MAAD Board of Delegates Meeting Minutes
69th Annual Men & 27th Annual Women
William N. Fraser Memorial
Regional Basketball Tournament
Friday, March 14, 2014
Hosted by Lincoln Association of the Deaf
Country Inn & Suites in Lincoln, NE

Meeting Called to Order
President Lorrie Shank called the meeting to order at 8:13 am on Friday, March 14, 2014.
President Lorrie Shank appointed Barbara Nacarelli as pro-tem Secretary.

Roll Call of Elected Executive Board Officers, Appointed Past President, Tournament Chairs and Delegates:
Elected Board Officers - President Lorrie Shank, Vice-President Richard McCowin, Treasurer Marti Herman, Tournament Director Greg Petersen, and Appointed Past President - Barbara Nacarelli
Secretary Joy Alfred – absent
Hall of Fame Director - vacant

Past Presidents - Wayne Morse, Jack Cooper and Paige Thompson

Host Chairs
2014 Basketball Chair Lynda Collicott
2014 Softball Chair Curt Anderson (also as delegate)


Pledge of Allegiance – Marti Herman

Parliamentarian – Wayne Morse

Prayer – Ronda Johnson, David Schoeder, and Richard Brubaker

Approval of Agenda – Wayne Morse moved to accept the Board of Delegates’ Meeting Agenda. Seconded. CARRIED.

Communications: (letters, information’s, etc)
- 6 letters about solicitation arrests (3 people)
- Memo from Olathe Deaf Club to bid for Basketball 2016
- Received Financial Report from 2013 Softball – Faribault Deaf Club
**Approvals**

1. Approval of 2013 MAAD Basketball Board of Delegates Meeting minutes –
   GSLAD moved to accept the meeting minutes. Seconded. **CARRIED.**
2. Approval of 2014 MAAD Basketball Executive Board Meeting minutes –
   GSLAD moved to accept the meeting minutes. Seconded. **CARRIED.**
3. Approval of 2013 MAAD Annual Financial Report
   Auditors approved the annual financial report with corrections.

**Reports of Officer(s):** See reports in Executive Board meeting minutes

**President Lorrie Shank** –
- Other regions also not affiliated with NDBO

**Vice President Richard McCowin**

**Secretary Joy Alfred** - absent

**Treasurer Marti Herman**

- 2013 MAAD Annual Financial Report – Audited by Albert Sparks (Lincoln), Jonathan Arteaga (Omaha), and Ann Cooper (Olathe).

**Tournament Director Greg Petersen**

**Hall of Fame Director** (vacant)

**Appointed Past President Barbara Nacarelli**

**Past President Wayne Morse** – Keep MAAD strong and will help in any way he can.
**Past President Jack Cooper** – none
**Past President Paige Thompson** – none

**Reports of Standing Committee:**

- Awards and Recognition Committee – Hall of Fame Director (vacant)
- Budget Committee – Marti Herman
  - Honesty Powell, Tami Richardson-Nelson, Herman Fuechtmann
  - Discussed about clubs not having teams, and still send delegates – reduce prices? (no action)
  - Delegates discussed and suggested changes to fiscal policy including “8. Expenses for Tournament/Hall of Fame Directors based on their performances shall be determined by MAAD Board with Delegates’ approval”

Barbara Nacarelli move that we approve the changes in the fiscal policy with understanding with more revisions later. **SECONDED**

**Please see attached updated Fiscal Policy**

- Bylaws Committee – Richard McCowin
  - February 27, 2013 Revisited Meeting
  - Expressed his feelings for in between meetings

- Special Committee(s) –
  AD-HOC Committee for 2014 MAAD Softball Tournament
  Committee members: Tami Nelson-Richardson, Curt Anderson, Davey Olson, Diane Schiffler-Dobe, Kristina Lorenzo-Artega, Norlian Vickers, Troy Shamblen
  ✓ Follow some of NSAD rules -
  1) All teams shall be represented by a region, state, county, city, or town as outlined in the membership requirements rules of NSAD By-Laws, Article 1, Membership.

**2.2.4 MIDWEST:** Missouri, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Kansas, Colorado and Nebraska.
2) NSAD shall allow Free Agents as player: Men: 1 any age, 1 over 40 and 1 over 45 years old. Women: 1 any age, 1 over 30 and 1 over 40 years old.
3) Men’s teams are allowed one (1) while Women’s teams are allowed two (2) – CODA, SODA or Spouse/Partner of Deaf Player

✓ MAAD’s new rules -
   1) Allow players to play two different divisions (women/coed or men/coed)
   **MAAD can schedule women's/men's teams to play at same time and schedule coed teams at different times
   2) Allow players from St. Louis metro area (Illinois side) to play without being consider as free agents
   3) Limited home runs for COED teams (NSAD - 5 home runs limited)
   **Currently - Tournament R&R Softball do not have anything about limited home runs
   4) Adding players:
      a) Can add player(s) to meet the maximum of 20 on team registration form without Players’ Council’s approval
      b) Must follow the free agents and CODA/SODA rules
      c) Cannot replace team members that will not come to tournament
      d) Must have matching uniform shirt with numbers
      e) Player(s) must follow 'General Tournament Rules and Regulation Section 1 – Qualifications of Players'

Note: 'General Tournament Rules and Regulation Section 1 - Qualifications of Players' - audiogram, deaf school's diploma, CODA/SODA using parents' or siblings' proofs
Note: Team members means player, coach, manager and statistician/scorekeeper

✓ Team fees - $425
** Independent teams - $100 refundable deposit fee (if no fines imposed then refund)
✓ Fans fees - Total of fans' fees which split between Host and MAAD

Motion: Jack Cooper move to accept AD-HOC’s recommendations with corrections. Omaha A.D. Seconded. CARRIED

Report of Tournament Chairs:
2014 MAAD Basketball Chair – Lynda Collicott
See report in Executive Board meeting minutes
* Thank you Honesty Powell for being tenacious in getting a team here – if no women’s team, I would have made the hard decision to cancel this tournament. FAAD cancelled their tournament due to one team registered.

2014 MAAD Softball Chair – Curt Anderson
See report in Executive Board meeting minutes

LUNCH BREAK 11:40am-12:30pm

Meeting resumed at 12:35pm
MAAD Organizational Documentations (Constitution, Bylaws, Manuals, Guidelines) – Richard McCowin

~ (Need to add) BASKETBALL RULES AND REGULATIONS – H. NUMBERS OF TEAMS IN EACH DIVISION - Six (6) teams in a tournament shall play 2 games each in the balanced pool set up to determine the final round match-ups. Each team would be guaranteed 3 games. (The motion in Wichita was passed).

~ TOURNAMENT HOST GUIDELINES
* APPOINTMENT, REQUIREMENTS, AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF TOURNAMENT HOST –
  4. The Tournament Host Chair shall serve on the MAAD Executive Board Tournament Host Committee beginning in the year preceding the Tournament for which he/she will serve as the Host Chair and end with the conclusion of the Tournament.
  * 6. Beginning six (6) months before the Tournament for which he/she serves as the Host Chair, the Tournament Host Chair shall submit to the MAAD Executive Board at least 4 monthly reports before the tournament with the host’s discretion that shall outline the progress towards hosting the Tournament, all plans for the Tournament, and all information regarding the facilities for the Tournament. Shall submit a flyer to Executive Board for the final review before distribution.

~ Contract and Security Agreement
B. 2. The Basketball and Softball Tournament Host agrees to provide lodging for all MAAD Elected Officers during the Tournament in which it is serving as host, with lodging to be provided in the form of rooms with two (2) double beds and each bed being provided for a MAAD officer at the Tournament Headquarters hotel. Lodging shall be provided for the duration of the Tournament and shall also include any stay needed to be present for meetings of the Board of Delegates, the applicable Players Council, and the Executive Board. The Tournament Host agrees to pay for 50% of the cost of transportation (which may be either the air fare or the mileage cost) for all MAAD Elected Officers to travel from their respective home cities to the site of the Tournament – All of the expenses of Tournament Director and Hall of Fame Director will be covered by MAAD with the approval of MAAD Executive Board.

~ B. TOURNAMENT REQUIREMENTS -
  5. The Tournament Host agrees to provide at its own cost all awards, with the exception of the MVP (Kenneth L. Meyer) awards through Omaha Association of the Deaf and the Team Sportsmanship (Arthur G. Nelson, Jr.) awards through St. Louis Bell Club, and specified by the Tournament Rules and Regulations for the applicable sport. MAAD agrees to assume the cost for additional awards given in the event of ties. The Tournament Host agrees to put all awards on display during the Tournament.

~ E. TOURNAMENT HOST BID DEPOSIT –
  1. (keep)
  2. MAAD agrees to refund the bid deposit to the Tournament Host within thirty (30) days of the Tournament Host completing the following:
     a. (keep)
     b. (remove)
     c. Submits four (4) monthly reports within six (6) months prior to tournament date to MAAD Executive Board and Club Members via email or letter by the first Sunday of each month.
     d. (keep)
  3. Fines, established ...... (keep)

St. Louis Bell move that we accept all revisions. Lincoln A.D seconded. CARRIED.
Unfinished Business –
a) NDBO - Case is now closed as no win/lose status.

b) BDBB13-02: Wayne Morse moved that we reduce the mileage cost of 50.5 cents to 30.5 cents. Seconded. Referred to Budget Committee. Marti Herman amended to change to 31 cents. St. Louis Bell Club seconded. CARRIED. Lynda Collicott amended effective immediately for 2014 Basketball Tournament. Barbara Nacarelli seconded. CARRIED.

As Whole: Moved that we reduced the mileage cost to 31 cents effective immediately for 2014 Basketball Tournament. CARRIED.

c) 2013 Softball Players’ Council: Midwest Maulers moved that referred to financial committee about $1,000 tournament fee (bring it to 2014 Delegate meeting). CARRIED.

New Business

BDBB14-01:
Lynda Collicott moves that effective immediately, we change in the Tournament Host Guidelines, page 3, Section B, number 2 to read “The Tournament Host agrees to pay 50% of the cost of lodging for all MAAD Elected Officers to be provided in the form of rooms with (2) double beds and each bed being provided for a MAAD officer at the Tournament headquarters hotel.” Lincoln Association of the Deaf seconded. FAILED.

BDBB14-02:
St. Louis Bell Club move that any funds left in the Host Bid be moved to establish fund to cover the Tournament/Hall of Fame Director positions. Sioux Falls Association of the Deaf seconded. CARRIED.

BDBB14-03:
Lynda Collicott move that we establish a Public Relations position effective immediately to spread the word about Midwest Athletic Association of the Deaf and what we stand for, our purpose, and aim for the future. Lincoln Association of the Deaf seconded. Richard McCowin amended to change PR to development. Olathe seconded. FAILED.

OUT OF ORDER – publicity duty is already stated under Vice President’s duties.

BDBB14-04:
I, Marti Herman, move that we take $2,000.00 out of MAAD Museum Fund for the Attorney fees with understanding we put money back within 5 years. Barbara Nacarelli seconded. CARRIED.

BDBB14-05:
Sioux Falls Association of the Deaf move that in Executive Board Manual, to remove Section 1, E., Fix a reasonable rate of expenses for all elected Officers and committee members that are appointed and authorized by the Executive Board. Olathe Club of the Deaf seconded. CARRIED.

BDBB14-06:
Omaha Association of the Deaf move that MAAD created a survey on “Why we MAAD keep losing the teams/clubs”. Surveys go to each clubs and gather information. Greg Peterson seconded. Lynda Collicott amend that MAAD use social media like facebook to send out survey. Paige Thompson seconded. CARRIED.

As Whole: MAAD created a survey on “Why we MAAD keep losing the teams/clubs”. Surveys go to each clubs and gather information and MAAD use social media like Facebook to send out survey. CARRIED.

BDBB14-07:
St Louis Bell Club move that Executive Board Manual Section 1, All officers shall be member of a bona fide club member in a good standing during their term. Sioux Falls Association of the Deaf seconded. CARRIED.
BDBB14-08:
Richard McCowin move that we instruct that the contract with Sioux Falls Association of the Deaf to be applied to the 2014 MAAD Documents. Marti Herman seconded. CARRIED.

BDBB14-09:
Lynda Collicott move that MAAD change from 3 officers in Softball to 5 officers. Marti Herman seconded. CARRIED.

Election –
President: Barbara Nacarelli - ACL
Vice President: Honesty Powell
Secretary: Lorrie Shank
Treasurer: Marti Herman
Board at Large: Robert Lister

Future/Selection of Basketball/Softball Tournament Hosts
   a. 2014 Softball - Sioux Falls Association of the Deaf
   b. 2015 Basketball – MAAD host
   c. 2015 Softball – MAAD host
   d. 2016 Basketball – Olathe Club of the Deaf – won the sole bid.

St. Louis Bell moved that MAAD Executive Board inspect Pentagon of Sioux Falls, SD for 2015 Basketball. Paige Thompson seconded. CARRIED.

Marti Herman moved that MAAD Executive Board to host 2015 Softball in Olathe or Gardner, Kansas. Lynda Collicott seconded. CARRIED.

Announcements: none

Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 3:01 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,

Barbara Nacarelli - Pro-Tem Secretary