

To: Board of Directors and Past Presidents  
From: Christina Green, Assistant Administrator of the Interpreters  
Division and Helen Eby, Administrator  
Date: 07/26/21  
Re: Interpreters Division Report

**Leadership Council Members:**

Daniela Obregon, Gabriela Penrod, Milena Calderari Waldron, Rafael Trevino, Paula Irisity, Andreea Boscor, Carol Shaw, Natalia Abarca, Flavia Lima, Yasmin Al Kashef

**General Updates:**

The Blog/Website team published an article on interpreters and their critical role in news reporting. The blog team has a steady supply of articles for the foreseeable future.

The Resources page on our website is being revamped to be more user friendly. We will also be launching an In Memoriam page to honor interpreters who are no longer with us. The Division has done this on a regular basis, and this page will consolidate those efforts.

**Conference preparation:**

We have drafted an article about our distinguished speaker for ATA 62, Robert Joe Lee, to introduce him to our membership.

Interpreter Connections, an online social meeting with our members, was held on May 26. In our May meeting we focused on clients, specifically what worked for acquiring new clients and connecting with existing ones. The meeting took place via Zoom and over 20 members attended. We are writing an article about that experience.

We gathered a list of Leadership Council members attending the conference in person to support all the interpreters' sessions. The ID moderators will facilitate the connection between the remote participants and the in-person participants, so the remote participants can ask questions during the live session. This will allow the speaker to present and deal with questions with less distractions.

We also compiled a list of restaurants located at walking distance from the conference so our members can decide where to have dinner as members of the ID in small groups. This supports the local efforts for Covid precautions and helps us involve more members who would like to volunteer to host a table for six people. We will submit the details on this project in the near future.

**Other news:**

The ID LC was asked to submit a list of speakers on Interpreting Business Practices to the Professional Development team (PD) for future webinars. The ID team submitted those names after the PD had already selected speakers. The PD will contact the speakers we recommended for a second Interpreters Business Practices series in 2022. We look forward to continued partnership with the PD.

The ID would like to know how to cosponsor webinars at the same level the Spanish Division cosponsors them with the PD committee. The SPD regularly advertises jointly sponsored webinars, and we would like to know how to do that as well. We look forward to being a strong support for the ATA webinar efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Green and Helen Eby