

LOUISIANA ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF

Board of Directors' Meeting

Minutes

January 7, 1984

President Medford Magill called the Second Board Meeting to order at 9:25 a.m. in Room 240 at the Prince Murat Inn, Baton Rouge, La. Present: Medford Magill, Max Ray, Joe Benedetto, Joe Sarpy, Delvin Fontenot, and Mary Woods. James Henderson (Shreveport) arrived later. Absent: Joe Broussard. Visitors: Richard Maolcolm, Connie Greenlee, Sandra Kimball, Martin Bienvenu, Pauline Wood, Houston Moss, Harvey Gremillion, Robert and Maxine Sheffield, David Oglethorpe, Eugene Pippins, Mrs. James Henderson, and Dr. Harvey Jay Corson.

Minutes of October 1, 1983 Board of Directors' Meeting was accepted as corrected.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

He hopes that the second Board of Directors' Meeting date and place has our approval. He is continuing a tradition begun by former President Mowad. The rental of the room today and the coffee and sweet rolls was \$50.00. A lot cheaper than reimbursing board members to travel elsewhere in Louisiana.

We all agreed that our meetings should be rotated from city to city so that members and other deaf people should have a chance to watch the board in action. The President feels our meetings in other cities should be at some organization's place by invitation. So far no invitation to meet at another organization's place has been cordially received.

Today, January 7th, was the only date available in January. Another meeting must be scheduled before the LAD Convention to be held June 29-30 and hosted by BRAD.

Often I find immediate cash is needed, especially for postage and other small expenses. Our Secretary, Mary, checks our P.O. Box regularly and often finds postage due slips in the box, mostly for 25¢ per returned Bayou State Bulletin. None of us should be penalized waiting to be reimbursed. I am requesting that our Treasurer established a \$100.00 Petty Cash Fund.

New supply of LAD letterheads and envelopes are ready for your use.

Received a letter from LRID President, Rev. Gerald Howell, wishing for a closer relationship between LAD and LRID. He asked us to consider the possibilities of having our Board Meeting on the same day as LRID's. We could have some sort of barnstorming session, the separate to hold our board meetings. See xeroxed copy of his letter handed out.

NAD Region III is scheduled to be held in Austin, Tx. February 24-26, 1984. Who will represent LAD there?

An important issue facing board members is the Miss LAD Pageant. Presently, the By-Laws do not make it clear on who, besides Miss LAD, will receive all-expense paid trip to the coming NAD Convention. Now we have a Director, a Queen, and a chaperone. At this meeting, I hope members will clear this up. There is still time to solicit

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donations to defray the expenses which may be incurred in sending Miss LAD and her assistants to the NAD Convention in Baltimore. The Pageant committee should begin a fund-raising now. As of today, I still do not know what is the financial report from the recent Miss LAD Pageant. Maybe '83 Convention Chairman Delvin Fontenot or Treasurer Max can answer this.

LAD Income Tax Exemption. President Magill wrote a letter to NAD Executive Director Al Pimental inquiring on the proper method to file the tax exemption form for LAD. He received answer yesterday and it detailed the simple steps to take in filing the form. The President assumes we will have to start all over with the filing procedures and, maybe, have to contact a lawyer to help us. Maybe Max can say something about this and tell us what has happened since the last filing.

Homicide is Justifiable. At the last Board of Directors' Meeting, we were requested to contact the Louisiana Commission for the Deaf to check and clarify that bill for the safety of the deaf community! At the last LCD meeting, a report on the bill and a copy of the bill was passed out to members. President Magill assumes the Bayou State Bulletin editor will insert the bill, along with a brief explanation, in the Bulletin.

As LAD President, he has attended two LCD Meetings - October 12th in Baton Rouge and December 8-9th in New Orleans. LCD will have its own newsletter, "Message from LCD."

The financial report of the 1983 LAD Convention has been turned in. (See Appendix A)

The Chairman of any Committee will be held responsible for informing his/her committee members on when and where to meet. The Law scheduled a meeting for December 10th. Due to unforeseenable circumstances, the meeting was cancelled. Committee member Joe Sarpy showed up. Should Joe be reimbursed for his trip expenses?

The LRID Board Meeting will be held in Alexandria on January 21st. Who will be our representative and how shall his/her expenses be determined?

Law Process Workshop Report. David Myers is not present, therefore, no report is available on arrangements for the workshop. Understand it has been tentatively planned for March 23-24, but President Magill is concerned about it being postponed again, thus, making it impossible for Dr. Corbett to come.

The NAD Financial Committee will be in Baton Rouge February 10-11, 1984. Dr. Corson, NAD Vice President and Chairman of the Financial Committee, would like for us to take the Committee out for a nice dinner Saturday evening. Perhaps BRAD could arrange some nice event Saturday evening for the visitors, too.

President Magill announced the appointment of Rose Barbin to share some of the duties of the Heritage TCC man. She will function as Circulation Manager. Currently, have 698 people listed on computer sheet- half LAD members and other half are State Association Presidents, professionals, and LRID members.

Dr. Corson was appointed by Governor Treen to serve on the Deaf-Blind Coordination and Implementation Consortium last November 2d.

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Sometimes after the first Board Meeting, we received a concept paper for discussion entitled "Total Communication: Multi-Modal Educational and Communication Approach." Prepared by Dr. Corson, Superintendent, it is a statement of philosophy for the Louisiana School for the Deaf. If the Board is in agreement with the concepts stated within the paper, we should have a letter written to him stating LAD's support of the philosophy as documented on the paper.

Members voted through the mail to buy a full page advertisement in the Boys' Mason-Dixon Tournament program book. Harrell Loup, Chairman of the Trophy Committee, is asking that LAD purchase the 1st Place trophy. The trophy costs \$125.00.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

The Vice President's report was omitted from the Bayou State Bulletin. Asked that the minutes be printed as a whole in the future issues. Also, asked that the editor be asked to include the omitted report in the next issue of the Bulletin.

Regretted the failure to contact Joe Sarpy to inform him of the cancelled meeting. Agreed with President Magill that Joe should be reimbursed for expenses incurred.

The Law Committee was supposed to meet following the Board Meeting. Joe Broussard, who is responsible for drafting revisions to the By-Laws, is not present to report. The meeting will be re-scheduled.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Have all letters and communications in notebook. Members welcomed to look at notebook.

Have two full boxes of calendars. Take some and distribute them to the deaf/hearing impaired in your community.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

As of December 12th, profit from the 1983 LAD Convention Committee, \$1956.87.

Had one NSF check. An LAD member was reimbursed for cancellation of convention fee due to unforeseenable circumstances. LAD sent him a check for the amount reimbursed. He cashed LAD check, but his personal check bounced. What action should be taken?

The Miss LAD Pageant's expenditures was approximately \$3,000.00.

As of January 7th, Treasury has following balances:

Checking Account:	\$ 4,438.78
Savings Account:	<u>28,230.53</u>
	\$32,669.31

JOE SARPY'S REPORT: Re: On an incident denying the rights of receiving an interpreter and use of a hearing aid when arrested.

As LAD representative to the meetings between the New Orleans Police Department

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and the deaf community, Joe reported on the December meeting between the two groups. Still working to improve relationship and to open avenues of communications between the hearing impaired and the police department.

President Magill emphasized that this was a vital cause to take up action to protect the rights of the hearing impaired within the State. Further awareness of the rights of the hearing impaired must be shared with the law enforcement officers on a state-wide basis.

HOMEcoming COMMITTEE REPORT:

Chairman Delvin Fontenot reported a profit of \$163.44 from ICDA/LAD Homecoming Dance. (See Appendix B).

Delvin also handed in financial report of proceeds from pictures taken at the class reunions held during the 1983 LAD Convention. (See Appendix C).

PAGEANT COMMITTEE REPORT:

Connie Greenlee, Pageant Director, announced she will consider being the 1985 Pageant Director if she can attend the upcoming NAD Convention. The purpose is to gather fresh input for improvement of the state pageant.

Ms. Greenlee introduced Sandra Kimball, Miss LAD, and her chaperone, Mrs. Hazel Wood. She estimated expenditures around \$1,480, excluding air fare for three people.

1984 LAD CONVENTION REPORT:

Richard Malcolm, chairman of the 1984 LAD Convention to be hosted by BRAD, gave his report. Tentative plans are either for the South Holiday Inn or the Brightside campus of the Louisiana School for the Deaf. Waiver of Article VII, Section 4 of the By-Laws will enable the host committee to determine the locale to be used. Fees for the Convention will depend on the site used.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Max Ray (Delvin Fontenot) moved that LAD purchase and present the first place trophy during the Boys' Mason-Dixon Tournament January 26-18, 1984. Passed.

Joe Benedetto (Delvin Fontenot) moved that the Law Committee pay Joe Sarpy for his expenses of December 10th. Passed.

Joe Benedetto (Joe Sarpy) moved that the Board instruct the Chairman of the Law Committee to contact the New Orleans Advocate for the Developmentally Disabled to work on a LAD letter to be sent to Police and Judiciary officials across the State of Louisiana regarding the rights of a deaf individual who is arrested and tried in court to interpretive services. Passed.

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Joe Benedetto (Max Ray) moved that the Board instruct the Editor of the Bayou State Bulletin to print the Vice President's report of October 1, 1983 (Homecoming Meeting) in the next issue of the Bayou State Bulletin; he further moved that the Editor be instructed to attach a note stating that the report was previously omitted and is being included with this newsletter. Passed.

Max Ray (Joe Sarpy) moved that we waive Article VII, Section 4 of By-Laws to allow the host to accommodate their program for the 1984 LAD Convention. Passed.

Max Ray (Delvin Fontenot) moved that the LAD Board invite the NAD Financial Committee for dinner Saturday evening, February 11th (excluding travel expenses of board members), and to send a letter to Dr. Corson asking him to contact Max Ray for arranging time and place. Passed.

Max Ray (James Henderson) moved that the Secretary write a letter to Anthony Mowad that we accept his offer to purchase LAD's C-Phone for \$200.00. Passed.

Max Ray (Joe Benedetto) moved that LAD accept the 1984 Convention date, June 29-30 set by BRAD. Passed.

Max Ray (all) moved that the Secretary write a letter to Dr. Corson indicating our full support of the Total Communication concept as set forth in the paper he wrote with copies to the State Department of Education, BESE Board Members, and LCD members. Passed.

James Henderson (Joe Sarpy) moved that LAD accept the Shreveport Club for the Deaf's tentative plans that the 1985 Convention be held the second week-end in June with an alternative date, the fourth week-end in June. Passed.

New Business suspended.

Dr. Harvey Corson took the floor and spoke to those in attendance.

1) He spoke of the NAD Financial Committee which will hold meetings in Baton Rouge February 11-12. The agenda includes dinner with the LAD officers and board members and a visit to the BRAD clubhouse.

2) He spoke of hopes of a full time Executive Director which will serve both LAD and LRID. Office space on the Brightside campus is being planned for use by LAD, LRID, and the PTA. The design of the school's facilities will permit these officers to be accessed on week-ends.

3) Encouraged LAD to meet jointly with LRID and discuss the concept of Executive Director. South Carolina is among those states with Executive Directors of state associations for the deaf.

New Business resumed.

Joe Sarpy (Delvin Fontenot) moved that \$100.00 be used to established a Petty Cash Fund for postage, emergencies, etc. Passed.

Joe Benedetto (Delvin Fontenot) moved that the LAD pay the entry fee of \$50.00 for the Miss Deaf American Pageant of 1984. Passed.

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Joe Benedetto (Joe Sarpy) moved that the LAD provide expenses for the Director, chaperone, and Miss LAD to attend the 1984 Miss Deaf America Pageant, with the understanding that the LAD Pageant committee conduct fund-raising activities to help defray those expenses. Passed.

Max Ray (James Henderson) moved that the President appoint a committee to work with LRID to study possibility of funding a full-time Executive Director. Passed.

James Henderson (Joe Benedetto) moved that a new TTY with paper be purchased for the Secretary's use from the grant. Passed.

Joe Benedetto (Max Ray) moved that the President ask Mr. Bankston in a polite, registered letter for the \$79.00 he owes LAD: further that we inform Mr. Bankston that we will suspend his membership and or take legal action if the amount due is not received within thirty (30) days. Passed.

Joe Benedetto (James Henderson) moved the appointment of Robert Sheffield to investigate equipment available to disseminate news to the deaf community. Passed.

Max Ray (Joe Sarpy) amended motion: that Floyd Pitre and Huey Barbin be members of the committee. Passed.

Delvin Fontenot (Joe Sarpy) moved that the new business be closed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Magill thanked everyone for coming.

Richard Malcolm thanked LAD and Homecoming Chairman, Delvin Fontenot, for the beautiful plaques presented to Gary Edgarson, David Edwards, and other football players after the Homecoming game. He hopes LAD will continue this fine tradition.

Hazel Wood announced that BRAD will have a social during the Boys' Mason-Dixon Tournament Saturday evening, January 28th.

Delvin Fontenot announced that Colesman Oldsmobile is keeping up with times - they now have a TTY in the Body Shop.

Dr. Harvey Corson asked that everyone come to the Boys' Mason-Dixon Tournament.

Mary Woods announced that a letter was received from Representative Henson Moore asking that the hearing impaired write to him of concerns or issues which they feel strongly about.

NEXT MEETING:

Everyone agreed that May 12th would be a good time for the next Board of Directors' Meeting. The Law Committee will meet, too, at this time. Time and place

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will be announced at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m. until May 12th.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary L. Woods

Mary L. Woods
Secretary

LOUISIANA ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF
1983 Convention
July 7, 8, 9, 1983
Receipts and Refunds

RECEIPTS:

Early Combo. 116 @ \$35.00	\$ 4,060.00
Early Senior Citizen Combo. 24 @ @8.00	672.00
Combo. at Convention 45 @ 40.00	1,800.00
Senior Citizen Combo. at Convention	
5 @ 32.00	160.00
Combo. at Convention 1 @ 37.00	37.00
Combo. at Convention 1 @ 39.00	39.00
Registration 184 @ 5.00	920.00
Registration 1 @ 2.00	2.00
Re-Registration 5 @ 2.00 (lost badges)	10.00
Membership Dues 158 @ 6.00	948.00
Membership Dues 5 @ 3.00	15.00
Reception 16 @ 5.00	80.00
Program Books 48 @ 3.00	144.00
Pageant 49 @ 10.00	490.00
Banquet & Dance 40 @ 20.00	800.00
Dance 44 @ 10.00	440.00
Committee Members:	
Membership Dues 38 @ 6.00	228.00
Membership Dues 1 @ 3.00	3.00
Combo. 1 @ 32.00	32.00
Pageant 37 @ 5.00	185.00
Banquet & Dance 34 @ 15.00	510.00
Pageant 1 @ 10.00	10.00

REFUNDS:

Overpayment/Combo. 1 @ \$4.00	4.00
Overpayment/Combo. 6 @ 5.00 + 1 @ 5.00	35.00
Overpayment/#19 1 @ 20.00	20.00
Overpayment/Committee Combo. 1 @ 6.00	6.00
Overpayment/Committee Combo. 3 @ 9.00	27.00
Banquet/Dance 2 @ 20.00	40.00
Banquet/Dance 2 @ 14.00	14.00
Committee/Pageant, Dance, Banquet 5 @ 20.00	100.00
Committee/Combo. 1 @ 29.00	29.00

DONATIONS:

\$15.00
.91

15.00
.91

\$11,600.91

\$275.00

Net: \$11,325.91

Delvin Fontenot, General Chairman

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Appendix B

HOMECOMING DAY
October 1, 1983
Louisiana School for the Deaf

DONATIONS FOR AWARDS:

Receipts:

M.V.P. - Capital City Assn. of the Deaf	\$ 43.62
Best Offensive Player - I.C.D.A., Baton Rouge Chapter #21	60.00
Best Defensive Player - Capital City Assn. of the Deaf	43.62
Best Sportmanship - Individual Player (Louisiana Team) - N.F.S.D., B.R. Div #128	60.00
Best Sportmanship - Individual Player (Texas Team) - Capital City Assn. of the Deaf	43.62
Tug-O-War - Capital City Assn. of the Deaf	43.62

Expenses:

Seven (7) Plaques
Postage

\$202.37
3.18

AD DANCE

Receipts:

16 couples @ 10.00	160.00
7 singles @ 7.00	70.00

Expenses:

Postage	
6 gifts ($\frac{1}{2}$ of \$125.21)	9.64
Hall Rental Fee ($\frac{1}{2}$ of \$100.00)	62.60
Rental Fee/Music ($\frac{1}{2}$ of \$65.00)	50.00
Money Order Fee	32.50

	.75
\$524.48	\$361.04

: \$163.44

Delvin Fontenot
Chairman
October 11, 1983

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Appendix C

LOUISIANA ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF
1983 Convention
PICTURE TAKING

RECEIPTS:

July 9, 1983	\$1,021.00
August 7, 1983	430.00
October 1, 1983	227.00

EXPENSES:

July 9, 1983	\$ 759.00
August 7, 1983	313.00
October 1, 1983	157.00
	<u>1,229.00</u>
	\$1,678.00

NET: \$449.00

Delvin Fontenot
General Chairman

REPORTING OF INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR 1985
LOUISIANA ASSN OF THE DEAF

ADVERTISING SALES (COLLECTED).....		60,636.00
BENEFITS TO ORGANIZATION		
CASH GUARANTEE.....	3,500.00	
DONATIONS.....	75.00	
PRINTED PROGRAMS.....	5,249.32	
PRINTING SERVICES (TCC OR SPECIAL JOBS).....	4,063.72	
PUBLIC RELATIONS CAMPAIGN (1/3 CAMPAIGN EXPENSE)	11,650.72	
TOTAL BENEFITS TO ORGANIZATION.....		24,538.76
PUBLIC RELATIONS AND ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN EXPENSES:		
SALARIES (COMMISSIONS).....	11,733.07	
SALARIES (OFFICE).....	4,000.00	
SALES MANAGEMENT.....	1,503.77	
COLLECTIONS.....	1,819.08	
TELEPHONES (WATS USAGE).....	11,250.00	
TELEPHONES (OFFICE AND MONITORING EQUIPMENT).....	575.00	
SALES INCENTIVES	181.91	
CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING.....	97.02	
TELEPHONE BOOK PREPARATION.....	442.64	
SALES PROCESSING AND VERIFYING.....	1,734.19	
RESEARCH AND CONTRACTS.....	1,618.98	
DELIVERY.....	.00	
TOTAL PUBLIC RELATIONS/AD CAMPAIGN EXPENSES.....		34,955.66
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES:		
PAYROLL TAXES.....	1,896.05	
RENT.....	1,000.00	
BUILDING MAINTENANCE.....	103.08	
OVERHEAD ALLOCATION.....	1,819.08	
ACCOUNTING.....	812.52	
SUPPLIES.....	187.97	
DATA PROCESSING.....	1,212.72	
HOSPITAL INSURANCE.....	38.00	
POSTAGE.....	836.78	
TOTAL GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.....		7,906.20
TOTAL BENEFITS TO ORGANIZATION.....		24,538.76
AD CAMPAIGN EXPENSES (2/3 OF TOTAL CAMPAIGN EXPENSE).....		23,301.44
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.....		7,906.20
NET SALES RETAINED BY HERITAGE.....		4,889.60

YOUR CAMPAIGN WAS CONDUCTED UTILIZING THE FOLLOWING RESOURCES OF THE HERITAGE COMPANIES AND RESULTED IN THE ACTIVITY SHOWN BELOW:

PUBLIC RELATIONS / SALES OFFICES.....	3
PUBLIC RELATIONS / SALES REPRESENTATIVES.....	20
MANAGERS.....	4
NUMBER OF WEEKS.....	10
TOTAL NUMBER OF CALLS.....	0
TOTAL NUMBER OF ADS.....	085

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