



# MIDWEST ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC.

## MAAD Board of Delegates Meeting Minutes 49th Annual Men's, 26th Annual Women's and 9th Annual Co-ed's John L. Buckmaster Memorial Regional Softball Tournament

Friday, July 20, 2007

Hosted by Greater St. Louis Association of the Deaf  
St. Louis, MO

### **Meeting Called to Order –**

Commissioner Wayne Morse called the meeting to order at 8:20 a.m. on Friday, July 20, 2007 at Greater St. Louis Association of the Deaf, St. Louis, MO.

### **Roll Call of Officers, Past Presidents and Tournament Chairs –**

**Executive Board** - Commissioner Wayne Morse, Secretary Paige Thompson-Matzker, Treasurer Jeff Eccles, Tournament Director Greg Petersen, Hall of Fame Lorrie Shank

**Past President** – Jack Cooper, Art Nelson, Joe Carrico

**Tournament Chairs** –2007 Softball Chair Paige Thompson-Matzker/Laura Lister, 2008 Basketball Chair Jeff Branch, 2008 Softball Chair Wayne Morse/Tony Nacarelli

NOTE: Laura Lister sat in for Paige Thompson, Tony Nacarelli sat in for Wayne Morse – both as liaison for Chairs.

**Delegates** – Frankie Morris (Columbia Association of the Deaf); Janice Sayre (Denver SAC); Karole Rogers (Greater Kansas City Association of the Deaf); Jamey Guille (MinnePaul Association of the Deaf); Ann Cooper (Olathe Club of the Deaf); Jack Morrow (St. Louis Bell Club); Keith Cassell (Greater St. Louis Association of the Deaf); Steve Janecek (Sioux Falls Association of the Deaf)

### **Silent Moment/Prayers –**

Silent moment for Richard Helmmuth (Wichita); Mike Hennesey (Wichita); John Mog (Kansas City)

### **Welcome messages and Information: Laura Lister –**

- Explained about BMAC –
  - Clean up after yourselves
  - Concession stands sell food and drinks
  - Teams can only bring jugs
  - Can bring umbrella or canopy for shade.
- Explained about GSLAD –
  - Entertainment Saturday night – mime, song/dance, dj
  - Clean up after yourselves
- Wear badge or wristbands all times; if lose it there will be a \$25 fine.

### **Communications –**

- Letter from GSLAD regarding Robert Lister's suspension from GSLAD Club
- Omaha Association of the Deaf 2007 Financial Report
- Letter from Robert Lister submitting his resignation of Vice President/Deputy Commissioner
- Letter from Olathe Deaf Club submitting their bid for 2009 Softball
- From Basketball 2007 – Letter from St. Louis Bell Club submitting their bid for 2009 Softball

- a. Approval of EB Minutes Report – **PASSED**
- b. Approval of 2007 Omaha Basketball minutes report – **PASSED**
- c. Approval of 2007 Omaha Basketball financial report - **PASSED**

**Reports of Officer(s) –**

***Commissioner, Wayne Morse –***

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- Reported that FAAD split in two organizations a few years ago – one for basketball and one for softball. However, with issues both faced, they joined back together to form one organization again.
- Shared information about the Bylaw overlap meeting which happened on April 28. A good number of people came – 5 delegates with officers. It was agreed to use 2004 Bylaws and make corrections/updates until the resignation of Vice President/Deputy Commissioner. Lorrie Shank and Ann Cooper will interpret bylaws if necessary. Election for new Vice President/Deputy Commissioner will be in new business.
- Suggested to conclude meeting at 11 a.m. and resume at 7 p.m. if not completed with business.

***Deputy Commissioner, vacant –*** no report

***Secretary, Paige Thompson-Matzker –***

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***Treasurer, Jeff Eccles –***

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***Tournament Director, Greg Petersen –***

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***Hall of Fame, Lorrie Shank –***

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**Reports of Past Presidents –**

***Past President, Jack Cooper –***

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***Past President, Art Nelson -***

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***Past President, Joe Carrico –***

Shared that he welcomes everyone to St. Louis – home of Cardinals, Rams and Blues. MAAD has someone present who helped founded MAAD – Arthur Nelson. Everyone have a great time and go home safely.

***Past President, Ray Kilthau -*** Not present

***Past President, Greg Desrosiers -*** Not present

***Past President, Paul Hrabovsky -*** Not present

**Reports of Chairs -**

***2008 Basketball Chair, Jeff Branch –***

- ✓ Introduces himself.
- ✓ States that fans and players will enjoy Sioux Falls Basketball tournament.
- ✓ There are flyers: information on front and places to stay on back.
- ✓ Interested in purchasing a trophy – contact him.

***2008 Softball Information (Jeff Eccles)–***

- ✓ MAAD Executive Board working together to make the tournament the best for 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.
- ✓ Introduced Ann Cooper, Registration Chair. It is \$25 combo ticket – for fans, players, delegate, senior citizens, etc. Children is \$12
- ✓ Shared about issues that MAAD faces with NSAD. Will be checking with NSAD and facilities to make sure everything is okay.

**2009 Basketball Chair, Lynda Collicot** – Not present

**Rules and Regulations Revisions - On Hold**

**Unfinished business**

- ✓ Greater Columbia Association of the Deaf moved to refer unfinished business to the next meeting. Seconded. **PASSED.**
- ✓ Jeff Eccles moved to untable motion. Seconded. **PASSED.**

Budget Committee Chair, Jeff Eccles – proceeded to discussed the 3 referrals from 2007 Omaha Basketball.

- ✓ Executive Board Meeting – MAAD hires a professional parliamentarian starting 2007. REJECTED due to two reasons – financial and President can pick one.
- ✓ Executive Board Meeting – MAAD remove in bylaws that allow for 50% transportation for officers. REJECTED as related to bylaws, not with finances.
- ✓ Board of Delegates Meeting – MAAD should be able to pay in full for 50% of transportation and lodging. REJECTED for 3 reasons – will committee remain same as before; when hosts make a bid for tournament, they should know what contract states; MAAD officers came to help and serve the tournament.

Questioned about the “Equal Right Committee” – it was stated that the committee was formed but the work is not completed.

**New business**

- ✓ St. Louis Bell Club moved that first time player keeps filled high school column for 6 years only in MAAD registration form starting year 2008. Seconded. **WITHDRAW**
- ✓ St. Louis Bell Club moved that CODA (1-men, 1-women, 2-coed) allows that help our MAAD grow in future. Seconded. **REFERRED TO LAW COMMITTEE**
- ✓ Paige Thompson-Matzker moved to allow invited teams from other regions to participate in our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Softball Tournament. Seconded.

    Lorrie Shank amended that invited teams pay independent team entry fees so can be considered as independent team. Seconded. **PASSED.**

    Sioux Falls Association of the Deaf amended that no prizes. Seconded. **PASSED.**

    MOTION AS WHOLE: Paige Thompson-Matzker moved to allow invited teams from other regions to participate in MAAD 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Softball tournament paying independent team entry fees so can be considered as independent team and no prizes. Seconded. **PASSED**

- ✓ Arthur Nelson moved that a CODA player be able to participate effective next softball tournament. Seconded. **REFERRED TO LAW COMMITTEE**
- ✓ Paige Thompson-Matzker moved that MAAD allow Delegate sit with Player Representative at Player Council Meetings. Seconded.

Lorrie Shank amended that delegate do not have voting privileges. Seconded. **PASSED**.

MOTION as WHOLE: Paige Thompson-Matzker moved that MAAD allow Delegate sit with Player Representative at Player Council Meetings and have no voting privileges: Seconded. **PASSED**

- ✓ Sioux Falls Association of the Deaf moved that 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary travel championship award championship travel is full so need new one for 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Seconded.

2008 Basketball Chair amended MAAD EB make the final decision on the trophy – old and current. Seconded. **PASSED**

MOTION AS WHOLE: Sioux Falls Association of the Deaf moved that 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary travel championship award championship travel is full so need new one for 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and MAAD EB make the final decision on the trophy – old and current. Seconded. **PASSED**

- ✓ Olathe Club of the Deaf moved that MAAD Delegate open discussion on the motion about future softball tournament to be held during Labor Day Weekend. Seconded. **PASSED**. Discussed.
- ✓ Sioux Falls Association of the Deaf moved that we follow as said in 2004 Bylaws for hosting softball tournament dates. Seconded. **PASSED**.
- ✓ Jeff Eccles moved that we open to nominate and elect an interim vice president/deputy commissioner for MAAD. Seconded. **PASSED**.

Nominations –

Barbara Nacarelli - WINNER

Jason Roberts – on law committee.

- ✓ Olathe Club of the Deaf moved to have meeting rescind at 7 p.m. tonight. Seconded. **PASSED**.
- ✓ Olathe Club of the Deaf moved that we open the discussion about 2008 (next year) softball tournament so we need to know while we are here. Seconded. **PASSED**. Discussed.
- ✓ Denver Silent Athletic Club moved that we change prize formula of cash prize for champ and second place team as based on total admission of players on teams. Seconded. **REFERRED TO LAW COMMITTEE**.
- ✓ 2008 Softball Liason Chair moved that MAAD needs to improve on the Headquarter hotel (Lodging) for better negotiations for all future tournament, expecting that the hotel(s) have good conditions/accommodations. Seconded. **PASSED**.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,  
*Paige Thompson-Matzker*  
MAAD Secretary