

# MIDWEST ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC.

**MAAD PLAYERS' COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**61<sup>st</sup> Annual Men's & 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Basketball Tournament**  
**Thursday, March 9, 2006**  
**Hosted by Greater Kansas City Association of the Deaf**  
**Kansas City, Missouri**

## **Meeting Called to Order**

Tournament Director Greg Petersen called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. on Thursday, March 9, 2006 at Holiday Inn in Kansas City, MO.

## **Players' Representatives**

Men's Representative  
Sioux Falls - Jeff Branch  
Lincoln - David Arteaga  
Omaha - Tracy Patzner  
St. Louis - Jason Roberts  
GKCAD - Larry Rogers  
MinnePaul Maroon - Not present  
MinnePaul No Limit - Not present  
Denver - Not present

Women's Representative  
Sioux Falls - Heidi Branch  
Omaha - Fred Ivins  
MinnePaul - Not present  
Des Moines - Melissa Aaron

## **Chairperson Welcome message - Karole Rogers**

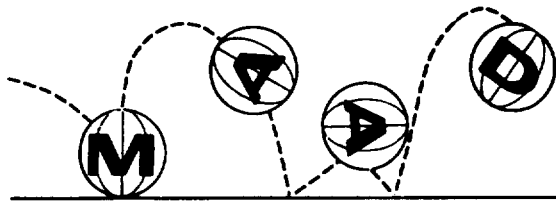
- Explained about the map, directions to the gym
- Wear name tag at all times
- Food/Drinks not allowed in gym from outside
- Explained about courts, no food and drinks on main court, but other 3 courts are fine.
- Have a trainer, Jeff Samson, use your own equipment
- Concession will be open.
- Booths will be upstairs

## **President Welcome message - Wayne Morse**

Welcome MAAD to Kansas City, would like all of us to enjoy and play with big spirits.

## **BPAC Representative - Robert Love**

- Explained what BPAC is and what they do
- Explained about team entry fee, \$300, which includes food and other things, felt it was not right.
- WDB had protest about paying fees to USADB & USADSF
- Questioning about \$16 USADSF fee? Some say it is for participant fee and other say is for insurance.
- Explained BPAC feels that USADB need not to pay for entertainment as players came to play
- BPAC suggested change from 16 to 8 women team entry as never meet the maximum number of women's team allowed but will keep 16 men.
- BPAC proposed to allow them choose the best team in any region if that region's champ or runner up can't go to USADB.
- If any questions, contact Robert Love at 0love520@aol.com



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## **Vice President – Richard McCowin**

Explained proposals that were discussed at Executive Board Meeting

## **Tournament Director - Greg Petersen**

- No practice during day time before tournament
- Explained about shot clock as only use for champ game
- Will play two games at a time
- Explained the new all-star selection system as not using ballots
- Introduced Mike Heft as head referee
  - Start with 5 players and stop game if 2 players left on court
  - Free Throw - leave hand then players can move

Richard explained that we will not be allowing players to sign for two teams, only one team. Example - Play on “A” team as a player and coach “B” team.

## **No New Business**

### **Women Bracket/Drawing**

#1 Des Moines vs. #4 Omaha

#3 Sioux Falls vs. #3 MinnePaul

### **Men’s Bracket/Drawing**

#1 GKCAD vs. Lincoln

St. Louis vs. #4 MinnePaul Maroon

#3 Omaha vs. MinnePaul No-Limit

Denver vs. #2 Sioux Falls

## **Announcement**

Ralph Fuechtmann needs to collect 13 more audiograms before 1<sup>st</sup> game

Greg Petersen would like to see both 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place men and women teams go to USADB plus fans!

## **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Cooper &  
Paige Thompson, MAAD Secretary