



MINUTES
Louisiana Association of the Deaf, Inc.
Quarterly Board Meeting, April 13, 2019
Deaf Catholic Center
418 Iris Street
Lake Charles, LA

CALL TO ORDER:

President Cindy Robillard called the Quarterly Board Meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Roll Call: President Robillard, Vice President Tarasyuk, Secretary Gore, Treasurer Moss, and Members-at-Large Lacey Richard, and Pauline Wood. Wanda Miller (absent)

Attendances: 15 members, 2 visitors

Pauline Wood led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The board approved the October 20, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes with corrections. (CARRIED)

The board approved the January 18, 2019 Board Meeting Closed Session Minutes with corrections. (CARRIED)

The board approved the January 18, 2019 Board Meeting Session Minutes with corrections. (CARRIED)

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS:

Board members approved President's appointment Pauline Wood as Interim Bingo Chair. (CARRIED)

OFFICERS' REPORTS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Cindy Robillard.

I got an award for Paula Rodriguez and I am asking to get two more awards for another two persons, too. I went to Deaf Education Alliance Summit on February 1-2, 2019. The theme is called The Earlier, the Better. We had several amazing speakers and their speech are awesome. They are C.J. Jones, Dr. Petra Horn Marsh, Dr. M Diane Clark, Lucia Rogerson, Ariel Bumbala, Josh Castille, Paula Rodriguez and others. I want to thank LAD Board to send me to the DEA. I want to share with you the reports that I received from Jay Isch that Jeff Bravin from American School for the Deaf visited to Louisiana School to observation for the Deaf for three days on October 2018. There are

several recommendations that are based upon best practice in the field of Deaf Education.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Alla Tarasyuk.

11/10/18 - Attended Corey Axelrod's workshop for the last hour
1/10/19 - Attended LRID Board Meeting
2/1/19 - 2/2/19 - Attended Deaf Education Alliance Summit
2/13/19 - Attended LRID Board Meeting
2/24/19 - Bylaws Committee Meeting in LAD home office
3/13/19 - LRID Board meeting via FaceTime
3/16/19 - Attended Bizer's workshop in Bluebonnet library
3/31/19 - Bylaws Committee meeting in LAD home office
4/6/19 - Attended LRID Spring Conference and Board Meeting in Slidell HS

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Jimmy Challis Gore

February 1-2, 2019 Attended Deaf Education Alliance Summit
February 25, 2019 Attended LEAD-K meeting at LSD.
March 12-13, 2019 Attended BESE Board meeting at LDOE
March 27, 2019 Attended Special Education Advisory Panel (SEAP) at LSD
March 16, 2019 Attended Bizer's workshop in the Bluebonnet library
April 12, 2019 Attended Louisiana Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Meeting

TREASURER'S REPORT: Houston Moss.

OPERATING FUND:

Membership Dues: \$2,469.50

Donations made:

\$5,000.00 to Deaf Focus for DEA Summit

Donations received:

\$207.00 - Network for Good

\$161.01 - Amazon Smile

\$ 75.00 - In Memory of Floyd Giblin

JR. NAD Funds:

\$3,100.00 as of March 2019

BINGO FUNDS:

4th Quarter report (Oct. - Dec. 2018)

Gross Profit = \$250,091.96

Disbursements = \$272,770.94

Net Income = \$22,678.98

INVESTMENT FUNDS: \$201,250.87 as of March 2019

AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Balances as of: Oct. 2018 - \$385,369.89
Nov. 2018 - \$393,765.85
Dec. 2018 - \$362,227.70
Jan. 2018 - \$382,306.07
Feb. 2018 - \$397,533.36
Mar. 2018 - \$439,924.26

Audited by: Larry Robillard and Kevin O'Donnell

TAXES:

Exempt Org. Business Income taxes paid in the amount of \$21,340.00
Corp. Taxes paid in the amount of \$2,900.00
Employers Federal Taxes paid in the amount of \$5,632.19
Employers State Taxes paid in the amount of \$504.00
LA. Unemployment taxes paid in the amount of \$432.25
TOTAL Taxes PAID: \$30,808.44 as of April 2, 2019

MEMBER-AT-LARGE REPORT: Wanda Miller – no report

MEMBER-AT-LARGE REPORT: Lacey Richard – no report

MEMBER-AT-LARGE REPORT: Pauline Wood – no report

REPORT OF LAD Designate to LCD Commissioner Wood

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

BYLAW COMMITTEE: Alla Tarasyuk, chair.

By-Law Committees: Alla Tarasyuk, By-Law Chair, Houston Moss, Wanda Miller, Kenny David, Shirley Delahoussaye, Fallon Frederick (by law secretary), and Cindy Robillard, LAD President were presented at the meeting from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm on February 24, 2019.

We discussed to add LAD logo and Louisiana Association of the Deaf By-Laws

Add " " on Association or LAD under Article II. Objectives.

We added d/Deaf and DeafBlind on all the wording on the bylaws.

We change the word from LAD Administration Authority to LAD Administrative Authority on under Article X.

Change Quorum (1/4 of showing from registered)

We added The President and the Treasurer of the LAD shall be the only... Under Use of Prepaid Credit/Debit Card on Standing Rules.

Cindy moved to add association instead associate on ARTICLE IX: COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD Section 2 BYLAW COMMITTEE.

We made copies of the bylaws with the proposal forms and mailed out to the LAD Members.

BINGO Chair: Pauline Wood.

Bingo: We had to cancel two sessions because of lack of workers. The dates cancelled are May 31 and June 1. We are doing well especially last March. We made tons of profit. We will not have sessions during the LAD conference.

AUDITING COMMITTEE: Houston Moss, chair. See Treasurer's Report

WAYS and MEANS COMMITTEE: Houston Moss, chair.

Ways and Means report was referred back to Ways and Means Committee.

2019 LAD CONFERENCE COMMITTEE: Cindy Robillard

Talk about captions with CC Group since I have been tried to contact the company from Arkansas, so I gave up and decided to choose the company with CC Group. We will discuss more about the choice of live or remote with the price on the captions for the Conference on Wednesday of April 16. I already pick two interpreters. They are Wendi Coker and Kim Plaxton.

Add one more night for Mark Apodaca since he will stay until Sunday.

We will have awards during the banquet and Fallon Frederick will be our master ceremony during the banquet.

I spoke with Maddie at the Garden Inn Suites about choice the salad and dessert on the menu for the banquet since it showed that we pick two choice of salad and one choice of dessert. They accepted that we offer to have a choice of salad and two choice of desserts.

Speaking about block the rooms at hotel. One of the LAD members called and said the rooms are blocked so I had to call the hotel to add more rooms as they gave me 10 more available rooms.

For the officers, please have your paper ready for the interpreters with your reports during the Conference. It will make the interpreters easy to read and same time to speak for captions.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Jimmy Gore (Alla Tarasyuk) moved that LAD reimburse President Robillard's expense for the award to Paula Rodriguez. Pauline Wood (Lacey Richard) tabled this motion to the next board meeting.

Jimmy Challis Gore (Alla Tarasyuk) moved LAD to donate \$500 to sponsor Jay Isch for National Black Deaf Advocates Conference. Pauline Wood (Houston Moss) amended to reduce to \$450. (CARRIED)

Houston Moss (Pauline Wood) moved LAD to donate \$500 for 4 Deaf Campers to Kidz Camp. (CARRIED)

Pauline Wood (Houston Moss) moved LAD to donate \$100 to 3rd Annual DeafBlind Day. (CARRIED)

Houston Moss (Jimmy Gore) moved LAD to donate \$500 to 2019 Helen Keller DeafBlind Awareness (CARRIED)

Houston Moss (Lacey Richard) moved LAD to donate \$500 to 2019 LSD Foundation. (CARRIED)

Pauline Wood (Lacey Richard) moved LAD to reimbursement Alla Tarasyuk \$200 for DEA. (CARRIED)

GOOD OF ORDER: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 12:14 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jimmy Challis Gore, Secretary