

**Nebraska School for the Deaf Alumni Association  
(NSDAA) General Meeting  
At Comfort Inn in Omaha, NE  
On July 18-20, 2019**

**The meeting was called to order at 9:18 AM.**

The minutes from 2016 meeting were read and approved.

**President's Report – Amy Willman**

- Tidbits, every 6 months; December and June
- Send emails and Vlogs to members related to NSDAA news, obituaries, etc...
- Ordered and mailed two Hall of Fame Plaques; Jack Gannon and Kyle Miers
- NSD Senior Pictures USB Project (with Diane Higgins)
- Necrology (with Peggy Scherling)
- NSDAA 150<sup>th</sup> Conference/Reunion Chairperson- July 2019

**Vice President's Report – Rita Johnson**

- Handled the bylaws change proposals
- NSDAA 150<sup>th</sup> Conference/Reunion- Registration Chairperson- July 2019

**Secretary's Report – Peggy Scherling**

- Type minutes from meetings
- Write donation letters
- Write Thank You letters to Donators
- Necrology (with Amy Willman)

**Treasurer's Report – Diane Higgins**

- NSD Senior Pictures USB Project (with Amy Willman)
- Fill out Federal and State taxes
- Webmaster (NSDAA1901.org)
- Send emails to members related to NSDAA news, obituaries, etc...

## **2016**

Opening balance as of 9/20/2016: **\$6,907.15**

Income:

Membership Dues: \$20.00

Carry over income: \$17,106.76

Total Income: **\$17,126.76**

Expenses:

Purchased box of checks: \$45.39

Flowers for George Collins' funeral: \$84.90

Total Expenses: **-\$130.29**

Balance for 2016: **\$23,903.62**

## **2017**

Opening balance: **\$23,903.62**

Income:

Membership Dues: \$20.00

USB Orders: \$765.00

Total Income: **\$785.00**

Expenses:

Donation to Sleepy Lion Foundation for NSDAA website: \$50.00

Nebraska State filing fee: \$23.00

ARC Company for scanning our senior pictures: \$1,132.10

Comfort Inn – RSVP for 2019 Conference: \$100.00

Total Expenses: **-\$1,305.10**

Balance for 2017: **\$23,383.52**

## **2018**

Opening balance: **\$23,383.52**

Income:

Donations: \$1,141.70

Membership Dues: \$80.00

USB Orders: \$180.00

Reimbursement: \$12.00

Total Income: **\$1,413.70**

Expenses:

USB Senior Pictures Expenses: \$540.83

Two Award Plaques Expenses: \$222.31

Donation to Sleepy Lion Foundation for NSDAA website: \$50.00

Dynamic Air DJ Farley Half deposit for conference: \$450.00

Postage stamps for mailing Conference registrations: \$100.00

Other expenses: \$27.00

Total Expenses: **-\$1,390.14**

Balance for 2018: **\$23,407.08**

## **2019**

Opening Balance: **\$23,407.08**

Income:

Donations: \$1,005.00

Membership Dues: \$360.00

NSD150 Conference: \$11,120.00

Total Income: **\$12,485.00**

Expenses:

Federal and State filing processing fees: \$62.95

Refund on overpayment: \$20.00

22 laminated posters: \$203.29

Decorations for conference: \$154.83

Staples – 2 posters: \$34.13

Sam's Club – popcorns for NSDAA 150<sup>th</sup>: \$38.94

Wal-Mart – games for NSDAA 150<sup>th</sup>: \$59.90

Ordered wristbands: \$178.01

Ordered plastic cups: \$172.27

Total Expenses: **-\$924.32**

Balance as of 7/12/2019: **\$34,967.76**

**Trustee's Report – Harry Lee**

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

**Old Business** (none)

## **Bylaws Proposals**

A motion for: Article VIII- Dissolution    Section: 1    Page: 8

- 1) I, Patti Reitz (seconded by Lori Aquila) move to change bylaws in case of dissolution of the organization that the monies be divided into different organizations such as cancer research, deaf churches, etc. and not the lump sum be given to NSDAA Cultural Center and Museum.

**Out of Order.**

- 2) I, Patti Reitz (seconded by Lori Aquila) move in case of disclosure of NSDAA that to the remaining monies not to be given to NSDAA Cultural Center and Museum in in one lump sum but divided to organizations that serve the deaf as determined by the board.

Linsay Darnall Jr amended (seconded by Julie Dahlke) the remaining monies to be divided and given to Nebraska Deaf Heritage Museum and Cultural Center and Nebraska organizations that serve the deaf as determined by the board.

**Passed.**

## **New Business**

- 1) I, Patti Reitz (seconded by Lori Aquila) moves to change bylaws to move NSDAA Cultural Center and Museum back to NSDAA governing group (members).

**Failed.**

- 2) I, Marlene (Voss) Finley (seconded by Shirley Fuller), moves that membership dues should be separated from registration fee for conference. The reasons are that the spouses who don't graduated from NSD as they did graduate from other states. They don't know who NSDAA. And also some people can't afford both registration and dues. And membership dues are up to them who want to join.

**Tracy Ivins moved to referred to bylaws. Seconded by Linsay Darnall, Jr.**

- 3) I, Linsay Darnall, Jr. (seconded by Robert Rewolinski) moves a resolution:

Whereas the Nebraska School for the Deaf was established in 1867 and opened its door in April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1869 to educate the Deaf children in the state of Nebraska.

Whereas the long effect impact of the school on the existence of Nebraska Deaf Community, the history, and ASL has been tremendous.

Whereas since the school has been closed since June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1998 however the closure didn't have an impact on the Deaf Community.

Whereas the fact to the Deaf Community continue to exist and the Nebraska Deaf history is continually being written.

Let's be resolved that the Nebraska School for the Deaf Alumni Association mark this occasion to recognize and honor the 150 years of the Nebraska Deaf Community, history, culture, and ASL.

**Passed.**

- 4) I, Larry Johnson (seconded by Rita Johnson) moves that NSDAA to be held every 3 years instead of 5 years due to many of us are getting older and not many younger members.

**Referred to bylaws.**

### **Resolutions**

Committees of NSDAA

Amy Willman- Chairperson for NSDAA 150<sup>th</sup> Conference/Reunion

NSDAA boards

Comfort Inn and Suites

Members for coming to NSDAA

Jerry Siders for doing so much for NSD- pictures

Amy Potter for registration booth

**Recess at 11:30 PM on July 19, 2019.**

**The meeting is resumed at 9:30 AM on July 20, 2019.**

Linsay Darnall Jr moved to vote all officers listed below by ACL. Teena Eaton seconded.

Voted & passed. Yes – 49, no - 7

**Elections: New NSDAA Board of Directors for 2019-2024**

President: Amy Willman

Vice-President: Rita Johnson

Secretary: Peggy Scherling

Treasurer: Mike Friesen

Trustees: Larry Johnson, Lori Aquila (35), Ruth Ann Boese (14)

**Sine dies at 10:30 AM.**

**Announcement**

Rita Johnson- Raffle for leggings with ILY hand shapes and hearts.

**Necrology Report**

1. Bud Emil Von Ohlen; Class of 1950
2. John Sipp; Student
3. George Collins; Principal and Superintendent
4. William Mauk; Class of 1953
5. Eugene Cook; Class of 1944
6. Richard Tager; Class of 1952
7. Vivian Barker; Class of 1951
8. Joseph N. "Bud" Schmitz; Class of 1958
9. Frances E. Campbell; Class of 1948
10. Shirley Marringer; Class of 1955
11. John D. Horky; Class of 1970
12. Mary K. Kimmons; Teacher
13. Lawrence "Larry" Davis; Class of 1976
14. William "Bill" Ivins; Class of 1964
15. Verne Taylor; Class of 1955
16. Frederick Charles Riley; Class of 1966
17. Joanne Workman; Interpreter
18. Frank Greise; Coordinator of Residential Services

19. Beverly Steskal; Student
20. Kenneth Eurek; Class of 1969
21. JoAnn Beery; Student
22. Jerald R. Wilson; Student
23. Jeff McGuire; Class of 1981
24. Larry Cahill; graduated 1956
25. Dennis Lee Day; Student
26. Audrey Fink Jeck; Class of 1948
27. Eunice McKain; Student
28. Marilyn (Anthony) Ruiz; Class of 1953
29. Ingrid (Wolters) Herkelrath; Student
30. Helen Lorain Kuhl; Student
31. William "Bill" Davis; Class of 1962
32. Joanna Marie (Prussia) Sauter; Student
33. Pam (Rentschler) Hill; Student
35. Colleen Towey Clements Schwisow; Class of 1969

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Chappell, Secretary Pro-Tem