

**SDAD Conference**  
**Friday / Saturday, June 21 & 22, 2019**  
**Spearfish Convention, Spearfish, SD**

Jeff Panek, President

Teresa Nold, Vice President

David Dahle, Secretary

Sonny Rasmussen, Treasurer

Board members at large:

Mark Koterwski, Scott Miller, Callista Powell, Lance Sigdestad, and Brian Reno

The conference began Friday afternoon at 4:00 PM MDT with a welcome by President Jeff Panek, followed by a 'State of SDAD' presentation and the SDAD forum.

The business meeting was called to order at 8:48 AM MDT on June 22.

A. Roll Call:

All Board members (except Reno) and 36 members were present.

The President selected Larry Puthoff as parliamentarian and Tom Kober as Nominations chairperson.

B. Approval of the 2017 Conference minutes:

Tom Kober (Wm. Christiansen) moved to accept as read. Carried.

Reports were previously distributed; most had no feedback

C. Officer and Standing Committees:

1. President:

Report was given as the State of SDAD presentation Friday evening

2. Conference Chairpersons:

Co-chairs Callista Powell and Tamra Trujillo gave a summary of the schedule for both days.

3. Vice President:

Planned the annual Holiday (Christmas) dinners for 2017 & 2018:

(Location, games / prizes, Santa, catering)

Responsible for SDAD's Facebook page – posted articles, announcements, etc.

Appointed to SDAD Center taskforce – discussed questions for survey, etc.

Attended Disability Awareness Day at Capitol in 2018

Responsible for fundraisers – Pizza Ranch (2), Pizza Rev (1), and Holiday Bazaar in 2017 and spring Bazaar in 2018 (bazaars raised over \$1800 total)

Served on the SDSA Carnival committees in 2017 & 2018

Media contacts re: captioning at West Mall theaters and regarding one bill eliminating requirement that SDSD superintendent not needing to know sign  
Attended LEAD-K national summit with Callista Powell in Oct. 2018  
Participated in all but 2 board meetings (in person and via Zoom)

4. Secretary:

No report but reminded members that motion forms are available to be filled out for New Business

5. Treasurer:

A summary of the past two years' receipts and expenditures were shared with the members, along with a detailed accounting of the various income and expense accounts and that both are balanced.

Tom Kober (as Governance Committee Chair) took a moment to explain one change that needed approval: renaming the 'contingency' fund to the 'reserve' fund, and informed the membership a corresponding guideline has been developed, and which was then brought up for review.

Patty Kuglitsch (Larry Puthoff) moved to accept the reserve fund guideline with one change: the cutoff limit is to be '\$7000.01' instead of '\$7001'. Carried.

The account summaries were then reviewed and discussed further before moving on to the proposed budget for 2019-2021.

Patty Kuglitsch (Mark Johnson) moved to defer budget to after New Business. Carried.

6. Auditors:

The auditors said all the reports were correct and they agree with the Treasurer's report as presented.

7. Cultural Heritage: (Scott Miller)

This past quarter was a very hectic one due to the Regents leasing out additional space in the Berry / Wright building, resulting in a request that SDAD vacate its leased space. Space was secured in the Simpson building and SDAD's items were transferred to its new home. Now that the campus itself has been sold, we will need to work out the rest of the items as well.

Social media posts have been put on hold until further notice.

8. Education and Legislative: (Teresa Nold)

The committee was very active during the 2018 & 2019 sessions.

2018 session saw two bills (HB1155 – LEAD-K: PASSED; SB109 – repeal licensing requirements for sign language interpreters: dead in committee; HB1058 – repealing requirement that SDSD superintendent know ASL; passed; HB1064 – sale of SDSD property; passed)

2019 session saw one bill (HB1122 – update state laws to replace 'hearing impaired' with 'deaf and hard of hearing'; PASSED) and followed the budget process relating to SD Board of Regents and SDSB funding; concerns about current and future funding levels

Ongoing dialogue with Legislative Research Council and SDPBS regarding accessibility for the deaf

The legislative process is a very fast-paced one and not many understand that we can't wait to make decisions; must keep up with the process

9. Finance: (Kevin Barber)

The committee's work focused on providing guidance to the Board on various larger expenditures as well as advising on various points of policy and guidelines.

The committee also had 5 action items for the membership to consider:

1. Recommended transfer of some money from savings to the SDAD Foundation
2. Recommended approval of updated prorated dues
3. Recommended budget amounts for approval by membership
4. Recommended approval of Reserve Fund guidelines, following Governance Committee's review
5. Recommended approval of SDAD Budget Policy and Procedures, following Governance Committee's review

10. Games: (Steve Janecek)

A brief summary of the past couple years was given, and when asked, Steve said an average of 20 people come to the gym per weekend.

Teresa Nold requested the SDAD membership recognize Steve Janecek for all the time he has devoted to running the gym on the weekends.

President Panek requested a break at 9:55, meeting resumed at 10:05

11. Governance: (Tom Kober)

Tom Kober (chair) took the floor and reviewed the SDAD Budget Policy and Procedures with the membership.

Kevin Barber (Larry Puthoff) moved to accept the Budget Policy and Procedures. Carried.

The committee also reviewed and adjusted the prorated dues due to changing to 2-year period for membership dues, and presented the updated list for approval.

Kevin Barber (Patty Kuglitsch) moved to accept updated dues. Carried.

Next up for discussion was a series of bylaws proposals:

A: (from committee)

4.05: Change incoming / outgoing Board transition to occur at the conference site.

Governance: Do pass

Patty Kuglitsch (David Dahle) moved to approve change. Carried.

B: (from committee)

6.03: Add language to give members power to call special meeting if needed.

Governance: Do pass

Connie Dokken (Sonny Rasmussen) moved to approve change. Carried.

C: (from committee)

8:05: All Committee members approved by Board except Governance

8.06: Governance chair alone appoints members; no Board on committee

Governance: Do pass

Accepted by membership vote.

D: (from committee)

8.07: Correction to section number after new section added above.

Governance: Do pass

Accepted by membership vote.

E: (from committee)

6.07: Change notice for meeting from 3 days to 2 weeks (by committee)

Governance: Do pass

Patty Kuglitsch (Dean Schweitzer) moved to approve change. Carried.

President called for a recess at 11:20 AM, meeting resumed at 1:36 PM with 36 members.

F: (from Kevin Barber)

4.01: Reduce at-large members from 5 to 3

Governance: Do not pass

Mark Johnson (Angela Koterwski) moved to ratify on a 2-year temporary basis.

Failed.

Rejected by membership vote.

G: (from Kevin Barber)

4.04: (tied to proposal #6 above – reduction in board at large)

Governance: Do not pass

Failed by default due to rejection of proposal F

H: (from Kevin Barber)

10.03: NAD delegate is also to attend the National Leadership Training Conference.

Governance: Do not pass

Patty Kuglitsch (Kevin Barber) moved to approve change. Carried.

I: (from Patty Kuglitsch)

6.01: Add schedule of meetings for the full term to be approved at beginning of term

Governance: Do pass with recommended change to proposal

Larry Puthoff (Mark Johnson) amended to add meeting sites as well.

Change, amendment, and main proposal carried by membership vote.

J: (from Patty Kuglitsch)

6.02: Email voting to be permitted ONLY for urgent situations

Governance: Do pass

Teresa Nold (Steve Janecek) moved to approve change. Carried.

K: (from Patty Kuglitsch)

6.01: No one on one meetings – group only; in person or via Zoom

Governance: Do pass with recommended change to proposal.

Deb Kuglitsch (Kevin Barber) moved to approve change. Carried.

L: (from Kevin Barber)

6.03: Special meeting minutes must be ratified at next regular meeting

Governance: Do pass

Mark Gunderson (Patty Kuglitsch) moved to approve change. Carried.

M: (from Kevin Barber)

8.03: Change procedure of auditor selection

Governance: Do pass and refer back to Governance.

Larry Puthoff (Mark Koterwski) moved to refer back to Governance for further work.  
Carried.

N: (from Kevin Barber)

8.04: Change Hall of Fame term to 6 years

Governance: Do pass

Patty Kuglitsch (Larry Puthoff) moved to approve change. Carried.

O: (from Tim Nold)

5.07: Change of removal process; add disclosure requirement and Governance review

Governance: Do not pass

Teresa Nold (Jimmy Mitchell) moved to leave current language as is. Carried.

P: (from Tim Nold)

6.01: Add right of member to make motion, voice, and vote during Board meetings

Governance: Do not pass

Teresa Nold (Wm. Christiansen) moved to amend proposal to voice only.

Amendment and main proposal carried by membership vote.

Q: (from Jeff Panek)

5.01: President shall not serve as chair of ANY committee, only ex-officio role.

Governance: Do pass

Sonny Rasmussen (Lori Kober) moved to approve change. Carried.

R: (from Patty Kuglitsch)

6.04: Add deadline for distribution of minutes (14 days)

Governance: Do pass with recommended change to proposal.

Sonny Rasmussen (Mark Gunderson) moved to approve change. Carried.

S: (from committee)

3.07: Dues (clarify period of time covered by dues)

Governance: Do pass

Sonny Rasmussen (Kevin Barber) moved to approve change. Carried.

Patty Kuglitsch (Mark Gunderson) moved to accept bylaws changes in whole. Carried.

President called for a 10-minute break at 3:15 PM; meeting resumed at 3:30 PM.

12. Hall of Fame: (Scott Miller)

The past few months have been spent finalizing the program book and other things for the Hall of Fame luncheon during the Conference, and the committee was looking forward to the luncheon.

13. Public Relations: No Report

14. Technology: No Report

15. NAD Delegate: Previously published in SDAD News.

16. Necrology: (James Still)

A moment of silence was observed to remember three members who passed away within the past couple years: LeRoy Eagle Bear, Patricia Jensen, and Gary Meek. (Note: Wallace Jensen was mentioned, but his passing was noted during the 2017 Conference)

17. Nominations:

A current list of those running for the Board was shared with the membership. (see Election)

D: Unfinished business: None

E: New Business

1. Mark Johnson (Teresa Nold) moved to establish a taskforce of as many organizations and businesses to 'monitor' equal access for deaf children in the academic field as well as deaf adults in academic settings. Carried.
2. Mark Johnson (Janice Mitchell) moved to increase the SDAD museum operating fund from \$1000 to \$2000. Carried and referred to Finance Committee.
3. LaDonna Haake (Mark Johnson) moved that SDAD start looking for a new place for the deaf club. Withdrawn.

4. Scott Miller (Mark Koterwski) moved that SDAD establish a budget item in the amount of \$15,000 for Youth Program.  
Patty Kuglitsch (Teresa Nold) amended that the amount be reduced to \$5000 per 2 years pending approval of guidelines. Failed.  
Tom Kober (Patty Kuglitsch) amend that the amount be \$4000 with guidelines and fundraising requirements to be established. Withdrawn.  
Main proposal failed.
5. Connie Dokken (Myrna Collins) moved that SDAD send out printed copies of the newsletter as Email can be difficult to read and some people may prefer a printed copy instead. Deferred to later in New Business (similar proposal).
6. Patty Kuglitsch (Mark Johnson) moved to defer budget discussion to the end of the business meeting. Withdrawn.
7. Scott Miller (Mark Johnson) moved that the current balance of \$600+ in the current Youth Program restricted fund be used to sponsor Hannah Huff and Riley Wells to attend the SDSD summer camp program. Carried.
8. Steve Janecek (Mark Johnson) moved to consider the possibility of having SDAD activities on the 2nd floor of Simpson building for the time being. Carried.
9. Patty Pibal (Lori Kober) moved that SDAD Foundation should be included as part of the budget / finance discussion during the SDAD Conference. Withdrawn.
10. Jeff Panek (John Timmer) moved that SDAD board members cannot serve as committee chairperson effective immediately. Carried.
11. Mark Gunderson (Wm. Christiansen) moved that for future SDAD conferences, those inductees to the SDAD Hall of Fame that are not current SDAD members get a free pass for the full SDAD conference, with the exception of voting privileges.  
Larry Puthoff (Kevin Barber) amended that the free pass be for the SDAD business meeting only). Amendment and main motion carried.
12. Patty Kuglitsch (Kevin Barber) moved to make a printed edition of SDAD News available for those without internet access. Ruled out of order; will make adjustments as needed on the SDAD membership form. (See proposal #5)
13. Mark Johnson (LaDonna Haake) moved that SDAD create an unlimited mailing list for the general public to update people on SDAD activities. Failed.
14. Callista Powell (Truce Trujillo) moved that at one SDAD meeting should take place at Rapid City each year. Carried.

15. Kevin Barber (Colleen Barber) moved to open the floor for discussion for a new location for SDAD activities on Saturdays. Withdrawn.
16. Kevin Barber (Colleen Barber) moved to transfer \$10,000 from Reserve Fund to the SDAD Foundation. Failed.
17. Kevin Barber (Larry Puthoff) moved to open the floor for discussion regarding conference combo prices and making contributions towards the late registrants.
18. Connie Dokken (Wm. Christiansen) moved to have SDAD polo shirts be made available in different colors and the new logo. Carried.
19. Lance Sigdestad (Teresa Nold) moved to establish a \$5000 youth scholarship fund with guidelines to be established and ongoing fundraising.  
Sonny Rasmussen (Mark Koterwski) amended to take money from reserve fund.  
Kevin Barber (Tim Nold) amend to change reserve to youth program.  
Amendments and main proposal carried.
20. Callista Powell (Lance Sigdestad) moved that SDAD Board meetings should be broadcast over the Internet for members in other cities. Carried.
21. Brian Burr (Truce Trujillo) moved that SDAD should not charge kids the same rates as adults when registering for the conference, as they lack the understanding nor the interest to participate in the conference.  
Scott Miller (Patty Pibal) moved to refer to next Conference committee. Carried.
22. Patty Kuglitsch / Mark Johnson (Tom Kober) moved that SDAD set up an independent statewide taskforce to focus on quality of life of deaf / HOH children and adults. SDAD shall be the main sponsor of this taskforce by providing all necessary support to achieve these goals. SDAD President (or designee) shall serve as chair of this taskforce. Carried.
23. Kevin Barber (Colleen Barber) moved that SDAD spend up to \$750 on website redesign through Chilmarketing. Carried.
24. Sonny Rasmussen (Mark Gunderson) moved to transfer the Certificate of Deposit at Minnwest Bank in the amount of \$10,000 plus interest to the SDAD Foundation when it matures. Carried.
25. Tom Kober (Patty Kuglitsch) moved that SDAD agrees to implement policy and procedures on conference registration process, including contributions towards late registrants, refunds, transferability, death / hospitalization, and to refer to Governance Committee for development. Carried.



26. Kevin Barber (Colleen Barber) moved that SDAD pay total of \$1000 (500 for airfare and 500 for service fee) to have Mark Apodaca provide training for the SDAD Board.

Sonny Rasmussen (David Dahle) amended to add training for SDAD members.  
Carried. Main proposal carried.

There being no further proposals, new business was closed.

#### F: Election

1. President: Kevin Barber
2. Vice President: Teresa Nold
3. Secretary: Patty Kuglitsch
4. Treasurer: Sonny Rasmussen

Larry Puthoff (Deb Kuglitsch) moved to accept the four officers by acclamation. Carried.

5. Board:

Wm. Christiansen	
David Dahle	Elected
Angela Ellman	Elected
Steve Janecek	Elected
Mark Johnson	Elected
Tim Nold	Elected
Jeff Panek	
  
6. NAD Delegate:

Mark Koterwski	Alternate
Patty Kuglitsch	
Teresa Nold	
Callista Powell	Elected
Larry Puthoff	
  
7. 2021 SDAD site:

Aberdeen	
Chamberlain	
Madison (Lakodia)	
Pierre	
Sioux Falls	Selected

#### G: Budget

1. Patty Kuglitsch (Kevin Barber) moved to approve the budget based on discussion with the proposals previously voted on. Carried.

The new Board members took the oath during the banquet Saturday evening.

The business meeting adjourned at 6:12PM MDT.

Respectfully submitted,  
David M. Dahle  
SDAD Secretary 2015-2019