

SDAD Board meeting

Held via Zoom conferencing

September 25, 2021

The SDAD Board meeting came to order at 1:30 PM with the following Board members present: President Kevin Barber, Vice President Callista Cline, Secretary David Dahle, Treasurer Patty Kuglitsch; At-large members: Sonny Rasmussen, Jeff Panek, and Brenda Johnson. Absent: Tanya Miller (excused) and Erica Bax.

Seven SDAD members and guests were present.

Agenda:

Patty Kuglitsch (Callista Cline) moved to approve the agenda as updated. Motion carried.

Minutes of previous meetings:

There are four Email votes to be ratified:

August 15, 2021: Board training with Mark Apodaca (failed)

August 18, 2021: Board training with local people (carried)

August 21, 2021: Approval of committee chairs (carried)

September 12, 2021: Approval of two auditors (carried)

David Dahle (Patty Kuglitsch) moved to ratify all four Email votes. Carried.

Treasurer's audited statements:

Statements for May to August 2021 were reviewed and have been accepted by the auditors.

There were some questions relating to the timing of the handover from the previous treasurer and the timing of two Accounts Receivable items.

Brenda Johnson (Callista Cline) moved to accept the Treasurer reports. Carried.

Public Input: none

Officer and Board reports:

President:

Dates have been selected for the next two years and presented to the Board for approval.

SDAD Games have resumed as of August 7th, and the first couple weekends were nearly a full house at Simpson.

The Board retreat the previous weekend was good, but there was a LOT of information to compress into a single day. Future retreats should be broken into a few sessions instead.

The Hands & Voices organization (parents of deaf children) is now active in South Dakota and SDAD should consider a collaboration with Hands & Voices; there are two deaf people on the SD group's board (Lance Sigdestad and Julie Luke).

USD is taking steps to establish a deaf education program, and which should help fill an urgent need for teachers of deaf students.

SDSD Advisory Board is considering a recommendation to rename the South Dakota School for the Deaf, as it has been reduced to an outreach program only.

Rake the Town Sioux Falls is coming up, and Z / P of Sioux Falls is planning on volunteering, and the date for volunteers to join the group would be October 30th (Saturday).

One perk to consider for the SDAD membership would be to allow them to use our unlimited Zoom videoconferencing package.

The NAD has its National Leadership Training Conference underway, and a few Board members have been involved.

Erica Bax has submitted her resignation, and the President will seek a replacement to recommend to the Board.

Vice President:

The only item she has is she needs a Board member from Sioux Falls to help her coordinate with Dauby's regarding SDAD apparel.

Secretary:

The 2021 Conference minutes have been completed.

Treasurer:

The House Policy was reviewed after the change in membership dues at the Conference. The House Policy has been updated and is presented to the Board for approval.

Board members-at-large: None

Committee reports:

Accessibility (open):

Still looking for a chairperson; current committee members are interested in staying, but not interested in being the chairperson.

Audit (Clarke Christianson): The chair and committee members were recently confirmed in order to finish the recent Treasurer's reports.

Cultural Heritage (Scott Miller):

Scott Miller recommends Brian Burr and Mark Johnson to be on his committee.

Education (open):

Same situation as Accessibility; committee members (including the previous chair, Anne Land) are interested in staying, but not interested in being the chairperson.

Finance (Deb Brozik):

Deb Brozik recommends Leland Larson and LaDonna Haake to be on her committee.

Games (Steve Janecek):

Steve Janecek recommends Brian Reno, John Timmer, and Dave Dahle to be on his committee.

Governance (Larry Puthoff):

Larry Puthoff recommends Ben Soukup, David Soukup, and Tom Kober to be on his committee.

Hall of Fame (Scott Miller):

Scott Miller recommends Angela Ellman, Pat Anderson-O'Neill, Stan Brozik, Curt Anderson, Marie Fosheim, and Mark Koterwski to be on his committee (6-year term).

Legislative (Ben Soukup):

Ben Soukup recommends Tom Kober, Callista Cline, and Patty Kuglitsch to be on his committee.

Public Relations (Deb Kuglitsch): No report.

2021 SDAD Conference (Tanya Miller):

The final report and financials were distributed to the Board.

2023 SDAD Conference (Colleen Barber):

Colleen Barber recommends the Board approve the location and dates of the 2023 Conference: Ramkota Hotel at Pierre on June 23-24, 2023.

Ad hoc Interpreting task force (Kevin Barber):

A committee has been selected, 12 members in all, with various stakeholders including interpreters, two representatives from the state, and four SDAD members.

Two major topics under discussion:

EIPA rating requirement: There is a desire to increase the required rating of 3.5 to 4.0, but only three of 24 interpreters in the state with an EIPA rating are certified to the 4.0 standard. Also, it is puzzling that many interpreters that currently have an EIPA rating are NOT interested in interpreting in a school environment. A possible solution would be to increase the rating requirement in smaller steps over time.

Provisional certificates: One, there is a desire to decrease the length of the provisional certificate from five years to three. Two, there is a question on the appropriateness of having provisional certificate holders interpreting in legal / medical situations (it has happened where an interpreter with a provisional certificate has ended up in situations that require a skilled interpreter with legal or medical endorsements).

There remains enough work to do that the November 1st deadline may need to be extended.

Unfinished business: None**New Business:**

1. Sonny Rasmussen (Patty Kuglitsch) moved to accept the dates for the upcoming meetings presented during the President's report. Carried.
2. Sonny Rasmussen (Brenda Johnson) moved to accept the extension of Zoom usage to the membership.
David Dahle (Callista Cline) moved to table this request to the next meeting so more information can be gathered and considered. Carried.
3. Sonny Rasmussen (Callista Cline) moved to accept the proposed changes (removing the pro-rated schedule and initiation fee) but to keep the \$5 late fee. Carried.
4. Jeff Panek (Patty Kuglitsch) moved to approve the Cultural Heritage committee members. Carried.
5. Callista Cline (Sonny Rasmussen) moved to approve the Finance committee members. Carried.
6. Sonny Rasmussen (Callista Cline) moved to approve the Games committee members. Carried.

7. Sonny Rasmussen (David Dahle) moved to approve the Governance committee members. Carried.
8. Callista Cline (Sonny Rasmussen) moved to approve the Hall of Fame committee members. Carried.
9. Sonny Rasmussen (Patty Kuglitsch) moved to approve the Legislative committee members. Carried.
10. Patty Kuglitsch (Sonny Rasmussen) moved to approve the 2023 Conference site and date. Carried.
11. Patty (Brenda Johnson) moved that SDAD will give \$100 to Augustana University Deaf Awareness as a financial sponsor of their upcoming Fall Carnival in October, but SDAD will not be setting up a booth. Carried.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 3:01 PM.

A few announcements were then shared with the Board and guests.

Respectfully submitted,
David Dahle, Secretary