

**L.A.D. Board Meeting
November 17, 2007
L.A.D. Office, Baton Rouge**

President Randy Pippins called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Roll Call: Officers

Randy Pippins, President; Pauline Wood, Secretary; Kenny Davis, Treasurer; Bobbie LeFors, Tommie Patterson, Cleve Cormier, Members-at-Large.

Representatives: Donna Cormier of Lafayette, Judith Perrodin of LADBC, Ed Wood of Baton Rouge and Connie Tullos, Pageant Director and DWBR.

Absentees: Houston Moss, Vice President; Shirley Delahoussaye, LRID; and Roland Brossett, Alexandria

Minutes of Aug. 25 meeting was accepted as read without corrections.

Minutes of the conference last June was also accepted.

Officers' Reports:

President Randy Pippins:

***Received a letter from LAAD approving Donna Cormier as the new representative to LAD.**

***We must meet on Dec. 8 to plan for NAD conference this summer.**

***Felt that the annual donation of \$500 to LADBC is very valuable especially when they used the money for transportation to Arkansas recently.**

***We must get busy planning the 100th LAD anniversary.**

***LSD's morale is very poor and the selection of superintendent has been postponed until next year. We need to meet with Paul Pastorke regarding the hiring of the new superintendent.**

***Got a message from Lissette via pager regarding LAVRS. She wanted to know when we could have a launching for LAVRS.**

***Wanted Lake Charles to send a representative to LAD**

Secretary Pauline Wood:

***Trip to Tulsa, Oklahoma for NAD Region 3 mini-conference last October was good. Meeting was mostly about the conference next summer in New Orleans.**

***For LAD's 100 anniversary, we need to invite NAD president, Bobbie Beth Scoggins and Executive Director Nancy Bloch to our celebration.**

***Contacted Mindy Moore about the movie "Wrong Game" with all deaf cast. We will need a contract from Sprint who is sponsoring the movie.**

***Sam Hawk of Hawk Relay expressed his interest in coming to the next LAD board meeting to talk about a home for the Deaf senior citizens.**

***Already keeping a list of the deceased people for Necrology.**

Treasurer Kenny Davis:

***Reported our financial status**

***461 people attended Super Bingo recently**

***Plan to ask some businesses to sponsor our 100th anniversary**

***Will reserve 15 rooms for us at Marriott for the NAD conference**

*** Will include NAD registration in LAD's newsletters**

*** Golf tournament by Walmart was good but not organized very well. Still waiting to get some fund from Earl Wilson**

***Workshops by FEMA, LAVRS and LAD during LSD homecoming were successful**

***Still need profiles from some of us so Gary Stewart could add them to our website.**

Members-at-Large:

***Bobbie LeFors expressed the need for more LAD members and thanked Kenny for the workshops during LSD homecoming**

***Cleve Cormier would like to see a home for the Deaf senior citizens be built. We need to set up funds for the home. Need to add the information in the LAD brochures.**

We also need to start fund raising project for Miss Deaf Louisiana for the conference next year. Wanted to read the pageant guidelines.

Representatives:

***Connie Tullos = no contact with Fallon Frederick lately.**

Agreed with Cleve Cormier to start fund raising projects by Fallon.

Jr NAD members were unaware of LAD and asked that one of us meet with them and explain to them about LAD.

Youngsters at LSD asked her how to establish a deaf club in Houma.

The jambalaya and bbq chicken sales went well. We will not have Mardi Gras party in 2008. Plan to have it again in 2009.

***Ed Wood = Asked about giving free one year LAD membership to graduating class every year**

New Business

Kenny Davis(Connie Tullos) moved to rent a car or van for the officers and board members if the trip is to be more than 200 miles per round trip. Pauline Wood (Ed Wood) amended that even if it is one person, he or she is to rent a car if the trip is more than 200 miles per round trip. Carried

Pauline Wood (Connie Tullos) moved to invite Bobbie Beth Scoggins and Nancy Bloch to our 100th anniversary at our expense. Carried

Cleve Cormier (Connie Tullos) moved to establish fund for the home for the Deaf senior citizens. Carried

Pauline Wood (Bobbie LeFors) moved that we enforce LAD rally every year during homecoming at LSD.

Cleve Cormier (Donna Cormier) amended that from earnings during the rally, the fund is to go to the home for the Deaf senior citizens.

Ed Wood (Tommie Patterson) amended to split the revenue to LSD and to the home. Carried

Pauline Wood (Bobbie LeFors) moved to set the date for the launching of LAVRS.

Ed Wood (Cleve Cormier) amended that it be on January 12, 2008.

Connie Tullos (Donna Cormier) amended to set Plan B which is January 26. Carried

Announcements

***Mardi Grass Ball in Metairie this February**

***BRAD and LADBC will have Christmas parties on Dec. 15**

***LAAD will have Thanksgiving dinner on Nov. 18 and Christmas on Dec. 16**

***Mike Mack is the new pastor at the Deaf Baptist Church.**

***Dec. 8 meeting attended by the LAD board members and other loyal members**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am.

Pauline Wood, Secretary

