



Quarterly Board Meeting

Meeting Date: **February 19, 2022** ~ Location of Meeting: **Livestream**

Call to Order: **10:04 am**

Invocation: **Sherry Crosby**

Pledge of Allegiance: **Jimmy Challis Gore**

Roll Call: **Jimmy Gore, Sherry Crosby, Norma Zeringue, Katrina Williams, Thelma Covello, Floyd Perrodin, and Nigel Burkhalter. Visitor: Jay Isch, Director of Deaf Focus**

AGENDA

1. **Good of the Order**

2. **Approval of Agenda** Norma Zeringue (Sherry Crosby) moves to accept.

3. **Approval of Minutes**

3.1. **11/13/2021 Quarterly Meeting** Accepted without revisions

3.2. **2/16/2022 Board Meeting** Accepted without revisions

4. **Officers' Report**

4.1. **President** - President reports he met David Myers from Texas, he was LAD President in 1978. Additionally, he explained that LAD will be changing quarterly reports to follow the standard quarters (Jan, Feb, March) instead of overlapping the year. Also, Hansen Touchard came by and spruced up the front of our office with mulch and flowers. We thank him for his service in maintaining our property. We will now be getting services from Grazing Cajun Lawn Service, owned by Jerrod Wingate. We need Family Fun Day volunteers at LSD, please apply! Finally. The audit by OCG is complete and we have to pay a \$500 fine due to lack of receipts. Our finances are in good order now with our bookkeeper.

4.2. **Vice President** - Necrology Report (showed slides) She is happy to see Deaf Focus operating under and at LAD, she thanks Jay Isch for working hard to maintain the office and making it look better for business purposes. Our next Bylaws meeting will be held on Thursday, February 24th, and we are also discussing a possible special meeting to discuss bylaws revisions to save time from the Conference. Lastly, she would like to start the Book Drive again and welcomes members to participate in the committee.

- 4.3. Secretary** - She reports that she received training from Jay Isch, the former Secretary, in her role as Secretary. She also likes how LAD/Deaf Focus is looking now.
- 4.4. Treasurer** - She asks members to email her at KatrinaLAD1908@gmail.com for any questions regarding LAD's finances.

Finances as of 2/18/2022

Operating Fund: \$134,042.58

LSD's Early childhood Learning Center: \$25,000

Toy Drive: \$1,039.40

Available funds: \$108,003.18

Savings Acct: \$31,920.81

Youth Fund: \$4,703.80

Apparel Fund: \$95.00

Book Drive: \$185.00

Office Renovations Fund: \$16,500.00

Emergency Disaster Fund: \$434.67

2023 Conference budget: \$10,000

Interest Gains: \$2.34

Bingo Acct: \$51,056.56

Business Acct: \$27,729.85

Investments: \$245,957.81

TOTAL: \$490,707.61 (-\$8,879.74 since 11/13/2021)

- 4.5. Director of Deaf Focus, Jay Isch** - He reports that the transition was heavily involved from ILEAD to LAD. He put in nearly 300 hours in December overseeing the transition, corresponding constantly with the former Director and the Bookkeeper. Additionally, he reports that despite the significant investments in the transition, Deaf Focus managed to gross nearly \$26,000 in the month of December with a net of nearly \$5,000. Lastly, he states that he enjoys the new role working for LAD. It is a learning experience.

4.6. Members-at-Large

Thelma Covello: Working on Senior Citizens' social events. **(excused after report)**

Floyd Perrodin: Still searching for people to spotlight in our community

Nigel Burkhalter: Working on Youth Committee and shares ideas on how to grow our youth community. He also reports that he learned how to mail postcards using our equipment. He looks forward to more.

5. Standing Committees' Report

- 5.1. **Charitable Gaming Committee** - LAD's audit by OCG has completed. Resulting in a \$500 fine for lack of receipts between years 2017 and 2020.
- 5.2. **Ways & Means Committee** - No report.
- 5.3. **Investments Committee** - Committee will discuss possible investment in Google
- 5.4. **Auditing Committee** - Audit has been completed by OCG. Now, we will need to fix bylaws regarding the auditing committee since it states the Treasurer and 2 Board members should be auditors, however, according to the Parliamentarian, this is not appropriate. This needs to be changed.
- 5.5. **Bylaw Committee** - Vice President reports that committee is still working on PPM
- 5.6. **2023 LAD Conference Committee** - Conference discussions have begun for 2023. Chairperson asks members to give ideas on speakers for our conference. Contact LAD Public Relations at 5lad1908@gmail.com
- 5.7. **Youth Committee** - A new chairperson has been appointed. Nigel Burkhalter will take the helm from Ari Latino. He has 3 members committed to the committee. If you are interested in joining. Nigellad1908@gmail.com - 18-30 years old range.
- 5.8. **Social Events Committee** - No report.
- 5.9. **Website Committee** - 1. There has been a problem with cache in holding memory for updates and pictures. 2. Working on a plan to merge LAD and Deaf Focus websites. 3. Developing possible advertising spaces on LAD website to bring in revenue to cover expenses of website maintenance. **(2/19/2022)**
- 5.10. **Community Spotlight Committee** - Still searching for people to spotlight in our community - FloydLAD1908@gmail.com

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. **Office Renovations** - Pending Contract **(2/19/2022)**
- 6.3. **LAD Golf Tournament** - Tentatively set for Spring of 2023 **(2/19/2022)**
- 6.4. **LAD Priorities** President Gore collected ideas from Board and will determine priorities at the next meeting. **(2/2/2023)**
- 6.5. **NAD conference**
Floyd Perrodin (Thelma Covello) moves to have the entire Board attend the conference.
Deferred until we get more information on costs, etc. **(1/19/2022)**

7. New Business

7.1. None

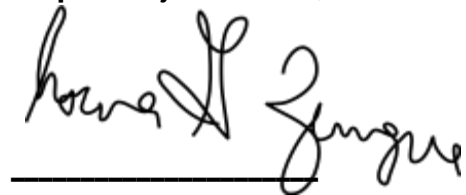
8. Announcements

- 8.1. Next Quarterly Board Meeting will be on April 16, 2022 at 10 am at LAAD in Lafayette, Louisiana
- 8.2. Senior Citizens Committee needs participants. Email ThelmaLAD1908@gmail.com
- 8.3. Toy Drive and Book Drive now accepting donations - Contact the VP at SherryLAD1908@gmail.com
- 8.4. NOBDA Update, Gala Workshop on October 21-22, 2022

9. Adjournment

Time Meeting Adjourned: 11:16 am

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Norma Zeringue', written over a horizontal line.

Norma Zeringue, *Interim Secretary*