



# Quarterly Board Meeting

Meeting Date: June 20, 2020 ~ Location of Meeting: Zoom live streamed with Officers at home

Call to Order: 9 am

Invocation: Sherry Crosby

Pledge of Allegiance: Jimmy Challis Gore

Roll Call: All officers present via Zoom

## AGENDA

1. **Good of the Order**
2. **Approval of Agenda** Floyd Perrodin (Sherry Crosby) moves to accept.
3. **Reading & Approval of Minutes**
  - 3.1. **3/29/20 Quarterly Meeting** Accepted without revisions
  - 3.2. **6/8/2020 Board Meeting** Accepted without revisions
4. **Officers' Report**
  - 4.1. **President**
  - 4.2. **Vice President** - Shared Necrology information and applauded the Investments Cmte for being proactive while our Bingo sessions were shut down due to COVID-19 pandemic.
  - 4.3. **Secretary** - No Report
  - 4.4. **Treasurer** - Diversified Investment portfolio.
  - 4.5. **Members-at-Large**
    - Jerrod Wingate:** Looks forward to more understanding and working with the Black community.
    - Thelma Covello:** Board will work on clarifying details related to funds with Christmas Toy Drive and correct previous minutes. Referred to the Board for further discussion.
    - Floyd Perrodin:** I would like to update you all from a financial perspective, the outlook on the investment shows substantial growth. We have to stay on top of it to ensure its development for the future of the organization.

## 5. Standing Committees' Report

- 5.1. **Charitable Gaming Committee** - Chair reports that Bingo is back in operations since Sunday, June 14th with strict precautionary measures to ensure a safe space for players. Workers are required to wear masks. Treasurer Bartholomew has been assisting Chair with his duties due to recent back surgery. If COVID-19 spikes up again, Bingo Zone will close if Louisiana goes back to Phase 1 again. Board is concerned about workers volunteering and collecting UI. Jerrod Wingate refers to the Board to determine the legality of this.
- 5.2. **Ways & Means Committee** - As of 6/19/2020: 1.) Youth Fund: \$847.14. 2.) Jr NAD Fund: \$78.53. 3.) Toy Drive Fund: \$147. 4.) Budgets established for the 2021 Conference Budget: \$30,000 and Office Renovations: \$20,000. 5.) Each order of T-shirts is set at \$500 or less. Next meeting is TBA.
- 5.3. **Investments Committee** - See minutes. We have \$39,774.87 in cash ready to invest. We plan to save it in case of COVID-19 but may consider investing one or two more stocks before the presidential election. It would affect the stocks greatly, so we are carefully watching them. The next meeting is on July 7th at 7pm via Zoom.
- 5.4. **Auditing Committee** - The auditing reports for June 2019 - May 2020 are cleared by the Auditing Committee, but QuickBooks is still in the process of being cleaned up. I could make it final, but would need to go back and correct them from time to time in order to be able to read and understand our budgets effectively due to poor transitions between me and our previous Treasurer. The next meeting is TBA.
- 5.5. **Bylaw Committee** - Vice President recently emailed the committee to start preparing for work on Bylaws.
- 5.6. **2021 LAD Conference Committee** - Location pending, delayed due to COVID-19.
- 5.7. **Youth Committee** - No report due to COVID-19.
- 5.8. **Code of Ethics Committee** - Final draft pending approval by Board.
- 5.9. **Social Events Committee** - No report due to COVID-19.
- 5.10. **Website Committee** - Website is being developed and it is scheduled to be completed on July 15th.
- 5.11. **Community Spotlight Committee** - The guideline is being developed. Will finalize it at our next meeting. No reports due to COVID-19. Next meeting is TBA.

Jay Isch (Sherry Crosby) moves to take a 15-minute break at 11:07am

## 6. Unfinished Business

- 6.1. **Internal Audit** - Sherry Crosby (Floyd Perrodin) moves to defer this discussion until after our legal situation comes to a close.  
Board Approves. **(Approved 1/8/2020)**
- 6.2. **Postage Machine Lease** - We need a tax-exempt certification letter.  
Treasurer will follow up. **(6/20/2020)**
- 6.3. **Office Renovations** - Design for landscaping in front and office renovations are being compiled. Board discussed acquiring the blueprint and inspection for permit. **Update:** Jerrod Wingate reports that we need to obtain the original blueprint of the office and a new blueprint before acquiring a building permit.  
**(6/20/2020)**
- 6.4. **LAD Golf Tournament** - Possibly postpone to spring due to COVID-19
- 6.5. **Website development** - Pending draft website designs before finalizing.  
Estimated completion of project, July 15, 2020.
- 6.6. **LAD Promotional Banners** - Pending Committee for mission and vision
- 6.7. **Future workshop** - Vice President suggests having it online, Jay suggests having it both online in a members-designated area of the new website and in person so it is accessible by all members. Board will work towards that goal. **(6/8/2020)**
- 6.8. **Bingo T-shirt & policy** - Vice President still working on coordinating the order.  
**(6/8/2020)**

## 7. New Business

- 7.1. **Sponsorship request from Vanessa Magnon for Leukemia & Lymphoma Society**  
Jay Isch (Jerrod Wingate) moves to sponsor her efforts.  
Board Approves.
- 7.2. **Donation to NBDA**  
Jay Isch (Floyd Perrodin) moves to donate \$1,000.  
Referred to Ways & Means Cmte.
- 7.3. **Relations with NOBDA**  
Jerrod Wingate (Jay Isch) moves to throw a cookout with New Orleans Black Deaf Advocates (NOBDA) Board and discuss relations ASAP.  
Board Approves.
- 7.4. **Sponsorship for LSD graduates** 11 graduates are going for higher education.  
Referred to Ways & Means.
- 7.5. **Letter to Blue Bridge ASL Academy (BBAA)**  
Jerrod Wingate (Thelma Covello) moves to write a congratulatory letter to BBAA for opening a new facility.  
Jay Isch (Floyd Perrodin) amends to write the letter after their open house.  
Board approves with amendment.

## 8. Announcements

8.1. **Next Quarterly Board Meeting:** September 19th - Location: TBA

## 9. Adjournment

**Time Meeting Adjourned: 12:24pm**

**Respectfully Submitted,**



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Jay Isch, *Secretary*