



MIDWEST ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC.

2019 MAAD Softball Board of Delegates Meeting Minutes
61st Annual Men's, 38th Annual Women's, 21st Annual Coed's
John L. Buckmaster Memorial Slo-Pitch Tournament
August 30th - September 1st, 2019
Lee's Summit, Missouri

Meeting Called to Order:

President Charles Trumble called the meeting to order at 7:17pm on Friday, August 30th, 2019.

Roll Call:

Elected Executive Board Officers: President Charles Trumble, Vice-President Amy Thompson, Secretary Kiley Peterson, Treasurer Marti Herman, Board-at-Large Mack Weyers and Tournament Director Greg Petersen

Appointed: Hall of Fame Director Tami Richardson-Nelson.

Past Presidents: Wayne Morse & Lorrie Shank

Delegates – Omaha Association of the Deaf – Tyler Swoboda and Candice Arteaga; Greater St. Louis Association of the Deaf – Sue Held and Rene Schoeffler; Lincoln Association of the Deaf – Jonathan Scherling and Jonathan Arteaga; Olathe Club of the Deaf – Tyler Thompson and Lorrie Shank; Wichita Association of the Deaf – Andrew Stone and Tami Richardson - Nelson; Cyber Silent Athletics – Travis Trumble and Kenneth Gentzke III

Pledge of Allegiance - Mack Weyers

Parliamentarian - Jack Cooper

Silent Prayers – Wayne Mnich and Rose Marie Johnson

Approval of Agenda – approved.

Correspondence (letters, information, etc.):

Approvals

1. 2019 MAAD Basketball Delegate Board Meeting Minutes - passed.
2. 2018 MAAD Annual Financial Report - passed
3. 2019 MAAD Basketball Executive Board Meeting Minutes - did in verbal (passed) will show again at next Basketball Delegate meeting.

Reports of Officer(s):

President Charles Trumble:

Welcome to Lee's Summit! I am looking forward to having a great tournament over this Labor Weekend and see everyone going home with smiles and new memories. MAAD is having the largest number of teams since 2014 as well as the first time having a men's tournament since 2014. We are expecting six coed teams and four men teams. The park where the tournament will be hosted was recently renovated about three years ago. The playing fields are in great shape, spacious dugouts, and plenty more shades for our fans as well. The park staff have been amazing with helping arrange for this event.

The MAAD Executive Board have been busy with making changes to improve MAAD. Each position has an official email account to help keep MAAD business separate from their personal accounts. Since the 2019 MAAD Basketball tournament, we have sent over 1,500 emails to each other. The Executive Board also had two online meetings to collaborate our tasks and preparations. We are also shifting our focus from writing on papers to saving our work online. MAAD had a successful online round robin pool drawing as well. We still see more areas for improvement and will keep chipping away to improve the efficiency of MAAD.

Two other regions also hosted their softball tournament. NEAAD had six men teams and a single women's exhibition game. SWSAD had six men teams, four women teams, and five coed teams. Also new for this year was an East Quadrant tournament where five men teams competed.

I also want to sincerely show great appreciation for our two sponsors for this tournament, Sorenson Communications and Associated Audiologists! With their contributions, MAAD is able to offer more to our participants. Please stop by their booth during the tournament weekend to see how much more they have to offer to you.

As I conclude this report, I also want to recognize the great work the Executive Board has pitched in. They are a terrific group with talent and dedication, helping to make this MAAD Softball tournament a success. MAAD holds a special place in our memories. I look forward to catching up with old friends and meeting new friends during this tournament.

Vice President – Amy Thompson

Since 2019 Basketball Delegates,

- I have updated all of motions that was passed to the MAAD Organizational Document. I have updated to the website on May 1, 2019 as promised.
- Very slow transition from maad.org to new website which is WordPress, still have not started using it. We are transferring all files, pictures, history, etc.
- Selected law committee to work with me, Lorrie Shank and Andrew Stone.
- Received new motions from OCD for Softball Delegates. Was hoping more from other clubs.

These motions from OCD have more of a language adjustments, duplicates, etc.

Goal from now to next Delegates Meeting,

- Finish the website and get it active.
- Continue review organizational documents to find any more loopholes.
- Scan all old organizational documents into flash drive to eliminate 3 boxes.

Secretary Kiley Peterson:

Excited to be here with you all guys and whoever's playing- good luck to everyone! Thank you for being patient with me sending out a lot of emails and such. Again please do not hesitate to give me any feedback- we all learn together! Since I joined,

- Updated MAAD Facebook with basketball statistics and awards information in March 2019.
- Sent out an official announcement of new MAAD board members to the clubs and posted on Facebook in March 2019.
- Sent out registration information for 2019 Softball to club members and posted on Facebook and website in April 2019.
- Sent out Softball delegates form to clubs in June 2019.
- Created videos for softball teams announcement in August 2019
- Running the Cornhole Tournament at MAAD softball 2019

Goals from now,

- Will be helping Vice President- Amy Thompson with the website
- Hope to get everyone in the Board to be savvy with Google Drive, Google Docs, etc so they can access it from everywhere online!
- Will be collecting pictures & videos and putting it online (facebook & website) so we can have access to the old pictures & videos

Treasurer Marti Herman:

Welcome to 2019 MAAD Softball!! I'm looking forward to seeing all of you. I hope you all will enjoy your stay in Lee's Summit!

- Renewed the dues for IRS form 990-N in May 2019
- Renewed the Bond Insurance for 2019-2020
- Collected 10 registration forms. There are 4 men and 6 coed teams. Three teams are from Independent teams. Considering doing the registration online? Would like to discuss how the payment will work. I'm open to any discussion if you have any ideas?!
- Revised on 2018 Softball Financial Report that was not approved in the 2019 Basketball.
- Worked on 2019 Basketball Financial Report.
- Made some changes on the budgetary guidelines for the fiscal year in the organization document. Will be discussing this in my budget committee report.

Good luck to all teams and have fun!!!

Board-at-Large Mack Weyers:

Hello everybody! Welcome to 2019 MAAD Softball Tournament on the Labor weekend. Summer has flown by so fast and unexpected! It's my second year as Board at Large for MAAD and I am enjoying it also I'm still learning and cherish whatever I have learned! Simple and sweet!

- Our communication has improved as us working with different plans and it has been successful. We are good at replying each other through emails and will for sure find time to communicate with each other. Since basketball tournament in March, we had three zoom meetings which is really good. I want to keep that up!
- We all are following our guidelines of the duties that we are supposed to get done and that is a

huge improvement!

- The bylaws is still cleaning up and fixing but we are constantly working on that. For the future, we will be doing better especially with the bylaws!
- Play well and have fun!
- What is most important for the day tomorrow?

Tournament Director Greg Petersen:

I'm elated to see MAAD Softball making a return to Labor Day weekend. When I started playing softball at MAAD, I remembered it was on Labor Day weekend in 1978 at Omaha! I hope we will stick to Labor Day weekend from now on to bring back more teams and fans.

For this Labor Day weekend, we'll have 6 COED teams and 4 Men teams participating. I'm thrilled to see Men's teams back since 2014 at Brookings, SD.

A huge word of 'Thanks' to Tina Spallo, Superintendent of Jackson County Recreation, for allowing us to use their beautiful Frank White Jr Softball complex for our annual MAAD softball tournament!

Reports of Past Presidents:

Jack Cooper: Really to be excited to see new officers- new blood, Let's see about hosting on Labor Weekend- and could consider Monday as a rain date if necessary!

Wayne Morse: I really enjoyed 2019 Basketball in Faribault! Everything went smooth and got to finish early which is a rare! For the meetings at MAAD, I didn't enjoy that so much because very nitpicking on words especially with the audiograms, motions being passed too fast. Ended with that everyone makes mistakes and should forgive people for their mistakes, we are all human. Suggested that we all think before talk and think about the right thing! This is probably my last trip due to my health and have been attending for over 50 years! A little left in my tank to make commitments to come to MAAD.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Hall of Fame Committee – Tami Richardson-Nelson:

Welcome to the 61st Annual Men's, 38th Annual Women's and 21st Annual Coed's tournament. It is wonderful to be back during Labor Day weekend and given the fact that we secured enough Men to have their tournament along with the continuation of the Coed teams. I hope for all to have fun, good team sportsmanship, along with socializing time. It's always fun to win, but most importantly is to play fair, enjoy meeting new people and being a part of what MAAD has long stood for. MAAD is a very strong region and it is because of people like you who love to play sports.

The work of the database of the Hall of Fame is still in progress. The committee is looking for one new member to serve. We hope to fill that position very soon. I hope each and everyone of you have a blast this weekend.

Budget Committee – Marti Herman -

Would like to add budget guidelines - and want to delete liability insurance for USADB because we haven't paid them since. We only pay when MAAD hosts

Law Committee – Vice President Amy Thompson -

Law committee and I are still working on this and we do find lot more loopholes but we felt that there are several motions that are too important to address at this softball delegate then we'll continue

more at basketball delegates. Hopefully by 2021, it will finally clean up.

Report of Tournament Chairs:

2019 MAAD Softball Chairperson – Mack Weyers

It's my very first experience as chairperson and these are pretty overwhelmed but successful. Why? Because of our team board of MAAD are doing a great teamwork, planning, work out their duties, we actually work together and made this happened. Without them, this would not have been successful. Thank you all MAAD board!

MAAD Board and I would like to extend our thanks to the following people: Coed and Men teams that have registered, fans, family and especially to Frank White Sport Complex, Tina Spallo and Umpire in Chief – Kurt Morrison who have filled in for the umpires for us!! We really do appreciate it!

Unfinished Business –

BDBB2019-03:

I, Traci Ivins (OAD) move that General Tournament Rules and Regulations Section 1, A, 1 be changed to read: An audiogram (official hearing test report, performed by a state-certified or state-licensed audiologist or audiometrist) showing a hearing loss of 55 decibels (db) or greater in the worse ear to be eligible for MAAD tournaments.

OLD (pg 26)

SECTION 1: QUALIFICATIONS OF PLAYERS – Any player who wishes to play in a competition or tournament of the MAAD must satisfy the following requirements:

A. Proof of being Deaf, or in specific sports, proof of being a CODA (Child of Deaf Adults), be submitted to the Tournament Director before or during the Players Council Meeting, in one of the following forms:

1. an audiogram (official hearing test report, performed ~~and signed~~ by a state-certified or state-licensed audiologist or audiometrist) showing a hearing loss of 55 decibels (db) or greater in ~~both the worse ear~~; A softball player shall have a hearing loss of 55 db or greater in the worse ear to be eligible according to National Softball Association of the Deaf Rules & Regulations.
2. transcripts (which may be in the form of report cards, diplomas or other state recognized documents) from a recognized residential or mainstreamed school with deaf students;
3. proof of participation, including year and sport played, as a player in any World Championship for the Deaf or Deaflympics, or
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DAAD Seconded.

Amend #1: MP moved to remove the 'worse ear'. Greg seconded.

1. an audiogram (official hearing test report, performed by a state-certified or state-licensed audiologist or audiometrist) showing a hearing loss of 55 decibels (db) or greater in both ears; A softball player shall have a hearing loss of 55 db or greater in the worse ear to be eligible according to National Softball Association of the Deaf Rules & Regulations.

Law Committee:

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In USADB's RR:

Section 3.02: Player Eligibility Rules

(a) Players representing a team shall be deaf or hard of hearing.

(b) Players shall have an unaided hearing loss of 55db or greater in the better ear. A recent (two or less

years old) certified audiogram shall be provided no later than March 1st upon request.
(Note: there's nothing about copy of diploma, etc from school for the deaf).

In NSAD's RR:

3.1 A player shall have a hearing loss of 55 db or greater in the **better** ear to be eligible, failure to meet requirements can be reviewed case by case with Executive Board. This rule is still subject to deliberation, therefore, not “fully implemented” or “subject to interpretation”. (Passed 2018)

3.1.1 NSAD Executive Board is authorized to require any player to retake audiology test at the tournament site at the expense of NSAD.

3.2 Players shall have attended a school for the deaf, whether residential or day, oral or combined, shall give their regional secretary a copy of diploma, certificate, or any identified school document as well as audiogram for verification of attendance or graduation. Players who have attended a regular or mainstreaming school are required to submit an old or new audiogram to NSAD secretary.

In both USADB and NSAD's RR shows nothing about needing the audiogram to be signed and also shows 'better' ear. Both bylaws/RR does not say 'audiologist or audiometrist' but can leave these alone. USADB only accepts audiogram while NSAD accepts audiogram and HS diploma.

(Do MAAD still wants to follow NSAD's RR even when MAAD not affiliated?)

Recommendation (1): Use 'better' instead of 'worse' or 'both'.

Recommendation (2): A recent (two or less years old) audiogram to be add.

Recommendation (3): Remove transcripts as USADB do not accept them

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WAD SECONDED.

FAILED.

BDBB2019-10:

I, GSLAD, move that MAAD set a firm deadlines of 2 weeks for all audiograms, diplomas, any player changes before all MAAD tournament to help make things smoother & easier for the Hall of Fame & the Tournament Director. It would also help the board too!

Secoded by MP

OAD move to Referred to Law Committee

Law Committee:

General Tournament Rules and Regulations under Section 1.

Recommendation (1): Change "Failure to do so shall be ineligible to participate in the tournament" to: Section 1.1 New player is required to submit the document (audiogram or transcript) two weeks prior to the tournament date. Failure to do so shall be ineligible to participate in the tournament (or the player will have to pay twenty dollars (\$20) fee if submitted on or after the date of two weeks prior to the tournament.)

Recommendation (2): 'any player changes' does not apply because have statement "Any late signers/additional players will be assessed \$30.00 fee with proof of audiograms/diplomas prior to the Players Council Meeting."

OAD SECONDED.

WAYNE MORSE MOVED TO REFERRED TO LAW COMMITTEE,

GSLAD SECONDED

CARRIED.

Amendment # SBDB2019-01:

Amendment Proposed by: Lorrie Shank

Secoded by: Treasurer

Article and Section: BYLAWS Article 5, Section 3 (page 7)

Current Language:

Section 3 – Duties and responsibilities: The MAAD Board of Delegates shall:

- a. Elect officers to serve on the MAAD Executive Board;
- b. Amend, maintain, and follow the MAAD Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, and Policies;
- c. Establish MAAD committees, standing or special;
- d. Approve the establishment of new MAAD Players Councils;
- e. Revise and approve the budget and changes to Fiscal Policies proposed by the Budget Committee for the following fiscal year;
- f. Authorize the taking of any legal action necessary in the best interests of the MAAD; and

g. Remove, for due cause, any elected Executive Board member.

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Proposed Amendment (Revised):

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Rationale: Delegates haven't practiced this and need to add to the list of duties to remind that need to ratify the motions from Players Council.

FAILED.

Amendment # SBDB2019-02:

Amendment Proposed by: Lorrie Shank

Seconded by: WAAD

Article and Section: BYLAWS Article 5, Section 4 (page 7)

Current Language:

Section 4 – Date of Meetings: Annual meetings of the Board of Delegates shall take place annually during MAAD basketball and softball tournament.

Proposed Amendment:

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A. Basketball Tournament -

i. Approval of amendments

ii. Audit

iii. Elections (even year)

B. Softball Tournament -

i. Approval of amendments

Proposed Amendment (Revised):

Section 4 – Date of Meetings: Meetings of the Board of Delegates shall take place annually during:

A. Basketball Tournament -

i. Approval of amendments

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iii. Elections (even year)

B. Softball Tournament -

i. Approval of amendments

Rationale: Since now have Board of Delegates meeting during softball, need to remove the word "Annual" to prevent confusion of when elections, audit, etc. (Word 'Annual Meeting' will need to be change throughout of Organizational Documents).

CARRIED

Amendment # SBDB2019-03:

Amendment Proposed by: Lorrie Shank

Seconded by: DAAD

Article and Section: BYLAWS Article 8, Section 4 (page 9)

Current Language:

Section 4 – Final Approval and Implementation: All amendments that are proposed shall be submitted to the Board of Delegates at the annual meeting. Amendments shall only be approved by at least a two-third (2/3) vote by the Board of Delegates. Amendments that are approved at the Annual Meeting shall become effective on the following May 1st.

Proposed Amendment:

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Rationale: Clarify of when all amendments become effective on May 1st

CARRIED

Amendment # SBDB2019-04:

Amendment Proposed by: Lorrie Shank

Seconded by: LAD

Article and Section: BYLAWS Article 8, Section 2 (page 8)

Current Language:

Section 2 – Process: Proposed amendment to the MAAD Bylaws and organizational documents except for the Rules and Regulations shall be made in writing to the Vice President at least seventy-five (75) days before the next annual Board of Delegates meeting. The Vice President shall submit all proposed amendments, at least sixty (60) days prior to the Annual meeting, to the Law Committee, which shall consider the proposed amendments and shall issue recommendations in the form of a final draft at the Annual Meeting. The Vice President shall also send a copy of the final draft of the proposed amendments forty-five (45) days in advance of the Annual Meeting to: the certified delegates, Secretary of each Club Member; and all members of the MAAD Executive Board.

Proposed Amendment:

Section 2 – Process: Proposed amendment to the MAAD Bylaws and organizational documents except for the Rules and Regulations shall be made in writing to the Vice President at least ~~seventy-five (75)~~ forty-five (45) days before the next ~~annual~~ Board of Delegates meeting. The Vice President shall submit all proposed amendments, at least ~~sixty (60)~~ thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Board of Delegates meeting, to the Law Committee, which shall consider the proposed amendments and shall issue recommendations in the form of a final draft at the Annual Meeting. The Vice President shall also send a copy of the final draft of the proposed amendments ~~forty-five (45)~~ fifteen (15) days in advance of the Annual Board of Delegates Meeting to: the certified delegates, Secretary of each Club Member; and all members of the MAAD Executive Board.

Proposed Amendment (Revised):

Section 2 – Process: Proposed amendment to the MAAD Bylaws and organizational documents except for the Rules and Regulations shall be made in writing to the Vice President at least forty-five (45) days before the next Board of Delegates meeting. The Vice President shall submit all proposed amendments,

at least thirty (30) days prior to the Board of Delegates meeting, to the Law Committee, which shall consider the proposed amendments and shall issue recommendations in the form of a final draft at the Annual Meeting. The Vice President shall also send a copy of the final draft of the proposed amendments fifteen (15) days in advance of the Board of Delegates Meeting to: the certified delegates, Secretary of each Club Member; and all members of the MAAD Executive Board.

Rationale: By using today's technology of emails can shorten the number of days.

CARRIED

Amendment # SBDB2019-05:

Amendment Proposed by: Lorrie Shank

Seconded by: GSLAD

Article and Section: EXECUTIVE BOARD MANUAL – OFFICERS AND DUTIES Section 3 (page 15)

Current Language:

SECTION 3: VICE PRESIDENT – The Vice President shall have the following duties:

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- C. Chairing the Law Committee;
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- F. MAAD organizational documents will be posted on MAAD's website by May 1st.
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Rationale: Organizational Documents includes 12 different sections including Bylaws.

CARRIED.

Amendment # SBDB2019-06:

Amendment Proposed by: Lorrie Shank

Seconded by: WAAD

Article and Section: EXECUTIVE BOARD MANUAL – OFFICERS AND DUTIES Section 8 (page 17)

Current Language:

SECTION 8: HALL OF FAME SELECTION

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A suggestion is to send a mailing that advertises the position throughout the region. This method can unearth potential qualified volunteers who would not have initially been identified and opens the selection process to all interested individuals. Applicants for the position should submit a resume of all qualifications.

The hall of fame director should be selected primarily on qualifications. The following qualities should be considered:

- Time availability
- Level of commitment and dedication
- Level of motivation
- Organizational skills
- Experience in museum, heritage or visitor attraction work, paid or voluntary
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Rationale: Missing 'DIRECTOR'

CARRIED.

Amendment # SBDB2019-07:

Amendment Proposed by: Lorrie Shank

Seconded by: GSLAD

Article and Section: PLAYERS COUNCIL MANUAL Section 1.M (page 19)

Current Language:

M. Any six (6) teams or less in tournament shall play two (2) games each in balanced pool set up to determine final round match ups. Each team would be guaranteed three (3) games.

Proposed Amendment:

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Rationale: Conflict with Basketball Rules and Regulations H. NUMBERS OF TEAMS IN EACH DIVISION. OR move to Softball Rules and Regulations?

WAD REFERRED TO BASKETBALL DELEGATE MEETING

CARRIED

Amendment # SBDB2019-08:

Amendment Proposed by: Lorrie Shank

Seconded by: Secretary

Article and Section: MEMBERSHIP POLICIES Section 2B (page 20)

Current Language:

SECTION 2: MEMBERSHIP DUES –

- A. The amount of annual membership dues for Club Members shall be determined by the Board of Delegates at the Annual Meeting;
- B. Each MAAD Club Member shall pay its annual membership dues to the MAAD Secretary on or before October 1st of each year. MAAD Club Members shall have ninety (90) days after the deadline of October 1st to pay the annual membership dues with late fees. If any MAAD Club Member has not paid its annual membership dues within ninety-one (91) days of October 1st, that Club Member shall lose its membership and all attendant privileges.

Proposed Amendment:

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Proposed Amendment (Revised):

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Rationale: Treasurer can keep track of membership paid for fiscal year.

CARRIED

Amendment # SBDB2019-09:

Amendment Proposed by: Lorrie Shank

Seconded by: Treasurer

Article and Section: FISCAL POLICIES Section 3A (page 21)

Current Language:

SECTION 3: BUDGET – Prior to the Annual Meeting, the MAAD Finance Committee shall determine an appropriate budget for the upcoming fiscal year of MAAD, and shall recommend this budget for approval by the Board of Delegates at the Annual Meeting. The budget shall include the following line items:

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 - 1. Annual Dues from Club Members;
 - 2. Application Fees from Club Members
 - 3. Tournament Fees from the Tournament Host Club;
 - 4. Team Tournament Entry Fees from each participating team;
 - 5. Registration Fees from fans attending the tournaments;

6. Bid Deposits from Club Members seeking to become a Tournament Host;
7. Fines or Penalties incurred on clubs, teams, or individuals;
8. Contributions or Donations from entities or individuals;
9. Other Registration and Membership Fees; and
10. Any other legal and appropriate sources of revenue.

Proposed Amendment:

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Proposed Amendment (Revised):

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9. Other Registration and Membership Fees; and
10. Any other legal and appropriate sources of revenue.

Rationale: MAAD do collect Players' Fees.

CARRIED.

Amendment # SBDB2019-10:

Amendment Proposed by: Lorrie Shank

Seconded by: Secretary

Article and Section: GENERAL TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS - PLAYER AND TEAM ELIGIBILITY Section 1 (page 26)

Current Language:

SECTION 1: QUALIFICATIONS OF PLAYERS – Any player who wishes to play in a competition or tournament of the MAAD must satisfy the following requirements:

- A. Proof of being Deaf, or in specific sports, proof of being a CODA (Child of Deaf Adults), be submitted to the Tournament Director before or during the Players Council Meeting, in one of the following forms:
1. An audiogram (official hearing test report, performed and signed by a state-certified or state-licensed audiologist) showing a hearing loss of 55 decibels (db) or greater in both ears; A softball player shall have a hearing loss of 55 db or greater in the worse ear to be eligible according to National Softball Association of the Deaf Rules & Regulations.
 2. transcripts (which may be in the form of report cards, diplomas or other state recognized documents) from a recognized residential;
 3. proof of participation, including year and sport played, as a player in any World Championship for the Deaf or Deaflympics, or
 4. Obtain proof of CODA only a birth certificate showing the name of a deaf parent and proof of the parent's deafness through any of the other proof listed in this section.
- B. At least eighteen (18) years of age at the time of registering;
- C. Proof of high school graduation or GED completion;
- D. Not currently playing in a collegiate and/or professional sport at the time of the MAAD tournament;
- E. Play for only one (1) team in each respective tournament (allow to play men's/coed's or women/co-ed's);
- F. Proof of membership in a bona-fide MAAD Club Member or an Independent Team Member.

Proposed Amendment:

SECTION 1: QUALIFICATIONS OF PLAYERS – Any player who wishes to play in a competition or tournament of the MAAD must satisfy the following requirements:

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B. Proof of being a CODA (Child of Deaf Adults):

~~4.~~ 1. Obtain proof of CODA only a birth certificate showing the name of a deaf parent and proof of

the parent's deafness through any of the other proof listed in this section.

B. At least eighteen (18) years of age at the time of registering;

~~C.~~ Proof of high school graduation or GED completion;

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Proposed Amendment (Revised):

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Rationale: CODA do not need to get audiogram so put CODA separate to make it clear of what CODA need to obtain proof. MAAD hasn't practice in getting proof of membership in bona fide of MAAD Club Member (that's Club Member's responsible to make sure players are member of their club - not MAAD's responsible). And how it work for proof of membership of an Independent Team?

CARRIED

Amendment # SBDB2019-11:

Amendment Proposed by: Lorrie Shank

Seconded by: DAAD

Article and Section: SOFTBALL RULES AND REGULATIONS - C. (page 31)

Current Language:

C. NATIONAL AFFILIATION – The current softball naaD is the National Softball Association of the Deaf (NSAD).

Proposed Amendment:

C. NATIONAL AFFILIATION —~~The current softball naaD is the National Softball Association of the Deaf (NSAD).~~ MAAD is not affiliated with any softball naaD.

Proposed Amendment (Revised):

C. NATIONAL AFFILIATION – MAAD is not affiliated with any softball naaD.

Rationale: MAAD has not pay any affiliation fees with any softball naaD. Do MAAD have to follow NSAD's RR?

CARRIED.

Amendment # SBDB2019-12:

Amendment Proposed by: Amy Thompson

Seconded by: SECRETARY

Article and Section: Basketball Rules and Regulations Section A (pg. 28)

Current Language:

A. DATES OF TOURNAMENT –MAAD Basketball tournaments shall be held annually at the end of March, although another date may be permitted;

Proposed Amendment:

A. DATES OF TOURNAMENT –MAAD Basketball tournaments shall be held annually at ~~the end of March~~ any time during the last two (2) weekends of February or any weekends of March, although another date may be permitted;

Proposed Amendment (Revised):

A. DATES OF TOURNAMENT –MAAD Basketball tournaments shall be held annually at any time during the last two (2) weekends of February or any weekends of March,

although another date may be permitted;

Rationale: The wording was incorrect during motion at 2019 Basketball Tournament, this is just to correct the language.

CARRIED.

Recessed at 9:12pm

Resumed at 9:47pm

New Business

SBDB2019- 01:

I, OCD (seconded CRAD) moves to ratify the Players Council's motion to do 6-4 format for COED and must have at least one women outfield and one women infield and pitcher & catcher can be same gender. Batting list can't have three males in a row.

CARRIED.

SBDB2019-02:

I, WAD (seconded GSLAD), moves that must add SODA requirement for Article and Section General Tournaments and Regulations – Players and team eligibility Section 1 page 26.

Referred to Law Committee.

SBDB2019-03:

I, Cedar Rapids (seconded OAD), move that the award presentation should be awarded specifically to deaf players, not to CODA or SODA players.

FAILED.

SBDB2019-04:

I, Marti Herman (seconded DAAD), move that we add FA's ruling in the rules and regulations.

Referred to Softball Taskforce.

SBDB2019-05:

I, DAAD (seconded Marti Herman) move that MAAD increase 2 CODA/SODA for Mens.

Referred to Softball Taskforce.

SBDB2019-06:

I, WAD (seconded GSLAD) move that COED softball to remain 5 men and 5 women on the field.

PASSED.

SBDB2019-07:

I, Mack Weyers (seconded OCD) move that reconsider the motion of WAD's motion (SBDB2019-05) of 5 men and 5 women on the field.

With Amended: I, OCD (seconded WAD) amend to go back to the old rules in Rules & Regulations – page 23 currently.

FAILED.

SBDB2019-08:

I, OAD (seconded DAAD) move that to allow team to do 6 men vs 4 women format starting next year.

FAILED.

SBDB2019- 09:

I, OAD (seconded GSLAD) moves to use online registrations.

With Amendment: LAD (seconded WAD) moves to add softball only on OAD's motion.

CARRIED.

SBDB2019- 10:

I, OAD (seconded GSLAD) moves to remove HS information from the registration form.

With Amendment: I, DAAD (seconded CRAD) moves to replace age with DOB.

With Amendment (2): I, WAD (seconded Treasurer) moves to remove HS information but add middle name and maiden name.

CARRIED

Future/Selection of Basketball/Softball Tournament Hosts:

- 1) 2020 Basketball – OCD bid. Carried
- 2) 2020 Softball – open
- 3) 2021 Basketball - open

Announcements:

1. We need your clubs to bid for hosting future MAAD tournaments!

2. Cornhole Tournament will start right after the first round of brackets games are done! Want to sign up- come and see either Kiley Peterson (me) and Jaymes Haar! Sign up ends at 1pm on Saturday and \$20 per team!

Adjournment at 11:26pm

Respectively Submitted,
Kiley Peterson, MAAD Secretary