

LOUISIANA ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC
LAD Board Meeting
29 October 2005

President Randy Pippins, Sr was called the meeting at 9:25 am at L.A.D. (Louisiana Association of the Deaf) home office. The Agenda was approved and Houston Moss approved the minutes with the correction on LAD Conference 2005. (Richard Malcolm) Passed. The correction was from Deaf and Blind to Deaf-Blind.

Bruce Dunn approved the minutes with corrections on July30, 2005. (Dan Arable) The corrections on Page 3 were LRID Representative reports to omit all paragraphs except the last paragraph and the word after deaf people is and work together. The correction on page 3 is on Pageant Director Section and her first name of pageant is Christina and omits the words - or Christy. Sentence on page 4 began with amend - omit to underline. The correction page 6 added the word after Retirement Fund is Home for the Deaf.

Bruce Dunn approved the minutes with corrections on September 27, 2005. (Pauline Wood) The corrections on page 2 are beginning with sentence on the special account for LAD Relief/Disaster Fund for Hurricane Katrina victims and the last sentence had omitted. Next correction at the same page is Kathy Stewart, Executive Secretary of LAD and omits the word Office.

Roll Call

President Randy Pippins, Sr
Vice President Richard Malcolm
Secretary Thelma Covello
Treasurer Kenny Davis
Members-at-large

Tommy Patterson, Houston Moss, Pauline Wood

Chapters Representative

Alexandria-Roland Brossett
Baton Rouge-Arthur Patterson
Lafayette-Bruce Dunn
LRID-Ann Moore
DWBR-Patti Moss
LADBC Dan Arable

Pageant Director-Connie Tullos-ABSENT (Medical reason)

Visitors: Ethel Brossett, Arnold Arable (SSP)

President's Report

- *Katrina Disaster Relief
- *NAD Region 3
- * NAD Relocated to Palm Springs, California, New Orleans in 2008
- * Pauline Wood was LAD Representative to NAD Region 3
- *Quarterly Meeting every 3 months
- *Katrina Relief-Dawn Mendoza and Kathy Stewart had been assisted.
We also had a meeting every Monday.
- *Shreveport people are interested involving with LAD.
- *Golf every year in October until further notice
- *Bruce Dunn is a new chapter representative from LAAD
- *Try to come early (8:30 to 8:45 am) to start a meeting at 9 am

Vice-President's Report

- *Try to help each other and keep track
- *Membership drives
Mail membership forms
- *Go to quarterly meeting with the club events at the same time to
Involve with them
- *LAD Disaster Fund Chair
Work on procedures/guidelines
Will contact Fred Roy/Fema

Secretary's Report

- *Collect notes from all officers and board members after any
reports/notes are announced

Treasurer's Report

- *Disaster/Relief Funds-\$7,285.00
- *TDI donated \$1,386.00, TV, D-Link
- *Hamilton donated \$2,000.00 -Expenses for NAD GALA
Representative and NAD Region 3 Representative
- *Will hook up VP but Cox said that they have to wait due to
Bell South Contracts.
- *No action on Ways and Means Committees after the referred motions
are issued.
- *Letter from Lawyer-Charles Foti, Jr

NAD GALA Representative Reports-Kenny Davis

- *NAD GALA at Baltimore, MD on September 15-17, 2005
- *State Association National Agency - 35 out of 50 attended
- *Should send President/Vice President
- *State Agency updates and many issues
- *Discussion on membership recruit and Retention strategies
 - National > States > Locals
 - No reward/kits/promotions
- *Successful Coalition
 - Welcome Blacks, Cued, Blind, Deaf, and Foreigners
 - Must face the facts
- *Decline the Deaf Clubs; Need to build coalition
- *Leadership, Mentoring & Succession for State Association Elective Officers
 - Need to updates
- *2 interesting facts
 1. Passion-motivation/Not passion-stay out
 2. Nepotism to avoid the system (very common)
 - Must avoid it and make the organization harder
- *Brought NAD Gala program book, notebook, NAD membership brochure and we can use cash, money order, check, or credit card

NAD Region 3 Representative-Pauline Wood

- *NAD Region 3 mini-conference in Orlando, Florida
- *Website-they are still working on it
- *2006 NAD Convention-Palm Beach-needs to send 2 representatives.
- *2008 NAD Convention-New Orleans
- *Membership downsize and Nepotism issues
- *6 motions go to NAD Convention
 - +Outreach-Grassroots to ASL
 - +Structure
 - +Advocacy-Red Cross, idiots, ignorant
 - +NAD-removed Sanction the Regions 1,2,3,and 4
 - + Revenue-increase from \$100 to \$250
- *NAD Region 3 mini-conference will go to Oklahoma in 2007
- *NAD Region 3 mini-conference will go to Louisiana in 2009
- *New mission-stay with the old mission/we don't need any new ones
- *Brought NAD Region 3 notebook
- *Any new motion to NAD has to be turn-in before January 31,2006.

Board Members' Reports**Tommie Patterson**

- *Gave reports on Metro 21 to local and would like to add closed captioned.

Pauline Wood

- *DSA Convention
 - Collected monies for Hurricane Katrina victims
- *DWU Convention chair
- *TDI-D-Link HOVRS
- *Hamilton Donations split into half to NAD GALA and NAD Region 3 Representatives
- *LAD 100 Years Anniversary
- *LCD Fred Roy
 - Hired three displaced state workers from New Orleans area
 - Experiences on LRS but they don't know about the deaf.

- *Laptop

- *Copier

Houston Moss

- *School Board -we need to get some actions (April 16, 2005)
- *Working with letter to Dr. Picard here at LAD home office with a quick action
(No actions)

Chapter Representative's Reports**Alexandria-Roland Brossett**

- *50th year Anniversary AAD in November 2006
 - +Will make a flyer later

Baton Rouge-Arthur Patterson

- *Did not make the guidelines for Youth fund due to Hurricane Katrina

Lafayette-Bruce Dunn

- *LAAD bid 2007 on LAD Convention for one day instead of two days since they will have no pageants.
 - + I will be the chairperson
- *LAAD donated \$1,000 a check to LAD Disaster/Relief Fund on
 - + Hurricane Rita

LADBC-Dan Arable

- *More recruiting on membership
- *LAD positive ways
- *Deaf Senior Citizens Home
 - + 1.2 million
 - + Willow St
 - + Problem with insurance

- *Grants

1. must have \$30,000
2. City Bus Route
3. Disability Access

- *Key is the corporate

*LADBC 25th anniversary banquet postponed to December 17th

*Better structures with LAD

+Deaf-Blind

+Black

+Deaf

*Enjoyed with SSP interpreter at LAD Conference.

+Thank you to Patti Moss/Dawn Mendoza for SSP interpreters

DWBR-Patti Moss

*DWBR meeting will be held at Katherine Corbett's house on November 13, 2005

*DWU Conference in New Orleans on June 2007

*Garage Sale at Katherine Corbett's house will be announced later

*Elections

+ All elected except two open positions

1. Vice president position

2. DWBR representative

LRID Representative to LAD-Ann Moore

*State Conference being cancelled due to Hurricane Katrina

* Will have State Conference in Spring Convention

+Will announce later

Pageant Director-Connie Tullos

*Connie is absent and Pauline Wood is taking her place.

*Must send three people to NAD Convention for Miss Louisiana Pageant

+Connie Tullos, Christina Pullen, and Chaperon

+Must deposit to NAD before the deadline comes

1. Borrow, Beg, Steal from Youth Fund

*Kenny Davis said he already bought three NAD combo tickets

*Maybe we should take some monies from Youth Fund to cover Expenses.

Bingo-Richard Malcolm

Get 4 people to assist the bingo.

NO OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Houston Moss motioned to find the company to print the By-Laws after reviewing it. (Bruce Dunn) PASSED.

2. Bruce Dunn motioned that LAAD wanted to be a host bidder in Lafayette. (Arthur Patterson) Referred to Executive Board.

3. Pauline Wood moved to have NAD Region 3 in 2009. (Tommie Patterson) Passed

4. Richard Malcolm motioned to write a letter about screening on LSD Superintendent to Mr. Cline with a registered letter and send cc to Dr Picard. (Pauline Wood) Passed.

5. Bruce Dunn motioned to have a membership drive survey to anyone and deaf community. (Tommie Patterson) Passed. President Pippins asked Bruce Dunn to be a membership coordinator and Bruce want to consider first before he accepts the position.

6. Pauline Wood motioned to send 2 representatives to NAD. (Bruce Dunn) Passed.

Dan Arabie amended to follow the ranks according to by-laws. (Tommie Patterson) Passed.

7. Pauline Wood motioned to send three Person-Miss Louisiana Deaf pageant, chaperon, and Pageant Director to NAD-California. (Richard Malcolm) Passed.

Announcement

Richard Malcolm visited with Mr. Cline for screening.

LSD need improvements-Mr. Cline knew it.

Must get action quickly.

President Randy Pippins picked AAD for the next meeting in January 2006 and following next to LADBC.

The next meeting will be held at A.A.D. (Alexandria Association of the Deaf, Inc) on January 21, 2006 as a tentative date.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Written/recorded by
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L.A.D. Secretary