

**MINUTES
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
LOUISIANA ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF**

Holidome
Lafayette, LA
March 4, 1989

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Benedetto called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

II. PRAYER

President Benedetto led the Board in prayer for Peace and Harmony in the LAD.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BRAD Representative Richard Malcolm signed the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. ROLL CALL

Present: President Joe Benedetto, Vice President Medford Magill, Recording Secretary Leo Burke, BRAD Representative Richard Malcolm, LAAD Representative Kevin Smith, AAD Representative Mary Ann Mowad, Middle Board Member Jack Falcon. Absent: Corresponding Secretary Mary Smith (participating in a bowling tournament), Senior Board Member Ed Wood (attending a wrestling tournament), Junior Board Member Wayne Bennett (ill), Treasurer Ray Parks (in New Orleans), LRID Representative Shirley Gamber (in Colorado).

President Benedetto excused Board Member Bennett due to illness, but the other Board Members were unexcused.

He announced that the Board failed to meet a quorum and the meeting would be changed to an Executive Committee meeting.

V. REPORTS

President Benedetto: Attachment #1 - The committee accepted his report and deferred the report to New Business as the first item on the agenda.

Vice President ^{Medford} Magill: He explained about collecting information on different brands of copying machines; the future Miss Deaf Louisiana pageant and admitted he didn't know the procedures due to lack of information from the previous Vice President.

Recording Secretary Burke: Attachment #2 - The committee

accepted minutes of January meeting and deferred it to the next Board meeting for its approval.

Corresponding Secretary Smith: No report.

Treasurer Ray Parks: No report.

LAAD Representative Smith: Convention prices will be:

Registration	\$ 3.00
Program Book	3.00
Buffet	16.00
Workshop	<u>free</u>
	\$22.00
Combo, Member	\$22.00
Combo, Member	\$34.00
Senior Citizen	\$17.00

Those registering on Saturday only can have a \$5.00 reduction on prices.

This year LAAD will have the right to determine minimum age for Senior Citizens.

Vice President Magill (Leo Burke) moved to accept the LAAD convention (July 21-22, 1989) prices.

Middle Board Member Jack Falcon - No report.

Brad Representative Richard Malcolm - He thanked LAD for retiring their debt. He asked President Benedetto if he had gotten his letter from BRAD. The President said that he had referred it to Corresponding Secretary for distribution.

AAD Representative - She announced AAD welcomed the LAD to have a meeting in Alexandria on May 6th, 1989. She will handle the arrangements and the location will be announced at a later time.

Decoder Committee Chairperson Elise Burke - Leo Burke spoke for Elise Burke who was unable to come. He said several decoders were already distributed. More will be distributed after the application form and a criteria form are approved by the Board of Directors.

Leo Burke (Medford Magill) moved to purchase two TDDs for the Home Office. The motion was deferred til the next Board meeting.

Bingo Committee Chairperson Leo Burke - He said money is rolling in fast. He promised to give the Board a Bingo financial report at the next Board meeting. He also said he will try to set up a suitable date for the meeting with our lawyers and our CPA.

Advocacy Committee - No report from Wayne Bennett/Dan Burch.

PAN Committee - No report from Wayne Bennett.

Workshop Committee - No report from Shirley Gamber.

Deaf-Blind Committee - No report from Shirley Gamber.

Sign Language Committee - No report from Dan Burch.

Ways and Means Committee - No report from Ray Parks.

Law Committee - Medford Magill said the Pageant is suspended and in the red <\$200.00>.

Auditing Committee - Medford Magill said Wayne Bennett and he will go to the meeting with our lawyer CPA, Ray Parks and Leo Burke.

Computer Committee - Leo Burke pointed out we should have insurance to cover equipment in Home Office.

Membership - President Benedetto said Membership Chairlady Rose Barbin said that LAD roster of members is closed to 400 members.

Jr. LAD - No report from Mrs. Pat Scofield, Advisor.

Public Relation - vacant

H. Soland Fund - No report from Ray Parks.

Mrs. Mary Ann Mowad asked President Benedetto why LSD didn't take any action on a plaque that the LAD and AAD contributed \$1000.00 each to. President Benedetto said he will write a letter to Dr. Corson inquiring about the status of the fund and the plaque.

President Benedetto announced a recess for lunch.

The meeting resumed at 2:20 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Community Chest - deferred to the next Board meeting

Medford Magill (Leo Burke) moved to defer the action on per diem policy to the Board meeting. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Medford magill moved to defer action on Arts Festival to the next Board meeting. Carried.

Leo Burke (Medford Magill) moved to defer action on Legislation to the next meeting. Carried.

Without objection the Executive Committee accepted the President's appointment of Randy Pippins as the chairman of the LRE protest program.

Leo Burke (Medford Magill) moved to install a booth with LSD at the Education Expo at Centroplex. The fee is \$475.00. Carried.

Medford Magill (Leo Burke) moved to defer the request to pay transportation to and from Gallaudet by Dr. Seth Ocloo at the next Board meeting. Carried.

Leo Burke asked that dues be increased and have this item be considered at the next Board meeting. Carried.

GOOD OF ORDER

President Benedetto thanked Mike Baudoin for arranging the with the Lafayette Holidome in preparation for our meeting.

He thanked members for a smooth, co-operative meeting.

Medford Magill explained some deaf people will get free TDDs if there is a telephone connection or a deposit in the account. He remind us to be sure they don't confuse TDDs and Decoders.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LRID-A will have a sign language workshop from 9-12 a.m. on April 1st.

A reception for NAD Financial Committee will be held at Dr. Corson's home tonight and the board of LAD is invited.

President Benedetto announced May 6th will be the next LAD board meeting and will be held at Alexandria. Details will be given when we hear from AAD.

The president adjourned the meeting at 3:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Leo Burke, Recording Secretary

Recorded by Jack Falcon

APPROVED: _____