# **SDAD Board meeting**

Held at Sioux Falls Public Library Caille Branch Meeting Room December 9, 2023

The SDAD Board meeting came to order at 1:09 PM with the following Board members:
President Tanya Miller, Vice-president Ashley Cain, Secretary David Dahle;
Treasurer Kevin Barber; At-large members: Tim Jackson, John Timmer, Mark Koterwski and Patty Kuglitsch. Callista Anderson was present via Zoom.

Approximately 12 SDAD members and guests were present in person and via Zoom.

## Agenda:

Patty Kuglitsch (Kevin Barber) moved to approve the agenda as distributed. Carried.

## **Minutes of September meeting:**

John Timmer (Patty Kuglitsch) moved to approve the minutes as read. Carried.

### **Ratifications of Email votes in October:**

Mark Koterwski (Kevin Barber) moved to ratify the motion from October 11 as read. Carried.

Mark Koterwski (Ashley Cain) moved to ratify the motion from October 19 as read. Carried.

Mark Koterwski (Patty Kuglitsch) moved to ratify the motion from October 29 as corrected ('co-chair' typo). Carried.

## **Treasurer's audited statements:**

Copies of the Balance and General Ledger for June through November 2023 were shared with the Board. The auditors have reviewed and accepted the reports.

## **Public Input:**

Reggie Anderson wondered if SDAD would consider the possibility of SDAD renting a van to take interested people to the Deaf Nation Expo in Minneapolis April 13, 2024.

# Officer and Board reports:

### **President:**

Two more committee chairs have been selected and need Board approval: Lance Sigdestad (Education) and Sonny Rasmussen (Finance).

The Finance chair was already handled via Email vote.

SDAD's office space lease at Simpson is due for renewal on March 13,2024. Starting March 14, the lease rate will increase by \$20 to \$800 a month due to property tax and utilities.

We need to resume the search for a new location, and we should either establish a taskforce for this purpose or assign this task to a current standing committee, such as Finance.

We still need someone who is willing to be the Games Committee chair.

Patty Kuglitsch (Callista Anderson) moved to approve Lance Sigdestad as Education Committee chair. Carried.

### **Vice-President:**

The SDAD Holiday Party is set to be held at the Grand Falls Casino on December 10th (tomorrow) from 11AM – 2PM, and is sponsored by Global Technical Communications / ASL Anywhere. 142 people have submitted RSVPs, and there will be door prizes and a prize for best holiday-themed attire. Candy / goodie bags will also be available for the children as in the past.

The next event will be the SDAD Super Bowl Party on February 11, 2024. Location TBD (We are currently looking at having it at Let it Fly – formerly Bracco; still checking)

Other events in the pipeline – Spring BBQ and car wash on May 4, 2024, SDAD Halloween Party on October 11, 2024, and the next SDAD Holiday Party will be December 7, 2024.

Secretary: No report

#### Treasurer:

SDAD has 209 members now!

The Quickbooks Online subscription has been obtained, and data has been migrated to the cloud. The only thing missing is the Budget vs. Actual comparison report, and Kevin will reach out to Quickbooks support to see if a custom report can be developed.

Still need to complete the transition of the account at Service First FCU, and it has to be done in-person at their location.

Interpreting costs for Tim Jackson will be covered by State of South Dakota for non-ADA interpreting, so the motion for purchasing a big-screen TV is on hold pending further discussion.

SDAD membership dues are to be collected between January 1 and March 5, 2024, but need to determine whether to reach out to members electronically through Quickbooks or with printed form by mail.

Mark Koterwski had a question; now that SDAD has over 200 members, he believes it may entitle us to have three delegates at the NAD Conference? Kevin will check.

**Board member reports: none** 

# **Committee reports:**

## Accessibility (Angela Ellman):

Two potential candidates for the committee are submitted to the Board for approval: Tim Jackson and Pat Anderson-O'Neill.

Angela would also like to think about submitting a proposal to the State of South Dakota to produce ASL videos for ballot questions before the 2024 elections.

Patty Kuglitsch (Ashley Cain) moved to submit a proposal to State of SD to produce ASL videos for the 2024 elections. Carried.

Mark Koterwski (Patty Kuglitsch) moved to approve Tim Jackson and Pat Anderson-O'Neill as members of the Accessibility Committee. Carried.

# **Deaf Cultural Heritage Center (Scott Miller):**

A long list of obituaries has now been uploaded to the SDAD website. With Mark Johnson's passing, Scott is, for now, the only member on the committee. He would also like to find a date soon to go through the archive rooms so we can determine the next step for the items in the rooms. Scott also wants more volunteers to help him with Past Perfect.

Patty Kuglitsch wondered about the status of the \$14K allocated for scanning etc. Scott responded that he would like to do the clean-out / reorganizing first before we proceed with that.

## **Governance (Larry Puthoff):**

The committee has not met since the last Board meeting, but wanted to know what the SDAD Board wants to do regarding the Games policy as the committee currently has no chair.

## **Public Relations (Scott Miller):**

Taking on this role has been a learning experience; have begun adding content to the SDAD website starting with obituaries and some upcoming events. Perhaps some Board members should be trained in the use of the Email system in case he is not available at short notice.

# **Unfinished business (none):**

### **New Business:**

- 1. Ashley Cain (Patty Kuglitsch) moved to assign new SDAD location taskforce to the Finance committee.
- 2. Mark Koterwski (Callista Anderson) amended to do a survey before taskforce begins it work. Amendment and main motion carried.
- 3. Patty Kuglitsch (Mark Koterwski) moved that the Accessibility Committee do a survey to help it set its goals and priorities. Carried.

Mark Koterwski requested a 5-minute recess at 2:15, meeting resumed at 2:25.

4. Mark Koterwski (John Timmer) moved that the Board gather at Simpson on February 17, 2024 to go through SDAD's museum items.

Patty Kuglitsch (David Dahle) amended that we gather on January 20, 2024 or other date to be determined instead.

Ashley Cain (Tim Jackson) amended that we meet on BOTH January 20, 2024 AND February 17, 2024. Amendments and main motion carried.

- 5. Patty Kuglitsch (Mark Koterwski) moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Carried.
- 6. Mark Koterwski (Kevin Barber) moved to close New Business. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted, David Dahle