

May Business Meeting  
Oregon Area Access Committee  
Portland Access Committee

### Oregon Area

Barbara's report at the assembly was mainly about having not done anything from the last assembly to this point. It was true that she received 2 emails asking general access questions but no invitations to districts or for workshops. Feeling forlorn and lonesome, she asked her mentor Alene for advice and ideas. Here are those ideas

1. Videotape speakers: using access funds, videotape the interpreter at speaker events and add to the lending library
2. Have a GSR school through the access committee
3. Start a survey or questionnaire for feedback from groups or districts
4. Start volunteer sign up sheets and send out to districts
5. Get people involved in access by having a chair person for each area of access to gather information and write guidelines i.e. for wheelchair access or hospital/homebound access
6. Create Oregon area guidelines for use of interpreters using the international womens AA guidelines

Darlene also gave me some good ideas. She was not a part of the Policy/Admissions committee at the delegates conference but did get some feedback about GSO starting an access committee. Basically the GSO committee did not feel there was enough interest from all over the country to address this as a new committee.

1. Contact and encourage area districts to have access committee chair
2. Draft letter from Oregon area to GSO about access committee needs and desire for GSO committee.

Also, Barbara was approached by the following districts to attend their district meeting or put on a workshop. Thanks you to districts 6 (Eugene) 22(Newberg) and 14 (The Dalles). See you soon

### Portland Access Committee

Barbara has found a difference in the bank statement which says the PAC has \$200 more than she is aware of..not a bad thing but she will check with the bank to see where the math is off.

PAC continues to try to locate just the right meeting to host a weekly interpreted meeting. Trying to find a Thursday 1 hour meeting that can support a one time a month terp and then use funds from other groups or PAC donations to pay the other times.

Chris continues to work with Intergroup and there is now a link on the intergroup schedule that links to the Oregon area schedule of interped meetings.

Chris would like the PAC to print its own schedule of accessed meetings for all access needs using the international symbols. He suggests PAC buy page maker for this purpose. Alene suggests using Excel or to get a copy of page maker from someone else.

Still looking to get more groups involved with a simple monthly donation of \$2.50 to PAC

That's all for now. Thanks for checking out the access part of the Oregon area website and email me if you have any questions. Yours in service,  
Barbara Lane