

ALASKA DEAF, HARD OF HEARING, AND DEAF BLIND COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes November 8, 2009

Opening:

The Board meeting of the Alaska Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Deaf Blind Council was called to order at 11:41 PM on November 8, 2009 in John Thomas Building by Elizabeth Andrews.

Present:

Elizabeth Andrews, President
Courtney McCabe, Vice President
Jennifer Schwebke, Secretary
Aaron Stribling
John Miranda
Dean Gates (left at 12:30)

Guest:

Dave Robertson
Abby Simonson
Eve Ooten

A. Approval of Minutes

- I. October 2009, Statewide Minutes
 - A. Jennifer Schwebke: I move to table the minutes to May statewide meeting. John Miranda second. **PASSED.**
- II. September 2009 Minutes
 - A. Aaron Stribling: I move that we accept the minutes to be read. Eve Ooten second. **PASSED**
 - B. Revisions:
 1. Incorrect date: ~~June 17, 2009~~ September 27, 2009
 2. Incorrect organization: ~~Department of Education~~ State Board of Education

B. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

C. Executive Committee Reports

President—Elizabeth Andrews: Legislative breakfast was a success! Representatives from Government Council, AVS, and ADC were able to attend along with few parents. We had

several good ideas brewing and I am excited to make a follow up with each legislative in few weeks. ADC will draft a proposal to ask Government Council for \$\$\$, although Governmental Council has a controlled budget until 2011 but a little money here and there will help tremendously.

Vice-President—Courtney McCabe: No report.

Secretary—Jennifer Schwebke: Mayor's Charity Ball's application is processed and approved.

Treasurer—Randee Pascall: Absent—(tabled to next meeting)

D. Committee Reports

Leadership Committee—Randee Pascall: Absent

Fundraising Committee—John Miranda: Rachel Hollander will become director for Spring Fling Play. With a committee of four people, she already started planning and preparing for the event. Through my daughter, I received a \$500 donation from Unilak Insurance.

Education Committee—Courtney McCabe: DEB meeting was very productive. DEB voted to advocate SB (Senate Bill) 109 in which eliminate the HSQUE from High School requirement. Next State School Board public testimony will be on December 10th, 2009 at 8:00 AM.

Media Outreach Committee—Aaron Stribling: Want ADC to consider about inserting Pay Pal on ADC Website; a feature that allows people to make donations.

ADHOC—John Miranda: We are at pre-developmental stage and we are working on a proposal to ask Government Council for \$\$\$\$. The estimate cost, including the pre-developmental process, for deaf center is \$3.5 million dollars. The AVS will take over ASL Café and ADC can unite down the road in the near future. Jackie Hill joined the committee.

By-Laws—Rudy Kerr: Absent

E. Old Business

I. DBC

- A. Courtney McCabe: I move to have an open discussion about DBC. John Miranda second. **PASSED**

F. New Business

I. SB 109

- A. Courtney McCabe: I move to have ADC advocate SB 109. Jennifer Schwebke second. **PASSED**

- II. Early Intervention Committee
 - A. Elizabeth Andrews: I move to set up Early Intervention Committee under Education Committee. Jennifer Schwebke second. **PASSED**
 - 1. Jennifer Schwebke: I move to amend Elizabeth Andrews as the committee chairperson. Dean Gates second. **PASSED.**
- III. Interpreter Agency
 - A. Jennifer Schwebke: I move to appoint RNR Interpreting as ADC's preferred interpreter service. Courtney McCabe second. **PASSED**
- IV. ADC Board
 - A. Courtney McCabe: I move to expand ADC board from 11 to 13 members. Jennifer Schwebke second.
 - 1. Jennifer Schwebke: I move to table Courtney's motion to next meeting John Miranda second. **PASSED.**

G. Announcement:

- ❖ CODA Workshop will be on November 21, 2009 at Rasmuson Hall (UAA Campus) from 7:00 to 9:00 PM
- ❖ DAD's Thanksgiving Potluck will be on November 21 at John Thomas Building from 12:00 to 3:00 PM.
- ❖ ADC and AKRID's Medicine Stories will be on November 20 at Rasmuson Hall (UAA Campus) from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. They need more volunteers!!

H. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 2:28 PM by Elizabeth Andrews. The next ADHHDBC meeting will be on December 13, 2009.

Minutes submitted by: Jennifer B Schwebke