

### MIDWEST ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC.

# **MAAD Basketball Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

77th Annual Men & 35th Annual Women
William N. Fraser Memorial Regional Basketball Tournament
March 13th, 2022 on Zoom

# **Meeting Called to Order:**

President Charles Trumble called the meeting to order at 9:04am on March 13th, 2022 held on Zoom (Virtual Meeting)

#### **Roll Call:**

**Elected Executive Board Officers:** President Charles Trumble, Vice President Amy Adams, Secretary Kiley Peterson, Treasurer Marti Herman, Tournament Director Greg Peterson, Delegate at Large Mack Weyers

**Appointed:** None **Past Presidents:** None **Observers:** None

### **Correspondences:**

- Whitney Riney's Nomination for Officers
- Club Members Applications: Dakota Athletic Association for the Deaf (DAAD), Greater St. Louis Association for the Deaf, (GSLAD), Lincoln Association of the Deaf (LAD), MinnePaul Athletic Association of the Deaf, Olathe Club of the Deaf, Inc., Omaha Association of the Deaf (OAD), and St. Louis Black Deaf Association, (STBDA).
- Julie Morse

#### **Approvals:**

None

# **Reports of Officer(s):**

### **President Charles Trumble:**

Welcome to Lincoln for our 2022 MAAD Basketball tournament! I am looking forward to having a great tournament and seeing everyone going home with new friends and new memories. A special thanks to Lincoln Association for the Deaf for hosting this tournament! The COVID-19 pandemic disrupted our annual basketball tournament for the recent two years, so I'm thrilled we're getting back on track. I want to remind all our participants to be considerate of others and maintain safe social distances.

Despite the challenges from the pandemic, MAAD has improved for basketball registration. Our website has been renovated and successfully collected all team registrations online. This is our first

time with basketball, so we collected ideas of how to improve this registration process for the future. Our tournament director successfully live streamed round robin pool drawing as well. I still see more potential for improvement and look forward to our Delegates Meeting to keep pushing for progress to improve MAAD.

Three other regionals successfully hosted their basketball tournaments last weekend. SEAAD hosted in Spartanburg, SC with 5 women teams and 12 men teams. CAAD in Schaumburg, IL with 3 women teams and 9 men teams. SWBAD was in Pearland, TX. NWADB will be hosting their tournament this weekend in Pocatello, ID with 6 men teams. Unfortunately EAAD and FAAD canceled their tournaments due to concerns with the pandemic. NEAAD is the other regional that is not affiliated with USADB, and they canceled their 2022 basketball tournament. Meaning this weekend all other regionals are watching for results from us!

As I conclude this report, I also want to recognize the great collaboration of the Executive Board. It's been frustrating for us the past two years as we struggled to organize MAAD basketball, yet to be frustrated with the ongoing pandemic. MAAD always holds a special place in our memories. I look forward to catching up with old friends and meeting new friends during this tournament! I wish all our teams good luck!

# **Vice President Amy Adams:**

Hello, welcome back to the 2022 MAAD Basketball Tournament after being absent for 2 years! Many thanks to LAD for hosting this tournament and their work is excellent!

We had a lot of motions at softball delegates that have passed and need to be approve at this meeting so I can update the organizational document by May 1st. It should look very good and hopefully no changes for a while. I haven't received any new motion for this meeting so that's good news! Now let's have fun catching up with friends and stay safe!

## **Secretary Kiley Peterson:**

Like everyone already has said, it has been good to see MAAD back, especially the last softball tournament and now finally the basketball tournament. I have been looking forward to playing some basketball for some time now! I want to give big thanks to LAD, the committees, and our MAAD for hosting a successful tournament and I am excited to see what happens this weekend! I am also excited to see MAAD's future and hope some young adults will be running for MAAD!

## **Treasurer Marti Herman:**

Welcome to 2022 Basketball!! I'm looking forward to seeing all of you. I hope you all will enjoy your stay in Lincoln, Nebraska!

- Renew Bond Insurance for 2022-2023.
- Collected 8 registration payment forms. There are 5 men and 3 women teams. Two
- teams are from Independent teams.
- Collected 9 Club Membership renewals. 4 Clubs were submitted late.
- Updated the 2019 Basketball Financial Report due to the gym payment not paid for.
- Worked on 2020 and 2021 Softball Financial Report.
- Worked on 2019, 2020 and 2021 Annual Financial Report.

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- Made some changes on the budgetary guidelines for the fiscal year in the organization
- document. Will need to add Hall of Fame Inductee lodging part and get this done before
- May 1 st.

I will say with my heavy heart and share this news with you all that I will not re-elect the treasurer position as I will be retiring from MAAD. I love MAAD so much and have been very loyal and very faithful to MAAD all these years (yes - 18 years! Both Secretary and Treasurer position) I have been deeply involved. Although I know this will not bring me happiness, it is the right and honorable action to take this time in my life. I cherished every moments of my MAAD career as a leadership/board and it has been such a blessing to work with each of my board as teamwork tremendously!!

I will definitely think about you all and others the time we got together, worked together and love we had for each other and unwavering willingness we had to help to each other to see MAAD successful!! Love you all!!

I will miss MAAD dearly; I look forward to spending more time with my children. Traveling baseball (tournaments - spring, summer and fall), football games (fall), cheerleading (games and competitions - fall to end of winter), other busy schedule with my daughter who is in high school as a freshman and my son who is in 7th grade in middle school and ofc, my happily single life, will be a new challenge and new journey, but for my children, I will do my absolute best. To my beautiful children, thank you and I love you more than anything!! Good luck to all teams and have fun!!!

## **Board Delegate-at-Large Mack Weyers:**

It is really good to have the MAAD Basketball Tournament back after all of the craziness we went through the last two years! I've been busy being a Chairperson for the MAAD basketball tournament with LAD. All of our meetings after MAAD softball were really great, and we focused on what we needed to change to improve for MAAD because there is always room for improvement after every event!

I look forward to continuing to work with the boards to make this the best experience for everyone! The election is coming up soon, so please support and show respect to the next person who will take over this position to stay strong and make MAAD the best of all in America! Thank you!

### **Tournament Director Greg Petersen:**

Hello and welcome back to MAAD BB! It's been two years since we had our last BB tournament at Faribault in 2019!

As you all know that we'll have 3 Women's and 5 Open's (formerly Men's) participating at Lincoln, NE. While the number of teams is small, we need to remind ourselves that the pandemic is not totally gone and many people are struggling with their finances or health.

Waving hands to Lincoln Association of the Deaf (LAD) and Mack Weyers, chairperson, for being willing to host this BB tournament.

#### **Reports of Past Presidents:**

Barbara Nacarelli - 2019 basketball was my last time to see you! May the best team win! Go Big Red

### **Reports of Standing Committees:**

### Hall of Fame Committee - Tami Richardson-Nelson:

Welcome to the 77th Annual Men's and 35th Annual Women's Basketball Tournament.

I want to say a big thank you to Lincoln Association of the Deaf (LAD) for taking on the task of hosting this tournament. This is never an easy task, but you are to be commended for taking this on and accomplishing this.

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#### **Members of the current HOF committee are:**

Jack/Ann Cooper Richard McCowin Sue Held Russell Abel Matt Teter

#### 2022 Inductees are:

#### Leadership:

Scott Nelson

Melissa Nix Thomas Witt (deceased) **Athletic:** Mary Baker

Congratulations to each of the inductees. This is a true representation of what MAAD has stood for and what MAAD is known for.

Enjoy this tournament, enjoy the old/new friendship and be safe in your travels.

Budget Committee - Marti Herman: worked on budget guideline & officers lodging

Law Committee – Vice President Amy Adams: Lorrie Shank & Andrew Stone- no new motions so just keep in touch with updates of MAAD

# 2022 Basketball Chairperson - Mack Weyers:

Welcome back to 2022 MAAD Basketball! It is great to see you all here again after a long year with the pandemic! I am very grateful that every one of you can make it here today and witness this fantastic tournament this year! Lincoln Association for the Deaf, LAD, and I worked so hard to ensure everything would go smoothly and ensure our health was a priority throughout the tournament.

I am thrilled to be your chairperson for the 2022 MAAD basketball tournament! It is the first time to host MAAD under Deaf Club- LAD! What a great experience, and I learned so many things from MAAD and LAD! This tournament would not happen if it were not for our fantastic LAD board and the committee who worked so hard to find a gym during this time with COVID restrictions! It was not easy, but we collaborated with two gyms: North Star High School and Kinetic Complex Sports, to have MAAD.

With that being said, BIG thanks to all of those people, especially my parents (Lloyd and Deb Weyers), who work so hard to make this happen! You know how sometimes, even if we are grown-ups, adults still need our parent's help! I am fortunate to have their support! But hey, this is what the Deaf community and family are all about! So thank you, everyone! This is happening because of you!

To remind you to keep everyone safe and healthy, make sure we keep everything clean, be wise and respect each other! Let's play and don't forget to have FUN!

#### 2022 Softball Chairperson - Amy Adams

Appeals/Grievances: None

**Unfinished Business:** None

# **New Business:**

# **Announcements:**

• 2022 Softball

**Adjournment:** at 10:34AM.

Respectively Submitted, Kiley Peterson, MAAD Secretary