

Guidelines of South Dakota Association of the Deaf Legislative Activities

The South Dakota Association of the Deaf (SDAD) has established the following guidelines for the use of funds for state legislative activities to help carry out the mission of the SDAD.

The Legislative Committee's main responsibilities are to monitor legislative bills that may affect lives of deaf and hard of hearing constituents in the State of South Dakota and network with the legislators, stakeholders, policymakers and others.

The Legislative Committee shall develop a budget plan that reflects the upcoming state legislative activities. It may include but not limited to:

- Lodging
- Mileage
- Per diem
- Interpreting
- Testimonials
- Supplies
- Car rentals
- Contract and Fees for Lobbyist
- Others (meeting room rental, etc.)

It may also include the meetings with the legislators, legislative research council, stakeholders, committee meetings, town hall or information sharing meetings, etc. and the costs for interpreting services will be included.

The legislative committee will be responsible to develop an independent contract agreement; to hire the lobbyist and to maintain all legislative communications. The legislative committee will keep the SDAD President and Board posted on legislative activities.

The budget will be submitted to the SDAD Board for their approval.

The SDAD Legislative Committee will have full access to SDAD's resources, including printer, Facebook, website, emails, supplies, etc. The Chair of the Legislative Committee will be a Point of Contact during the legislative work.

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