Call to Order by Lezlie at 4:31,

Participants:
Lezlie Pearce-Hopper, President
Amy Glaspey, UM CSD Chair
Emily Stafslien, SLP Member at Large, Region 3 Representative, Honors Committee
Carlee Johnson, U of M Student/SCHWA Rep
Kristy Foss, Audiology Member at Large
Carol Morse, SMAC/STARS
Jessica Reynolds, Political Action Committee
Abigail St. Lawrence, MSHA Lobbyist
Anne Juel, CE administrator
Sharlene Schmidt, Treasurer
Marilyn Thaden, Region 1 Representative
Laurie Grisham, Region 2 Representative
Kathleen DeLapp-Cohn, President Elect

Consent Agenda, approved:
Approval of minutes, September 9, 2018
Addition: October 5, 2018 Vote on SLP & Audiology Assistant Bill:
Jessica Reynolds made the motion to approve final document for Licensure Board Meeting On 10/17/18. Kristy Foss provided a second to the motion. Motion Passed.

Committee Reports: Approved as submitted. Available in Google Docs Folder

- University of MT: Amy Glaspey reported that they have 120 undergrad students, 65 Graduate students and a full on-line leveling program. SLP and Audiology programs have been proposed and has passed through sub-committee and head to the Board Of Regents
- The program itself includes a 10-course sequence of CSD prep courses and 3 seminar courses. UM CSD has also applied for a fully-online Bachelor's Degree Program.
- The U now has a CSD Doctoral program
- Ashley Meaux is a new faculty member who is also presenting this weekend
- Department of Speech-Language and Hearing Sciences
- Julie Wolter just got a 4.5 million dollar NIH grant and got a perfect score on her communication.
Treasurer's Report: Lezlie applied for an ASHA grant for $10,000 and was awarded $1,100. The money was earmarked for research for the SLP Assistant program, to travel the state and get input from across the state. The postcards for the survey were also sent using that money.

- Treasurer's report is uploaded in Google Docs.
- Sharlene reported that it looks like we spend more money than intended, but $2600 was to start Edward Jones Account
- New Audiology supplies Donation is from Janice Hayes-Strong's church group
- Grant from OPI
- Money from Website is also starting to come in
- Shar shared Edward Jones Investment information
- Budget: Proposed is in Google Docs, will need to be approved by end of year
- Carly Johnson reported that the students got nearly $900 from ASUM for travel and lodging

**Kristy Foss moved to approve the report, Jessica Seconded. Motion passed.**

Abigail St. Lawrence: Legislative report

- Things are moving forward with the SLP and Audiology Assistant bill
- Draft position paper will be uploaded to Google Docs
- Abigail will be making meetings with school board meetings, Disability Rights folks, and Special Education folks to talk about the bill
- Abigail will be creating a watch list of bills to watch as the bills come to fruition over the session
- Lobbyist day Tuesday, February 5th in the Rotunda, 11-2
- This bill will be 4 bills in 4 sessions together.
- Mary Thaden asked about individuals who are currently aides, to see how they will transition. Abigail is working with the current legislature to work through those steps. Licensure Board will have to license every assistant, Aides will no longer be attached to an SLP. All existing aides will have to become licensed
- MSHA Position paper: **Amy moved to approve the position paper. Emily seconded. Motion approved.**
- SLP Assistant Bill: Went to the State Board of SLP/AUD today and unanimous support from board after a few changes to the bill that Abigail will update and re-submit. Lezlie feels that the Governor will support the bill and that Rep. Funk will carry the bill

Strategic Plan: Lezlie: we're doing well. More information later, ran out of time

- Caseload Survey Results: First 100 are in the spreadsheet, have had over 200 returned.
- Giving us a lot of information and a lot more aides being used that we realized, maybe over 150. Some people have over 4 aides.

Membership and Communications:

- Communicator: Discussed elimination of paper copy, we might need to send out updates more frequently
● With legislature, information will be coming at us quickly. Abigail said we can add her contributions, as well.
● Conference brochure this year: Paid for by a $600 ad on the back. Looks great!

Website update: Website not ready to roll out yet and some deadlines have been met. Discussion about moving to another platform which has both phone and tablet compatibility.

Abigail St. Lawrence contract:
● Abigail outlined terms of her contract including changes which include a $2000 increase per session and

Kristy moves that we accept the contract and Jessica seconded. Motion passed.

501c3 Foundation:
● Allows for donations to MSHA to be tax deductible.
● Can not be used for lobbying but can be used for education, which could include literature sent to other groups to educate about the bills we are pushing through.
● 6-month process.
● Bill is estimated to be about $1500 dollars, Abigail thinks worst case scenario would be about $5000. Members thought that would not be a problem to get the money back.
● Shar moves to move forward with establishment of a 501c3 Foundation including funds of up to $5000. Jessica seconded. Motion passed.

Officer nominees for 2019:
● Treasurer, Sharlene Schmidt (unless anyone else wants to!)
● Secretary, Shelby Midboe
● SLP Member at Large: Christina Hansen
● Audiology Member at Large: Kristy Foss
● PR/Membership: Open
● President Elect: Emily Statslien
● Next year’s President will be current President Elect, Kathleen DeLapp-Cohn

Regional Rep reports:
● Marilyn Thaden: Difficult to motivate people to become active members
● Laurie Grisham: had good get-togethers in the spring. Tapered off in the summer. Pick a different pub or restaurant to go to every time. Still shocking how many people are not members looking at licensed members.
● Need to get conferences online for members as an added bonus. Will try again in Missoula and feel like we will be more successful.
● Long talk about self-talk

Jessica Reynolds motioned to adjourn, seconded by Emily. Adjourned at 6:30
Next meeting is the first part of December, Lezlie will let us know when. Sunday December 9 at 5:30?