



MIDWEST ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC



MAAD Unofficial Delegates Meeting Minutes

64th Annual Open's, 41st Annual Women's, 24th Annual Mixed

John L. Buckmaster Memorial Slo-Pitch Tournament

July 14th - 16th, 2022

Grand Island, NE

Meeting Called to Order: President Charles Trumble called the meeting to order at 9:41pm at Boarders Inn & Suites at Grand Island, NE. Unofficial Delegates Meeting due to not meet Delegates Quorum

Roll Call:

Elected Executive Board Officers: President Charles Trumble, Vice President Whitney Riney, Secretary Kiley Peterson, Treasurer Amy Adams, Tournament Director Troy Shamblen, Delegate at Large Mack Weyer

Delegates: None.

Appointed: None

Past Presidents: None

Observers: Jonathan Areagta

Pledge of Allegiance - Mack Weyers

Parliamentarian - None

Silent Prayers - Michael Janecek

Approval of Agenda - Cannot due to not meeting the quorum.

Correspondences:

LAD BB 2022 Financial Report

Report of Officers:

President Charles Trumble: Welcome to Grand Island! I am looking forward to having a great tournament over this hot summer weekend in July and seeing everyone going home with new friends and new memories. MAAD is expecting five coed teams and three men teams. Our new MAAD Tournament Director struggled with the live streaming of round robin drawing, and we look to improve for the next tournament. MAAD is also integrating more technology with our tournament as schedules and results will be updated live online. Unfortunately, the pandemic is still around. I want to remind all our participants to be considerate of others and maintain safe social distances. I still see more potential for improvement and look forward to our next Delegates Meeting to keep pushing for progress to improve the efficiency of MAAD. Two other regions are hosting their softball tournaments. NEAAD is having their tournament this weekend at the same time as MAAD. SWSAD successfully had theirs at the end of June with several MAAD teams participating there as well. As I conclude this report, I also want to

recognize the great team work of our Executive Board. Chairperson Amy Adams particularly put in incredible effort getting this coordinated. They are a terrific group with talent and dedication, eager 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 Whitney Riney: First time being here as a MAAD officer, thank you for your patience with me. We, the Board, worked hard to make this tournament successful and are growing up now as a new Board. My goal is to improve the bylaws to make it more clear and make the tournaments more successful.

Secretary Kiley Peterson: Welcome to MAAD. I hope this tournament weekend will be successful! It'll be hot so drink a lot of water! Been working on the website, cleaning up files, and bringing MAAD into a technology world! I hope we will have online payments for our tournaments shortly!

Treasurer Amy Adams: I finally got the files from our previous Treasurer, seems still missing some files so will take care of that soon after the softball tournament. As after the tournament, I will be working on the financial reports and online payments for non-profit organizations.

Tournament Director Troy Shamblen: I cannot explain how much to say thanks to Amy Adams and the board to plan and to host a successful softball tournament! I am still learning but thanks to a great Board. I plan to work on the audiograms/diplomas and how to organize that better.

Board Delegate At Large Mack Weyers: It's great to see you all again. Hope you all are having a great summer! I will make this short and sweet! Since March, we have been working with two new officials. We have done a great job and are learning every day! Our 2022 MAAD Softball Chairperson and treasurer, Amy Adams, did such a wonderful job hosting this year and worked tirelessly to make this a success with little help from us. Please give her a big hand wave for all of her hard work! Just want to mention a few housekeeping items-Drink plenty of water, Clean up the benches after you get done playing, Please keep track of your children, Sportsmanship, Most importantly have respect for yourself and others and HAVE FUN!!! Thank you!

Report of Committees:

Budget Committee: Still struggling because Bylaws say that committee members must be local. Still looking.

Law Committee: Committee is doing great, they work together really well. Cody McEvoy and Candice Areagta are on the committee.

Report of Tournament Chairs:

2022 Softball Chairperson: Refer to 2022 Players Council's Meeting Minutes for 2022 Softball Chairperson's Report.

Appeals or Grievances: None reported

Update on USADB:

1. The USADB will see college cagers participating this coming April. Soon, an Ad Hoc committee will be established to develop firm guidelines to propose at our next EC

- meeting, likely in September. If any of you are interested on serving on the Ad Hoc Committee, please let Kristina, our secretary and myself know as soon as possible. I believe Paige, our Deputy Commissioner, will head this up.
2. Another Ad Hoc committee will be set to ensure that the USADB as a stand-alone organization will be able to grant official certification to our basketball referees. If interested, go through the same process as above.
 3. I am not sure how the Deaf Prep landscape will be next winter. The Mason-Dixon is tottering on the brink of disbanding/downsizing. The ESDAA is now three tournaments but unconfirmed rumors are swirling that they will become two. The WSBC and GPSD will return. The Clerc Classic as of today, will be held at the California School for the Deaf (Fremont). However, I hope to have the USADB to have a booth/table at at least two tournaments to promote the USADB. I am hoping if the tournament falls within a region - that the region will be happy to share a booth/table with us. Remember, together - we can help spread awareness of our club system amongst the youth so they have something to look forward to beyond graduation.

Unfinished Business: Cannot - not met quorum

New Business: Cannot - not met quorum

2023 Tournaments: 2023 Basketball - Haven't decided where. 2023 Softball more likely in Gardner KS.

Announcements

Meeting adjourned at 10:07pm

Respectively submitted,
Kiley Peterson, Secretary