



MIDWEST ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC.

MAAD Board of Delegates Meeting Minutes

71st Annual Men & 29th Annual Women William N. Fraser Memorial
Regional Basketball Tournament Friday, March 11, 2016
Hosted by Olathe Club of the Deaf
Best Western Plus-KCI East – Kansas City, Missouri

Meeting Called to Order

President Barbara Nacarelli called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m. on Friday, March 11, 2016.

Roll Call:

Elected Executive Board Officers: President Barbara Nacarelli, Vice-President Honesty Powell, Secretary Lorrie Shank and Board-at-Large Robert Lister. Absent: Treasurer Marti Herman

Appointed: Tournament Director Greg Petersen

Past Presidents: Jack Cooper and Wayne Morse

Delegates –Greater St. Louis Association of the Deaf – Marvin Haynes, Lincoln Association of the Deaf – Jonathan Arteaga, Olathe Club of the Deaf – Ann Cooper and Amy Thompson, Omaha Association of the Deaf – Candice Arteaga, and MinnePaul – Herman Fuechtmann and Ralph Fuechtmann.

Pledge of Allegiance – Barbara Nacarelli

Parliamentarian – Mike Muszynski

Silent Prayers – Adrian Bagby, Edward Revers, Gary Nash, Bradley Vickers, Jr, Leonard Ivins

Approval of Agenda –

GSLAD moved to accept the Board of Delegates' Meeting Agenda. Seconded. **CARRIED.**

Correspondences: (letters, information's, etc)

- Omaha Association of the Deaf - Letter with check to bid for 2017 Softball
- Wichita Association of the Deaf – Letter on Honesty Powell's suspension
- Wichita Association of the Deaf (email) – Release Honesty Powell's suspension

Approvals

1. 2015 MAAD Basketball Board of Delegates Meeting minutes –
Jack Cooper (MinnePaul) moved to accept the meeting minute with correction. **CARRIED.**
2. 2016 MAAD Basketball Executive Board Meeting minutes –
Olathe (MinnePaul) moved to accept the meeting minutes with correction. **CARRIED.**
3. 2015 MAAD Softball Players' Council Motion
Motion: Midwest Underdogs moved & was seconded to reinstate stats effective now for the bracket games. **CARRIED**
Jack Cooper (MinnePaul) moved to accept the motion. **CARRIED**
4. 2015 MAAD Softball Financial Report (hosted by MAAD).
Omaha (Olathe) moved to accept the financial report. **CARRIED.**
5. 2015 MAAD Annual Financial Report
Auditors approved the annual financial report Auditors: Jonathon Arteaga, Herman Fuechtmann, and Ann Cooper

Reports of Officer(s):

President Barbara Nacarelli –

Welcome to MAAD Basketball 2016. Kudos to Chairperson Amy Thompson and her committee with Olathe Club of the Deaf.

- ✓ Several things had been popping up and we, board, been going through ups and downs trying get things going smoothly.
- ✓ Solicitation using MAAD's name had quiet down which is good. Hope stays that way. Players' eligibility - please let coaches communicate with us instead of coach and some players as cause more confusion.
- ✓ Clubs issues/suspensions - mainly we cannot do anything about it, only respect their wishes. What happens inside clubs stays there, unless very serious then can contact Board at Large for suggestions or solutions.
- ✓ Host tournaments - Would like to see more clubs hosting tournaments instead of MAAD.

Vice President Honesty Powell –

Welcome to Riverside, MO. Thumbs up to Amy Thompson and Lorrie Shank along with Olathe Club of the Deaf for making this tournament happen!

- ✓ There are just a few minor changes and 11 proposals to the organizational documents. My law committee consists of 3 members- Kristina Lorenzo-Arteaga, Tami Richardson-Nelson, and Diane Schiffler-Dobe.

Good luck to all teams participating in this tournament."

Secretary Lorrie Shank -

- ✓ Sent out registration information for 2015 Softball to club members and posted in Facebook and website in April 2015.
- ✓ Sent out club membership renewal in October 2015 to club members.
- ✓ Sent out registration information for 2016 Basketball to club members and posted in Facebook and website in November 2015.
- ✓ Sent out Delegate's form to clubs and will have 5 out of 8 clubs with 7 delegates (club can send 2 delegates)

Treasurer Marti Herman – absent

Board-at-Large Robert Lister – Thanks to Amy and Lorrie for their hard work. Need more cooperation with clubs to share information from delegate's meeting with your clubs to be sure to follow the new rules or any changes in bylaws.

Past President Jack Cooper – Congrats to Mike Muszynski for his retirement from Kansas School for the Deaf after 24 years.

Past President Wayne Morse – Hope new officers will keep MAAD in good terms

Appointed Tournament Director Greg Petersen –

2015 MAAD Softball Tournament – Gardner, KS

- ✓ Held on the weekend of July 10-11, 2015 under MAAD's hostship with Marti Herman as chair.
- ✓ A total of 246 (135 players/111 fans) people attended the tournament.
- ✓ There was a total of 9 Coed teams.
- ✓ This was the first time MAAD did not have Men's division play as the tournament was cancelled due to only one men team entering.
- ✓ Friday's round robin games were washed out due to rain and overly-saturated fields in Gardner, KS.
- ✓ All softball games were moved to Black Bob Park in Olathe and rescheduled for Saturday.
- ✓ Round robin games were played in the morning. After two hours lunch break, bracket play began and lasted until 10:00 pm.

2016 MAAD Basketball Tournament – Riverside, MO

- ✓ Hands waving to Amy Thompson and her committee for working closely with me to set up this tournament!! It'll be the first time MAAD will see 'food truck' serving meals to us!!
- ✓ I'm pleased to have 6 men teams coming! We will use Pool Play again with three teams in each pool to play round robin games to determine seedings for the Saturday's bracket games. All teams will be guaranteed 4 games.
- ✓ Two women teams will play Best of Three. If third, final game is not needed then the men's championship game will be moved up earlier.
- ✓ Games will be played at LeVo Sports Complex which will have two courts.
- ✓ Thanks to George Roath and his crew of officials for working with Amy Thompson and I.
- ✓ USADB will be held at St. Louis, MO on April 28 –30, 2016. If you're interested to help out with registration, security, or scorekeeping, let Greg Petersen know!!

Reports of Standing Committee:

- ❖ Hall of Fame Committee – Director Lorrie Shank
 - ✓ MAAD Board and HoF Committee unanimously voted Dayton Stone to be selected as 2016 HoF Inductee. Will announce before championship game.
 - ✓ There will be no other inductees for 2016 as MAAD Board did not vote (only committee did vote). According to HoF Guideline – Board and Committee are to vote on new inductees.
 - ✓ Committee: Jack Cooper, Ann Cooper, Wayne Morse, Tami Nelson-Richardson and Greg Petersen
- ❖ Budget Committee – Marti Herman (absent)
- ❖ Law Committee – Vice President Honesty Powell
 - ✓ Kristina Lorenzo-Arteaga, Tami Richardson-Nelson, Diane Schiffler-Dobe
- ❖ Special Committee(s) –
 - ✓ Annual Sand Volleyball – President Barb Nacarelli will contact Omaha locals if can help to host another this summer
 - ✓ HS Athlete of the Year – Greg Petersen explained about opening letter to school and will start this fall of 2016 for 2017 selections.

Report of Tournament Chairs:

2016 Basketball Chair –Amy Thompson

- ✓ Hello everyone! Welcome to MAAD 2016 basketball tournament here in riverside, MO hosted by Olathe Club of the Deaf. First of all, I want to give many thanks to Lorrie Shank for helping me making this tournament a successful one. Without her, I might be so lost if how to run this tournament.
- ✓ I have exciting new to share, since our lobby area in gym is so small and we have no room to sell foods but only candies and sport drinks, we got food truck out front of the gym on Friday evening and Saturday. That food truck will sell the variety of food like hamburger, cheeseburger, fries! The price is not bad, between \$1.00 to \$8.00. They will have menu provided where you can circle what you want to order.
- ✓ We also have some restaurant and stores between hotel and gym. If you are looking for something, please come and see me and I will help you.
- ✓ There will be no DNO after the championship game so you all are on your own.

Lastly, I want to wish you good luck at the tournament and enjoy your weekend here in KC!

2016 Softball – President Barb Nacarelli explain about tournament (hotel, fields) – same as in EB meeting minutes. New MAAD Board will select chairperson and will work with Christina Costello and Diane Shiffler-Dobe for manpower.

2017 Basketball – no host

2017 Softball Chair - Candice Arteaga will be chairperson and in process in searching for fields. Most of them are already booked up for next year so will keep searching to find one.

MAAD Organizational Documentations

Proposal #1 (MAAD Law Committee)

Page 25, Section 1, E. Play for only one team in a tournament.

Proposed: Play for only one team in a tournament (this rule only applies to basketball).

MinnePaul (GLSAD) amended 'each respective' instead of 'a'. **CARRIED.**

Note: remove (this rule only applies to basketball)

As whole: **CARRIED**

Play for only one team in each respective tournament (Allow to play men's/coed's or women's/coed's teams)

Proposal #2 (MAAD Tournament Director)

This document may be revised by the Basketball/Softball Players Council at any time which shall be submitted to the Board of Delegates for **endorsement** at the next Annual Meeting.

Endorsement means an approval or sanction. Ratification means confirmation.

(Applies to Page 28 for basketball and page 31 for softball)

Proposed: This document may be revised by the Basketball/Softball Players Council at any time which shall be submitted to the Board of Delegates for **ratification** at the next Annual Meeting.

CARRIED.

Proposal #3 (MAAD Law Committee)

Page 25 SECTION 3 TEAMS PER CLUB – Each Club Member may submit more than one team to participate in any tournament, provided that each team meets the requirements imposed by the Player Council for that Tournament. No player on any Club Member Team or Independent Team Member may switch from one team to another even if the two teams are representative of the same Club Member or the same Independent Team Member.

Proposed: Page 25 SECTION 3 TEAMS PER CLUB – Each Club Member may submit more than one team to participate in any tournament, provided that each team meets the requirements imposed by the Player Council for that Tournament. **Basketball only:** No player on any Club Member Team or Independent Team Member may switch from one team to another even if the two teams are representative of the same Club Member or the same Independent Team Member.

FAILED.

Proposal #4 (MAAD Law Committee)

Page 25 SECTION 1 GENERAL RULES OF TOURNAMENT – The conditions of competition, and the rules governing any and all athletic Tournaments sponsored by the MAAD, shall be as prescribed in the Rules and Regulation of the applicable naaD.

- A. TEAMS – Any team seeking to participate in a MAAD Tournament **must be a Club Member of the MAAD and of the applicable naaD before December 1st of the year preceding any Tournament. A Club Member that** submits its official MAAD/naaD Players' Registration forms to the MAAD shall be considered as having declared its intention of entering the Tournament.

Proposed: SECTION 1 GENERAL RULES OF TOURNAMENT – The conditions of competition, and the rules governing any and all athletic Tournaments sponsored by the MAAD, shall be as prescribed in the Rules and Regulation of the applicable naaD.

- A. TEAMS – Any team seeking to participate in a MAAD Tournament submits its official MAAD/naaD Players' Registration forms to the MAAD **and** shall be considered as having declared its intention of entering the Tournament.

CARRIED.

Proposal #5 (MAAD Board)

Add Tournament Director to the Executive Board.

MinnePaul (GSLAD) refer to budget committee. **CARRIED.**

Proposal #6 (From Players' Council Meeting – **CARRIED**)

Page 29 M. ELIGIBLE TEAMS/REGISTERED PLAYERS –

1. To enter the MAAD Basketball Tournament, a team must have at least eight (8) registered players on official MAAD/naaD registration form.
2. A minimum of five (5) players shall be allowed on the floor at the beginning of the game.
3. At the MAAD Basketball Tournament, a team shall not have more than twelve (12) players on its line-up.
4. During the progress of any games, only **the team's player line-up, coach(s), manager(s), and team statistician(s) may occupy its bench.**

Proposed:

M. ELIGIBLE TEAMS/REGISTERED PLAYERS –

1. To enter the MAAD Basketball Tournament, a team roster must have at least eight (8) with a maximum of fifteen (15) registered members including the players and coaching staff (coaches, managers, and statisticians) on official MAAD/naaD registration form.
2. A minimum of five (5) players shall be allowed on the floor at the beginning of the game.
3. At the MAAD Basketball Tournament, a team shall not have more than twelve (12) players on its line-up.
4. Free Agent (FA): Maximum of two (2) FAs will be allowed from outside of MAAD to sign with a team.
5. During the progress of any games, only those listed on the team roster may occupy their bench.

Proposal #7 (MAAD Treasurer)

Page 35 B. TOURNAMENT REQUIREMENTS- There is no section regarding Host paying Tournament fee.

Proposed: Add Section B.3. (change following section numbers in order from 4 to 9). The Tournament Host agrees to pay the MAAD tournament fee which is \$500.00 providing that there are 10 or more teams (both women and men in basketball; both men, women, and coed in softball) registering in the tournament. If the number of teams participating is less than 10, the fee would be \$50.00 per team.

MinnPaul (Olathe) amended to remove “(both women and men in basketball; both men, women, and coed in softball)” **CARRIED**

Olathe (Barb seconded) amended to change ‘less than 10’ to ‘less than 9’. **FAILED.**

As whole: **CARRIED**

Proposed: Add Section B.3. (change following section numbers in order from 4 to 9). The Tournament Host agrees to pay the MAAD tournament fee which is \$500.00 providing that there are 10 or more teams registering in the tournament. If the number of teams participating is less than 10, the fee would be \$50.00 per team.

Proposal #8 (From Players' Council Meeting – **CARRIED**)

Page 27 I. TOURNAMENT HALF-TIME – Half Time (with the clock stopped on all game functions, fouls, free throws, and dead balls) shall be as follows:

1. Championship flight games: twenty (20) minutes.
2. Consolation flight games: sixteen (16) minutes.
3. Overtime games: five (5) minutes.

Proposed: Page 27 I. TOURNAMENT HALF-TIME – Half Time (with the clock stopped on all game functions, fouls, free throws, and dead balls) shall be as follows:

1. Championship flight games: twenty (20) minutes; women are ten (10) minutes per quarter.
2. Consolation flight games: sixteen (16) minutes; women are eight (8) minutes per quarter.
3. Overtime games: five (5) minutes.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business

BDBB16-01:

MinnePaul (GLSAD) moved to reinstate motion **BDBB15-09** and refer to law committee.

BDBB15-09: Honesty (SFAD seconded) moved that we remove General Tournament Rules and Regulations Section 1B under Qualifications of Players. 'Proof of membership in a bona-fide MAAD Club member or an independent team member' (**Motion is referred to Law Committee**)

CARRIED.

BDBB16-02:

Omaha (Lincoln) moved that deaf parent(s) play on a team, their son/daughter will not be counted as CODA in Softball. **Referred to Softball Player's Council Meeting.**

BDBB16-03:

GSLAD (MinnePaul) moved that for MAAD Tournament Eligibility, the St. Louis Metropolitan area is recognized to include a 25 miles radius with the center being downtown St. Louis.

MinnePaul (Omaha) amended to remove "to include a 25 miles radius with the center being downtown St. Louis." **CARRIED.**

Olathe (MinnePaul) amended to insert 'as MAAD region' after recognized. **CARRIED**

Robert Lister (Olathe) amended 'as part of' before MAAD Region. **CARRIED.**

As whole:

MAAD Tournament Eligibility, the St. Louis metropolitan area is recognized as part of MAAD Region. **CARRIED.**

BDBB16-04:

MinnePaul (Lincoln) moved to add "Scanned copies of original signed forms will be accepted" to ARTICLE 5 – BOARD OF DELEGATES Section 1 – Club Delegates: Each Club Member is entitled to send up to two delegates to the Annual Board of Delegates meeting. Such Club Delegate shall be certified in writing by the Secretary of the Club Member to the MAAD Secretary at least thirty (30) days prior to Annual meeting.

CARRIED.

BDBB16-05:

MinnePaul (GSLAD) moved that MAAD Vice President and Bylaws committee to evaluate and interpret what “IN WRITING” means and to add clarifying statements as to what alternate forms of communications are also accepted.

Rationale: There are 10 instances of “in writing” in MAAD bylaws...such as making rule amendments to the Bylaws. Each one seems to have a different purpose or needs for documentation. Some of these rules may need to be updated. With today’s technology, it is easy to copy forms and documents and transmit them electronically. Courts and many businesses accept copies of documents as legal documents and are considered just as good as original. The intent of most of the rules is to have some kind of written record of communication which is more official than just using verbal communication. In some situations, it would be reasonable to use email or scanned documents instead of mailing a letter through the post office. Some situations should remain “hard copy” such as making formal protest in person or with tournament registration forms.

CARRIED.

BDBB16-06:

Motion from Player’s Council Meeting – Olathe Kings moved and was seconded that MAAD collaborate with CAAD to provide better women’s basketball tournament due to low number of women’s teams.

Referred to MAAD Board

ELECTIONS:

President – Barbara Nacarelli by ACL

Vice-President – Honesty Powell and Robert Lister; Robert Lister won by majority votes.

Secretary – Amy Thompson and Candice Arteaga; Amy Thompson won by majority votes.

Treasurer – Marti Herman by ACL

Board-at-Large – Candice Arteaga and Wayne Morse; Candice Arteaga won by majority votes.

Future/Selection of Basketball/Softball Tournament Hosts

- a. 2016 Softball - MAAD
- b. 2017 Basketball – open
- c. 2017 Softball – Omaha Association of the Deaf
- d. 2018 Basketball – open
- e. 2018 Softball – open

GSLAD might be interested in 2018 Basketball and will find out at April’s club meeting and let MAAD know by May 1st.

Olathe (Jack Cooper) moved that MAAD to host 2017 Basketball. **CARRIED.**

Announcements:

Ann Cooper wants to say thanks to Honesty Powell and Lorrie Shank for their 2 years services.

President Barb Nacarelli wants to say thanks to Mike Muszynski for being parliamentarian.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:19 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,

Lorrie Shank, Secretary