

ALASKA DEAF, HARD OF HEARING, AND DEAF BLIND COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2009

Opening:

The Board meeting of the Alaska Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Deaf Blind Council was called to order at 1:25PM on April 19, 2009 in John Thomas Building by Elizabeth Andrews.

Present:

Aaron Striblings
Jennifer Schwebke
Courtney McCabe
Elizabeth Andrews
John Miranda
Ranee Pascall

Guest:

Rudy Kerr
Sharon Miranda
Al Burke

A. Approval of Minutes

March Minutes revisions:

- The Board meeting of the **Alaska Deaf Council** (Alaska Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Deaf Blind Council) was called to order at 1:25PM on **March 8, 2009** (March 15, 2009) in **Red Cross Building** (John Thomas Building) by Elizabeth Andrews.
- The February Community Meeting with Anne Lazenby was successful and now working on Dave Robertson and Linda Suter for **March and April** (April and May) Community Meetings
- The next Community Meeting will be on April 5, 2009 at 1:00 __ (PM).

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

B. Executive Committee Reports

President—Elizabeth Andrews: Great job on stimulus letter, many thanks to Dean for helping with rewriting and revising the letter. In effect, ADHHDBC needs to set up an ADHOC committee to “get the shovel ready” that includes information (square per foot, blueprint, and costs) for building a Deaf Center. On Tuesday, ADHHDBC will have meeting with Lt. Parnell to discuss about Deaf Community’s future (deaf commission, deaf center, education) and plan to invite Lt. Parnell to ADHHDBC statewide meeting in May.

Audience Comments: Debbie Douglass—she might be willing to draft a blueprint for ADHHDBC

Vice-President—Courtney McCabe: Ryan and Jose will not be coming to Board Training on May 3 but Pam will be there.

Treasurer—Randee Pascall: ADHHDBC earned \$812.75 from Spring Fling and will profit approximately \$300 to \$400. Sent a check to SLI of \$715 from last year interpreter fees. Currently working on transferring new officers to bank account but need statewide minutes (October 2008) or resolution to confirm the new officers. Also, will make receipts for Shana Gibbs and Sharon Miranda for their donations.

Secretary—Jennifer Schwebke: The April Community Meeting with Dave Robertson was successful and just confirmed with Linda Suter for May 3, 2009 Community Meeting. Want to remind Courtney McCabe to finalize and to turn in the October 2008 statewide minutes before next statewide meeting (May 2009).

C. Committee Reports

By-Laws Committee—Rudy Kerr: Nothing has changed, the by-laws require minimum of 30 days before anything can be modified when the new changes have been made.

Legislative Committee—Dean Gates (Rudy Kerr): Dean will email the updates.

Fundraising Committee—John Miranda: ADHHDBC had first Spring Fling and approximately 145 people showed up. Would like to get together with the committee to celebrate and begin brainstorming for next one.

Education Committee—Courtney McCabe: Joined with Duane, Mahala, and Michelle Rid on their 'DVD Plan' which contains video clippings of ASSDHH (Alaska State School for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing) classes, events/activities, SLC (Student Living Center), and interview with people who graduated from ASSDHH. Would like ADHHDBC to help in advocacy and funding.

Media Outreach Committee—Aaron Stribling: Recently renew website subscription for \$15. The calendar now is available on website that shows events starting from January 2008 to present. Plan to change calendar format and hope to set up a better system that collect events, activities, information from Deaf Community to upload on the website. Fixed the statewide flyer download problem on website.

Deaf Camp Committee—Randee Pascall: PTSA will donate up to \$1,000 for students to go camps in lower 48. ASSDHH will pay all flight expenses for High School students only. The budget for Youth Camp is approximately \$5,000. In total, the donations from PTSA, Youth Camp Fund, and ADHHDBC should be around \$3,195

Deaf Summit Committee—Jennifer Schwebke: Will start collecting information and get moving with Deaf Summit II.

D. New Business

1. ADHOC
 - a. Courtney McCabe moves that we set up ADHOC Committee to develop Deaf Center. Aaron Stribling second. **Passed**
 - b. Courtney McCabe moves to nominate, discuss and vote for Chairperson of ADHOC Committee for Deaf Center. Jennifer Schwebke second. **Passed.**
 - c. Rande Pascall nominated John Miranda to become ADHOC committee chairperson. Jennifer Schwebke second. **Passed.**
2. Donation
 - a. Rande Pascall moves ADHHDDBC donate \$500 to Jr NAD and \$1,000 to Deaf Youth Camp. Aaron Stribling second. **Passed**
3. Calendar
 - a. Aaron Stribling moves ADHHDDBC to set up a calendar event for the future. John Miranda second. **Failed (4:1).**
 - b. Aaron Stribling moves ADHHDDBC to set up a calendar event for the future, today. John Miranda second. **Passed.**
 - i. May
 1. Community Meeting (May 3) with Linda Suter
 2. RNR & Bear Tooth Softball League (May to August)
 3. Statewide meeting (May 2)
 4. Round Table Pizza (May 13)
 5. WCRD Election Potluck (May 2)
 6. Camp Aurora (May 26 to June 9)
 - ii. June
 1. DCAF Climber Workshop with Miraim
 2. How to Use Interpreter for Deaf? Workshop with Naomi Shenman
 - iii. July
 - iv. August
 - v. September
 1. Deaf Awareness Week (end of September)
 2. Disaster Workshop
 3. Round Table Pizza (third Thursday)
 4. RNR Volleyball league (September to November)
 - vi. October
 1. Statewide meeting
 2. Round Table Pizza (third Thursday)

Announcement:

The next Community Meeting will be on May 3, 2009 at 1:00 PM. Linda Suter will be coming in for open discussion in regarding of interpreter issues.

The Statewide Meeting will occur on May 2, 2009 at BP Energy Center in Cottonwood/Alter conference room, 1:00 PM.

Alaska Relay Advisory Board will occur on May 2, 2009 at BP Energy Center in Cottonwood/Alter conference room, 10:00 AM.

WCRD Election and Potluck will occur on May 2, 2009 at BP Energy Center lounge, 11:30 AM.

AVS Charity Walk will occur on May 1, 2009 in downtown, 6:00 PM. Contact Keri Ornellas for more information.

The Board Training with Lynn will occur on May 3, 2009. (John Miranda—please email the ADHHDBC board the information about what time it starts, where will it happen, etc)

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 3:15 PM by Elizabeth Andrews. The next Board meeting will be at 1:00 PM on May 2, 2009 in BP Energy Center (Cottonwood/Alter conference room).

Minutes submitted by: Jennifer B Schwebke