

Nebraska School for the Deaf Alumni Association
(NSDAA) Business Meeting
At Comfort Inn in Omaha, NE
On July 21-23, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 AM.

The minutes from 2012 meeting were read and approved.

President's Report – Amy Willman

- She has been doing Tidbits every 6 months as she promised and one more for the conference.
- NSDAA hosted events listed
 - Baseball Fever – June 2013
 - Hard Man (movie) – February 2014
 - NSDAA Picnic – July 2014
 - NSDAA Conference/Reunion – July 2016
- She did vlog
 - She introduced herself as NSDAA President
 - Used it for tidbits
 - Announced Baseball Fever
 - Announced Hard Man
 - Registration form for the conference
 - Spirit dress code for the banquet during the conference
- NSDAA bought two (2) banners for events – one small and one large

Vice President's Report – James Petersen

- He was a chairperson for NSDAA Picnic in July 2014 and it was successful.
- He and the Board reviewed and worked on bylaws
- He was a co-chairperson for NSDAA Conference/Reunion

Secretary's Report – Brenda Chappell

- She has been typing minutes from meetings.
- She keeps updated on members' contact information – only a few changes.
- She cleans up and reorders folders in the computer in preparing to give to the new secretary.
- She is preparing binders – one for the archives at the museum and another for new secretary.

Treasurer's Report – Daniel Darnall

- Robert Chadwick resigned for personal reasons. Daniel was appointed by the Board.
- The past funds were:
 - General- \$2,119.40
 - Reunion- \$5,052.06
 - Memorial- \$243.52
 - Museum- \$0
- The current balance is:
 - General Fund- \$7,414.98
 - Merrill Lynch- \$19,701.68 (closed on September 30, 2015)
 - Remaining Balance- \$27,116.66
- NSDAA put investment of \$12,000 to Merrill Lynch at the beginning. See below.

\$12,000 was what NSDAA first opened an account with the Merrill Lynch.				
Nebraska School for the Deaf Alumni Association, Inc.				
General Fund	8917.47	/ 12,000	=	74.31225%
Memorial Fund	38.52	/ 12,000	=	0.321%
Reunion Fund	1,504.00	/ 12,000	=	12.5333333%
SUB TOTAL =	10,459.99	/ 12,000	=	87.1665833%
Note: The subtotal, after add each funds, is showing that NSDAA owns 87.1665833% of \$12,000.				
Nebraska Deaf Heritage Museum and Cultural Center				
Museum Fund	1,540.01	/ 12,000	=	12.8334167%
SUB TOTAL =	1,540.01	/ 12,000	=	12.8334167%
Note: The figure under the Museum Fund is showing that Nebraska Deaf Heritage Museum and Cultural Center owns 12.8334167% of \$12,000.				
NSDAA	10,459.99	/ 12,000	=	87.1665833%
MUSEUM	1,540.01	/ 12,000	=	12.8334167%
TOTAL =	12,000			100%
After received the check of \$19,701.68 that was when NSDAA has decided to close an account with Merrill Lynch, please see next page on what percentage/amount NSDAA and Museum should receive.				
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- NSDAA has \$19,701.68 after closing the investment.

The check of \$19,701.68 is what NSDAA got after the board members decided to close an account the Merrill Lynch.										
Nebraska School for the Deaf Alumni Association, Inc.										
	Amount after closed an account with Merrill Lynch	Then time by %; please see page 1 of % under each funds	=	This is amounts what NSDAA should receive						
General Fund	19,701.68	x 74.31225%	=	14,640.76						
Memorial Fund	19,701.68	x 0.321%	=	63.24						
Reunion Fund	19,701.68	x 12.5333333%	=	2,469.28						
SUBTOTAL =				\$17,173.28						
<i>Note: This figure is showing that NSDAA shall receive the amount of \$17,173.28.</i>										
Nebraska Deaf Heritage Museum and Cultural Center										
	Amount after closed an account with Merrill Lynch	Then time by %; please see page 1 of % under the museum fund	=	This is an amount what Museum should receive						
Museum Fund	19,701.68	x 12.8334167%	=	2,528.40						
SUBTOTAL =				\$2,528.40						
<i>Note: This figure is showing that Nebraska Deaf Heritage Museum & Cultural Center shall receive the amount of \$2,528.40.</i>										
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Museum	\$2,528.40									
Grand Total =	\$19,701.68									
Those figures were calculated by Robert A. Chadwick.										
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Trustee's Report – Lori Aquila

- The trustees have checked the funds and everything is in order.

Historian's Report – Lindsay Darnall, Jr.

- Past actions
 - 2009 Conference/Reunion – The name of the museum was approved to change from Nebraska School for the Deaf Museum to Nebraska Deaf Heritage Museum and Cultural Center (NDHMCC).
 - 2012 Conference/Reunion – the members of NSDAA approved for the museum to establish its own tax status and board.
- The NDHMCC's mission is to preserve and promote the culture, history, heritage and the language of Deaf and Hard of Hearing people in Nebraska through education, dissemination of materials, exhibits, program, activities and interpretations.
- Restructuring
 - Developed Bylaws and Article of Incorporation

- Approved by Nebraska Secretary of State
- Applied for IRS 501(c)(3) status
- Approved by Internal Revenue Service
- Board structure
 - It is still ongoing.
 - Current Board- Daniel R. Darnall, Jonathan Scherling, Linsay Darnall, Jr.
- Future Actions
 - Open Bank Account
 - Seek Institute of Museum and Libraries Service grant
 - Nebraska Department of Tourism
 - State of Nebraska 150th Anniversary Grant
 - Conduct Museum evaluations
 - Internship Opportunities
- Ultimate goals
 - Buy land
 - Own building
 - Independent/ Assisted Living for Deaf Seniors
 - School for the Deaf

Old Business

Joan McCowin moves that for the next reunion, we have a comprehensive yearbook from 1869 to 1998 that will be part of the combo registration package. Seconded by Lori Aquila. Passed. Ongoing.

Jerry Siders amends to add either/or CD/DVD to yearbook. Ed Reitz seconded. Passed. Ongoing.

Richard McCowin amends to sell CD/DVD/yearbook only. Seconded by Glenda Haefner. Passed. Ongoing.

Bylaws Proposals

Linsay Darnall Jr. made a motion for: Article III.

Strike “and Historian.” From Section 1 and “except Historian,” from Section 4.

Proposed amendment:

Section 1 – “The officers of the Association shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.”

Section 4 – “The officers shall be elected on the second day of the Association’s....”

Seconded by Richard McCowin. Passed.

Linsay Darnall Jr. made a motion for: Article IV, Section 4.
Strike “The Treasurer shall be responsible overseeing the financial aspects of the museum program.”
Seconded by Richard McCowin. Passed.

Linsay Darnall Jr. made a motion for: Article IV, Section 5.
Strike the whole section.
Seconded by Richard McCowin. Passed.

Linsay Darnall Jr. made a motion for: Article V, Section 2-B.
Strike the whole thing and strike “, History Preservation,” in section 1.
Seconded by Richard McCowin. Passed.

Richard McCowin made a motion for: Article II.
Strike “3. Student” from Section 1.
Strike “Student” from Section 3 and replace with “Associate.”
Seconded by Daniel Darnall. Passed

Linsay Darnall Jr. made a motion for: Article V, Section 2-C.
Move the whole section to Secretary’s duties under Article IV Section 3.
Seconded by Richard McCowin. Passed.

James Petersen moves to approve the bylaws as whole. Seconded by Franky Ramont.
Passed.

New Business

Louise Bodnar moves that the NSDAA initiate the Sesquicentennial Celebration of Deaf People in Nebraska in 2019 in collaboration with the Nebraska Deaf Heritage Museum and Cultural Center along with other interested stakeholders. Seconded by Kay Darnall.
Passed.

Rita Johnson makes a motion to have NSDAA donate 2% of the member registration to NDHMCC. Seconded by Lori Aquila. Passed.

Peggy Scherling makes a motion to rescind the motion of donating 2% to NDHMCC.
Second by Franky Ramont. Passed.

Richard McCowin moves to suspend Bylaws Article VI – Conference Section 1 for the purpose of next NSDAA Conference in 2019 instead of 2020. Seconded by Franky Ramont. Passed.

Linsay Darnall Jr moves to have caucus for 30 minutes to discuss the fund from Merrill Lynch. Richard McCowin seconded. Passed.

Linsay Darnall Jr. moves that we take \$10,000.00 from Merrill Lynch fund and give that amount to NDHMCC. Seconded by Lori Aquila. Passed.

Franky Ramont proposes that we open a reserved account of \$5000.00 in NSDAA account. Seconded by Peggy Scherling. Passed.

Resolutions

Nebraska Association of the Deaf - donation

Lincoln Association of the Deaf - donation

Omaha Association of the Deaf – donation

Daniel R. Darnall – pay rent to NDHMCC

Conference committees – volunteering

Outgoing officers - services

Amy Willman – services and volunteering

Comfort Inn – services

Trustees - services

Jerry Siders - photograph

Omaha Police – support deaf community

Members – attending conference/reunion

Recess at 2:07 PM on July 22, 2016.

The meeting is resumed at 9:20 AM on July 23, 2016.

Elections

Linsay Darnall Jr. made a motion to nominate and approve by acclamation; Amy Willman, president; Rita Johnson, vice-president; Lori Aquila, secretary; and Diane Higgins, Treasurer. Seconded by Norma Nelson. Passed

Secretary Brenda Chappell cast her ballot for the abovementioned officers.

Joe Bloemer and Larry Johnson were nominated to fill in two vacant Trustee seats.

Richard McCowin moved that both nominees were approved by acclimation. Seconded by Richard Belgram. Passed.

Secretary Brenda Chappell cast her ballot for Joe Bloemer and Larry Johnson as Trustees.

New NSDAA Board of Directors for 2016-2019

President: Amy Willman

Vice-President: Rita Johnson

Secretary: Lori Aquila

Treasurer: Diane Higgins

Trustees: Harry Lee, Joe Bloemer and Larry Johnson.

Sine die at 9:35 AM.

Announcements

Linsay Darnall Jr. and Richard McCowin are elected to be Region II Representatives for National Association of the Deaf.

NeAD got a State of Excellence award from NAD.

Linsay Darnall Jr. got a Spirit of NAD award.

Tricia Tighe got a job at Arkansas School for the Deaf.

Necrology Report

Martha M. Friesen	Employee; houseparent in 1960's
Iola Mae (Price) Cosner	Student; Class of 1948
Eleanor Quill-Chrisman	Employee; teacher from 1996-1998
Barbara A. Herting	Employee; teacher from 1976 to 1996
Marcella Nadie Rivera-Justinich	Student; from 1967 to 1974
Rita Ann Lloyd Slater	Student; Class of 1947
Dorothy Carroll Tate-Wichman	Student; Class of 1954
Marcella S. Connor	Employee; teacher from 1960 to 1978
Glenda Rose Haefner	Student; from 1946 to 1965
Mary Ann (Klein) Carlson	Student; Class of 1963
Joel David Enstrom	Student; Class of 1972
Darlene Luella (Anderson) Smith	Student; Class of 1955
Otto Gross	Student; Class of 1940
Howard E. Costello	Student; Class of 1939
Allen Lee Jackson	Student; from 1946 to 1959
Harold W. Schulz	Student; Class of 1945
Jack W. Petska	Student; Class of 1973
Thomas "Tom" Weverka	Student; Class of 1966
Marie Elizabeth Wilson	Student; from 1947 to 1956
Clint "Pete" Wilber	Employee; in 1950's
Gary Nash	Student; Class of 1967
Edward Revers	Student; Class of 1969
Leonard Ivins	Student; Class of 1966
Robert Mjeldheim	Employee; houseparent in 1970's
Frances Mae (Haak) White	Student; from 1934 to 1937
Tillman L. "Lee" Whitt	Student; from 1947-1957
Richard A. Harrison	Student; from 1958-1966
Delbert Boese	Student; Class of 1951

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Chappell, Secretary