011-09** Lynne Weisman made a motion to contact the previously denied applicants to notify them to reapply for exemption. The motion was seconded by Tammy Adams. The motion passed unanimously.

IX. <u>Committees were reviewed and appointed as follows:</u>

PR Committee: Lori Pituk, Chair; Steve Hamerdinger; and Florence Vance.

Charge: Increase communication with licensed and permitted Interpreters and Transliterators and consumers of these services with an intent to educate on the processes of ALBIT and public protection.

<u>Testing, Evaluation, Certification and Forms:</u> <u>Steve Hamerdinger, Chair; Lori Pituk, Pat</u> <u>Smartt, Florence Vance</u>

Charge: To respond to requests of additional tests or evaluations to satisfy requirements for permit holders

Continuing Education: Patti Smart, Chair; and Florence Vance

Charge: To approve CEU requests which are outside of CMP (as established by the procedure in the Board Rules and Regulations)

Legislative Committee: Belinda Montgomery, Chair; Tammy Adams, and Amy Peterson.

Charge: To review the ALBIT enabling statute for any needed corrections or updates.

X. There being no further Board business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:12 p.m. and announced that the next scheduled Board meeting would be held on October 28, 2011, at 1:00 p.m. at the Board office in Montgomery.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Pituk, Chair

Belinda Montgomery, Vice-Chair

Paula McCaleb, Executive Director

Brandy L. Isenhour, Operations Manager (Serving as Recording Secretary)