

# MIDWEST ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC.

**MAAD Board of Delegates Meeting Minutes**  
**50th Annual Men's, 27th Annual Women's and 10th Annual Co-ed's**  
**John L. Buckmaster Memorial Regional Softball Tournament**  
**Friday, July 25, 2008**  
Hosted by MAAD  
Council Bluffs, IA

## **Meeting Called to Order**

Commissioner Paige Thompson-Matzker called the meeting to order at 8:06 a.m. at Country Inn & Suites in Council Bluffs, IA

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

Deputy Commissioner performed the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Roll Call of Officers: Executive Board Officers, Past Presidents, Tournament Chairs and Delegates**

Commissioner Paige Thompson-Matzker, Deputy Commissioner Barbara Nacarelli, Treasurer Jeff Eccles, Tournament Director Greg Petersen, Hall of Fame Matt Teter, Immediate Past President Jack Cooper

Past President Arthur Nelson, Past President Wayne Morse

2008 Softball Liaison Lorrie Shank, 2009 Basketball Chair Lynda Collicot, 2009 Softball Chair Tami Waddell

Council Bluffs Silent Club Tim Miller, Greater Columbia Association of the Deaf Bradley Vickers, Denver Silent Club of Denver Tony Passarelli, Greater Kansas City Association of the Deaf Karole Rogers, Lincoln Association of the Deaf Larry Johnson, MinnePaul Association of the Deaf Jamey Guille, Olathe Club of the Deaf Melissa Nix, Omaha Association of the Deaf Troy Shamblen, Greater St. Louis Association of the Deaf Scott Reekers, Sioux Falls Association of the Deaf Heidi Branch, St. Louis Bell Club Rene Schoeffler, Wichita Association of the Deaf Chris Heiman

Parliamentarian Linsay Darnell, Jr, Pro-Tem Jason Roberts and Paige Garrison

## **Communications: Secretary (letters, information's, etc.)**

- Received bid letter and check from St. Louis Bell Club to host 2011 Softball Tournament
- Received 2008 SFAD Basketball Financial Report

## **Approvals**

- Approval of 2008 MAAD Basketball Minutes Report: **PASSED** with corrections
  - Corrections: 2008 Sioux Falls Board of Delegates – MBD2 – should be Championship and Museum fund
- Approval of 2008 SFAD/MAAD Basketball Financial Report: **PASSED**

## **Reports of Officers**

### **Commissioner Paige Thompson-Matzker**

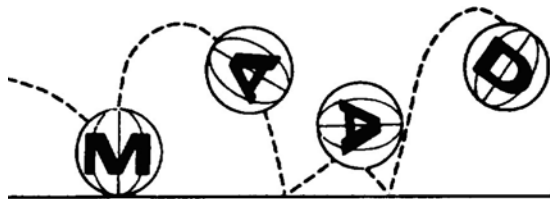
See report in Executive Board Meeting Minutes

BDM1: Wayne Morse moved to accept the conduct and harassment policy as read. Seconded. PASSED.

### **Deputy Commissioner Barbara Nacarelli**

See report in Executive Board Meeting Minutes

- Presented a pop quiz to delegates



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- Explained the concept and duties of the Bylaw Committee
- Explained NSAD dialogue where they thought our bylaws were not updated which they are
- Discussed about CODA issue – MAAD and CAAD do not allow CODA.
- Discussed two team registration form issue

## **Secretary Vacant**

See report in Executive Board Meeting Minutes

## **Treasurer Jeff Eccles**

See report in Executive Board Meeting Minutes

- Discussed about financial report extension due to committee members being from different states

BDM2: Wayne Morse moved that MAAD Board appoint 3 auditors from 3 different cities instead of 3 auditors from one same city. Seconded. **PASSED**

- Questioned and explained the Florida Basketball situation. Summary was that there was a suspended player on USADB which MAAD suspended and was allowed to play during the tournament. Wayne talked with USADB to allow that suspended player be a fan, not a coach. However during tournament, it was said that he did come out as a team when 'shaking' hands. Investigation started – felt there was a lot of miscommunication between the team and people involved.

## **Tournament Director Greg Petersen**

See report in Executive Board Meeting Minutes

## **Hall of Fame Director Matt Teter**

See report in Executive Board Meeting Minutes

## **Reports of Past President**

### **Immediate - Jack Cooper**

See report in Executive Board Meeting Minutes

### **Wayne Morse**

Shared that his last term as President/Commissioner was at Basketball Tournament in Sioux Falls, then became Secretary. Resigned from Secretary duty as felt it wasn't his specialty. However, enjoying the tournament as a fan.

### **Arthur Nelson**

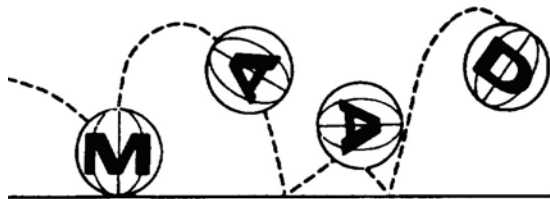
No report

**Ray Kilthau, Paul Hrabovsky, Greg Desrosiers and Joe Carrico** - Not present

## **Reports of Tournament Chairs**

### **MAAD 50<sup>th</sup> Softball Chair (MAAD) – Jeff Eccles**

- Explained about the banquet procedure; there will be other events going on at the same time. Paige Thompson-Matzker and Jeff Eccles will be informing tables when they can get their food, to control lines.
- Explained about t-shirts – those who are wearing with nothing on back are committee members. Security will have orange shirts while Tournament Runners will have green shirts.
- Reminded of the rules such as no outside food/drinks; water coolers allowed; canopies allowed
- Shared concern to give extra traveling time to get to the fields due to construction
- Stated if anyone suffers from heat stroke or feel ill during the tournament, see Red Cross immediately



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- Explained the parking situation where to park in West Parking lot.
- Suggested to wear badge at all times; only time not allowed to wear is when a person is 'playing'

## **2009 MAAD Basketball Chair (LAD) – Lynda Collicot**

- Explained about the reservation system – use the code that is on the flyer which is “MAD” due to hotel policy
- Information on flyer

## **2009 MAAD Softball Chair (OCD) – Tami Waddell**

- Explained the situation OCD is facing with the fields they wanted; due to their decision to give to another organization that gave a donation. OCD is working to find other fields and will let us know ASAP.

## **Reports of Committee**

- a. Law Committee  
In Deputy Commissioner Report
- b. Hall of Fame Committee  
In Hall of Fame Report
- c. Finance Committee  
In Treasurer's Report
- d. Task Force Committee, Paige Thompson-Matzker
  - Explained about that the task force was formed from a proposal from Sioux Fall Basketball delegate meeting which will start after 50<sup>th</sup> MAAD softball tourney end
  - Shared the questions and financial breakdowns

## **Tournament Directors' Report, Greg Petersen**

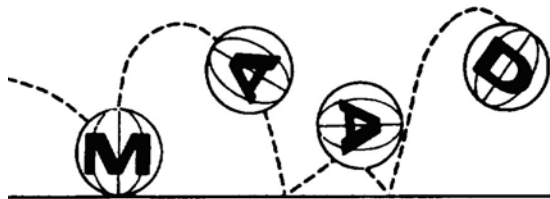
- a. Players' Council Meeting  
See Players' Council Meeting Minutes
- b. Tournament Games
  - Explained to delegates that a memo was sent to all coaches and managers that MAAD Executive Board suggested to use 55 time limit due to banquet on Saturday evening at 7 p.m.
  - Discussed about championship games being played at different times – this is in due to number of teams and make the tournament run smooth.
  - Explained about odd number teams which Men and Women experiences so one team will have to play 4 games
  - Stated that it is first time in MAAD history that we use USSSA rules
  - Discussed about the Lady Lynx team where they added a player after MAAD deadline but NSAD allowed it.

BDM3: Denver SAC moved to allow Terri Bazalweski-Austin to play in 50<sup>th</sup> MAAD tournament with Denver SAC Lady Lynx team. Seconded.

MinnePaul Association of the Deaf amended that the player be fined. Seconded. FAILED  
GSLAD amended the fine be \$50. Seconded. FAILED

Matt Teter amended that the fine should be \$100 to team, not player. Seconded. PASSED  
Barbara Nacarelli amended the team must pay the fine within 30 days at conclusion of 50<sup>th</sup> MAAD Softball tournament (August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008). Seconded. PASSED

Motion as WHOLE: Denver SAC moved to allow Terri Bazalweski-Austin to play in 50<sup>th</sup> MAAD tournament with Denver SAC Lady Lynx team, with a fine of \$100 to team, must pay fine within 30 days at conclusion of 50<sup>th</sup> MAAD Softball tournament (August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008). PASSED



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BDM4: Jeff Eccles moved that delegate accept Board's recommendation of 55 minutes game time during 50<sup>th</sup> MAAD Softball tournament. Seconded PASSED.

## Rules and Regulations: Deputy Commissioner Barbara Nacarelli

Greater St. Louis Association of the Deaf moved to vote on all except #11 and #12 to be referred to basketball delegate meeting. Seconded.

Lorrie Shank amended except #3 and #10. Seconded. **PASSED**

Motion as WHOLE: Greater St. Louis Association of the Deaf moved to vote on all except #11, #12 to be referred to basketball delegate meeting and #3, #10. **PASSED**

Lorrie Shank moved to remove "high school" in Article 5, Section 3, E. Seconded. **PASSED**

GSLAD moved to accept #3 with changes. Seconded. **PASSED**

Greg Petersen tabled #10 to bylaw committee.

1) Move "definitions" to "Definition" page before index.

**(X) Passed ( ) Failed ( ) Referred to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee**

2) Move history to "History" page before Definition page.

**(X) Passed ( ) Failed ( ) Referred to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee**

3) Article 5, Section 3: ADD "D. must be a high school graduate or obtain GED", and change the current D. to E.

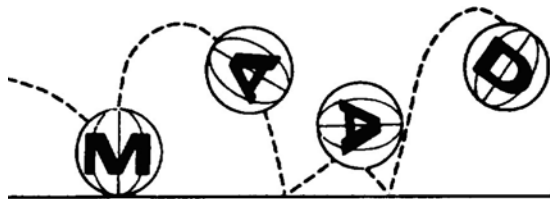
SECTION 3 QUALIFICATIONS OF PLAYER MEMBERSHIP – Any player dedicated to the purposes of the MAAD who have complied with all memberships requirement of this Association and are in good standing shall be eligible for membership on approval of the membership application by MAAD Executive Board. The following requirements for eligible first-time MAAD player is:

- A. Deaf with an audiogram (official hearing test result, performed by a state-certified audiologist along with audiologist's signature) that shows 55 decibels (db) or greater of hearing loss in both ears (effective March 1, 1998), (Refer to Article 10, Section 1, I & J, page 15)
- B. member of a bona-fide MAAD Member Club or an Independent Team Member.
- C. 17 years old or older at the time of signing up a registration form,
- D. **must be a High School graduate or obtain GED**, and
- E. not currently playing in the similar collegiate, high school and/or professional sport on the same time he/she plans to participate in MAAD tournament.

**(X) Passed ( ) Failed ( ) Referred to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee**

**Amend:**

**Lorrie Shank amended to remove "high school"**



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## 4) Article 9, Section 3, A., 3 (REMOVE)

A. ANNUAL MEETING - The meeting coinciding with the annual MAAD Basketball Tournament shall be designated the MAAD Annual Meeting for the purpose of:

1. elected officers each even-numbered year, and
2. acting on amendments to the MAAD Bylaws.
3. One of MAAD officers shall be responsible to bring the rented laptop and/or printer to the meetings at MAAD's expenses.
4. MAAD shall be responsible for the 4th night lodging for each officer as necessary in the event of lengthy meetings.

**(X) Passed ( ) Failed ( ) Referred to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee**

## 5) Article 9, Section 6, A, 1, a - "spokesman" to "spokesperson"

Old:

1. PRESIDENT/COMMISSIONER, whose duties include:
  - a. serving as the chief executive and **spokesman** of the MAAD;

Proposed:

1. PRESIDENT/COMMISSIONER, whose duties include:
  - a. serving as the chief executive and **spokesperson** of the MAAD;

**(X) Passed ( ) Failed ( ) Referred to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee**

## 6) Article 9, Section 6, A, 5, c - "purchasing" to "providing"

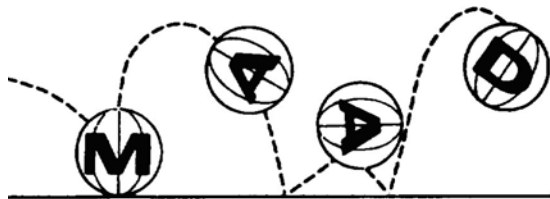
Old:

5. TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR, whose duties include:
  - a. chairing of Players Councils meetings;
  - b. visiting the tournament host club at least one year prior to Tournament date for the purpose of inspecting and approving plans, prices, and other arrangements;
  - c. **purchasing** official MAAD scorebooks;

Proposed:

5. TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR, whose duties include:
  - a. chairing of Players Councils meetings;
  - b. visiting the tournament host club at least one year prior to Tournament date for the purpose of inspecting and approving plans, prices, and other arrangements;
  - c. **providing** official MAAD scorebooks;

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7) Article 9, Section 6, 5 (TD) 2 statisticians - change to "**up to two (2)**"

Old:

e. appointing and supervising;

1. Qualified scorekeepers and spotters who shall be paid by the Host Club, to complete the record of the games, and
2. **two (2) statisticians**, who shall be paid by the MAAD, for tabulation of Tournament statistics;

Proposed:

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2. **up to two (2) statisticians**, who shall be paid by the MAAD, for tabulation of Tournament statistics;

**Passed**  **Failed**  **Referred to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee**

8) Article 9, Section 6, 7 - Remove "of the MAAD" after Past President

Old:

7. PAST PRESIDENT **of the MAAD**, whose duties include:

- a. be an observer at all MAAD meetings,
- b. performing duties as assigned by the Board of Delegates;

Proposed:

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**Passed**  **Failed**  **Referred to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee**

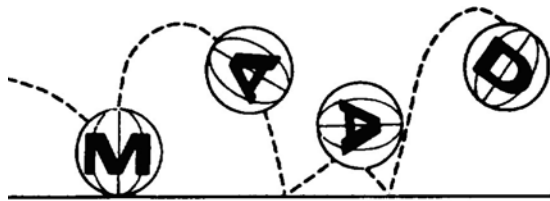
9) Insert: "**All committees must have at least one (1) per gender**" under every committee in Article 9, Section 8! :)

SECTION 8 COMMITTEES - STANDING AND SPECIAL - STANDING - Standing committee of the MAAD include:

- A. [Name] THE AUDIT COMMITTEE,
- B. [Name] THE AWARDS AND RECOGNITION COMMITTEE
- C. [Name] THE BUDGET COMMITTEE,
- D. [Name] THE BYLAWS COMMITTEE,
- [Name] THE MUSEUM-HOME OFFICE COMMITTEE
- [Name] THE GRANTS COMMITTEE

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

**Passed**  **Failed**  **Referred to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee**



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10) Article 10, Section 1, I, b

Old:  
Audiogram and/or transactions shall be sent with the team's registration forms to MAAD Treasurer, and then forward to MAAD Hall of Fame Director. (See ARTICLE 5, Section 1, g (b), above)

Proposed:  
Audiogram and/or transactions shall be sent with the team's registration forms to MAAD Treasurer, and then forward to MAAD Hall of Fame Director. (See ARTICLE 5, Section 1, g (b), above). **Failure to submit audiogram or diploma by deadline shall be fined.**

**( ) Passed ( ) Failed (X) Referred to LAW Committee**

11) Article 10, Section 2 - S. AWARDS

(Guidelines):

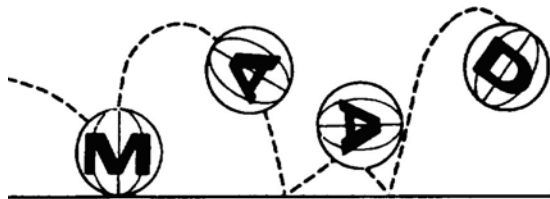
**BASKETBALL:** (Men/Women division)

- (1) First, Second, Third Place
- (2) Consolation Flight (Fifth Place)
- (3) Most Valuable Player (MVP)
- (4) Ten (10) All-Stars
- (5) Individual Sportsmanship
- (6) Team Sportsmanship
- (7) Top Scorer Champion
- (8) Rebound Champion
- (9) Assist Champion
- (10) Coach of Tournament

(Bylaws):

3. Individual award for each gender include:
  - a. One (1) Most Valuable Player (MVP);
  - b. Ten (10) All-Stars;
  - c. One (1) Individual Sportsmanship;
  - d. One (1) Top Scorer,
  - e. One (1) Rebound Champion, **and**
  - f. **One (1) Assist Champion.**

**( ) Passed ( ) Failed (X) Referred to BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**



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12) Article 10, Section 2, S. AWARDS

OLD:

4. Team awards based for each gender:

- Championship (1st);
- Runner-up (2nd);
- Third (3rd);
- Fifth (5th);**
- Team Sportsmanship; and
- Coach of Tournament.

Proposed:

4. Team awards based for each gender:

- Championship (1st);
- Runner-up (2nd);
- Third (3rd);
- Consolation Champion (Fifth (5<sup>th</sup>));**
- Team Sportsmanship; and
- Coach of Tournament.

Passed  Failed  Referred to   BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT  

13) Article 15 - Amendment:

Old:

SECTION 2 PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY/PROCEDURE - Unless covered in these MAAD Bylaws and Athletic Council Rules and Regulations, the current STANDARD CODE OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE shall govern.

Proposed:

SECTION 2 PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY/PROCEDURE - Unless covered in these MAAD Bylaws and Athletic Council Rules and Regulations, the current **edition of ROBERTS' RULES OF ORDER** shall govern.

Passed  Failed  Referred to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

14) Appendix C - replace "players" to "team members" (applies to signing the registration form)

Old:

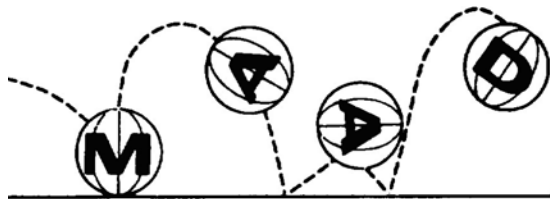
C-1 TEAM REGISTRATION - A MAAD Member Club is permitted to enter more than one (1) team in any Tournament. A team may register as many **players** as it pleases on the MAAD/naaD registration form according to the naaD regulation.

Proposed:

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Passed  Failed  Referred to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee





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## Unfinished Business

Arthur Nelson moved that delegates take no action on #1 and #2. Seconded. Arthur Nelson withdrew the motion; Seconded. **WITHDREW**

Lorrie Shank moved to accept and vote on #1. Seconded. **FAILED**

Jack Cooper moved to table all of unfinished business except #6, back to law committee. Seconded. **PASSED**

Wayne Morse moved to vote and accept #6. Seconded. **PASSED**

1) **Result – Referred back to Law Committee**

St. Louis Bell Club moved that CODA (1-men, 1-women, 2-coed) allows that help our MAAD grow in future. Seconded. REFERRED TO LAW COMMITTEE.

2) **Result – Referred back to Law Committee**

Arthur Nelson moved that a CODA player be able to participate, effective next softball tournament. Seconded. REFERRED TO LAW COMMITTEE.

3) **Result – Referred back to Law Committee**

I, Lynda Collicott, move that if a player is a drop out from high school that there is a 6 months waiting period before he/she can play on any team in MAAD. Seconded by Barbara Nacarelli. REFERRED TO LAW COMMITTEE.

4) **Result – Referred back to Law Committee**

I, James Johnson (SFAD), move that we revise Bylaws to have two officers share the same hotel room during tournaments. Seconded by Karole Rogers. REFERRED TO LAW COMMITTEE.

5) **Result – Referred back to Law Committee**

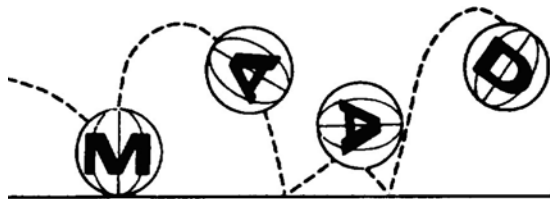
Sioux Falls Association of the Deaf move that the position of Tournament Director be split, having two people, 1 who specializes in softball and 1 who specializes in basketball. Seconded. REFERRED TO LAW COMMITTEE.

6) **Result - PASSED**

Appendix A – Guidelines for Hall of Fame Awards

A-2 AWARD CEREMONY - Awardees and inductees shall be honored at the MAAD Hall of Fame Ceremony of the Basketball Tournament or at the Grand Ballroom on Saturday of the Softball Tournament. Each awardee and inductee shall:

1. receive an approved MAAD plaque
2. have his and her name of inductee engraved on appropriate MAAD permanent plaques
3. be given a complimentary combination ticket to the Basketball or Softball Tournament by the MAAD, and
4. Be given one night lodging by the MAAD.
  - a. Reservation made by inductee for the lodging themselves
  - b. The name(s) of inductee(s) shall be on the hotel receipt. If no name, no reimburse.
  - c. Their preference of lodging choices made by inductee(s). It does not have to be at the headquarters where the officers are at. The value of the lodging shall be up to Seventy Five dollars (\$75.00).
  - d. a limit of four (4) inductees per tournament
  - e. Hotel receipt must be submitted to the MAAD Treasurer by the end of the Saturday night/entertainment or mailed to the MAAD Treasurer within 15 days after the tournament for the reimbursement.
  - f. Inductees shall not get any reimbursement if they chose to stay somewhere else such as friend's house or join as roommates with someone else under their names.



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## New Business

- Jeff Eccles moved that the MAAD President start giving the Annual State of the Region address at the Basketball Meeting as part of their duties. Seconded. **PASSED**
- Lincoln Association of the Deaf moved that MAAD follows whatever NSAD rules for how many decibels needed to play in the tournament. Seconded. **OUT OF ORDER**
- Jeff Eccles moved that we change from “both” to “one” better ear under Article 10, Tournament Section “I” 1. Players (first paragraph). Seconded. **Referred to Law Committee**
- Barbara Nacarelli moved that MAAD use two team registrations (MAAD and naaD) effectively at the next tournament. Seconded. **PASSED**
- Barbara Nacarelli moved that the MAAD board be authorized to search for a person outside of MAAD with parliamentary and bylaw expertise to assist us with language “clean up” of our Bylaws. Seconded. **PASSED**
- Tammy Waddell moved to open discussion how to solve issue on audiogram requirements for high school graduate if MAAD softball tournament is in month of June. Seconded. **PASSED**
- Sioux Falls Association of the Deaf moved that the \$1,000 tourney fee to be distributed evenly among attending clubs present at this tourney; the amount being \$100.00 each club. Seconded.  
Amendment: remove “the amount being \$100.00 each club. Seconded. **PASSED**.  
  
Motion as WHOLE: Heidi Branch move that the \$1,000 tourney fee to be distributed evenly among attending clubs present at this tourney. **FAILED**
- Wayne Morse moved that proposals and motions made and passed during softball tournaments to be effective October 1<sup>st</sup>. Seconded. **PASSED**
- Lynda Collicot moved that the word “obtain” is removed from Article 5, Section 3 (D) and replaced with “have”. Seconded. **REFERRED TO LAW COMMITTEE**
- Lorrie Shank moved that MAAD allow CODA to play in our tournament according to NSAD’s regulations. Seconded. **PASSED**
- Denver SAC moved that we move the start date of our softball tourneys from June 1<sup>st</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup> effective today. Seconded. **FAILED**

### a. **Special Election for Secretary**

Jack Cooper is the nomination chair. Tellers are Paige Garrison and Bob Westerhaus.

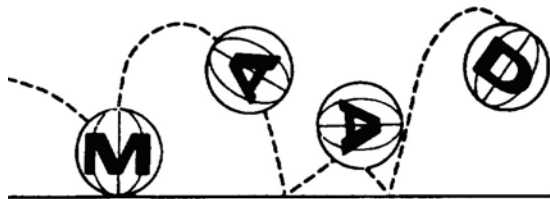
Karole Rogers and Jason Roberts submitted their interest in Secretary position. MAAD recommended Marti Herman.

Omaha Association of the Deaf nominates Traci Ivins. Traci Ivins was not present so cannot run.

Marti Herman won by majority votes (number of votes were lost after meeting).

## Selection of Softball Tournament Host

- a. 2009 Softball – Olathe Club of the Deaf (Olathe, KS)



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b. 2010 Softball – TBA

Lynda Collicot moved to continue Board of Delegates meeting after Round Robin games.  
Meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.

Meeting resumed at 10:08 p.m.

Lynda Collicot moved to have an open discussion on 2010 MAAD tournament for 10 minutes. Seconded. **PASSED**  
Discussion started at 10:24 p.m. and ended at 10:34 p.m.

Denver SAC moved that MAAD Executive Board take care of 2010 bid with the understanding to include our input of Wyoming; Waterloo, IA; past chairperson hosts; and Olathe Club of the Deaf. Seconded.

Amended to add Sioux City, IA. Seconded. **PASSED**  
Amended to insert "softball". Seconded. **PASSED**.

Motion as WHOLE: Denver SAC move that we let MAAD Executive Board take care of 2010 softball bid with the understanding to include our input of Wyoming, Waterloo, IA, past chairperson hosts, OCD, and Sioux City, IA. **PASSED**

c. 2011 Softball – St. Louis Bell Club (St. Louis, MO) **PASSED**

d. 2012 Softball – Vacant

Denver SAC moved to close bidding. Seconded. **PASSED**

## **Announcements**

Denver SAC would like everyone to attend NSAD tournament, information is on NSAD website.

Paige Thompson-Matzker thanked Linsay Darnell, Jr for his time as a parliamentarian during the meetings. In return, MAAD is to write a testimony to be posted on his website.

## **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 10:49 p.m.