

**Nebraska School for the Deaf Alumni Association, Inc**  
**ESTABLISHED 1901**

NSDAA Board Minutes

M – Motion by, S – Seconded by, F – For, A – Against, AB – Abstain, MC – Motion Carried

We had our board meeting at the basement of Heritage Presbyterian Church in Lincoln, Nebraska on Friday evening, April 24, 2009. President Darnall Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m.

Present: President Linsay Darnall, Jr., Vice-President Julie Dahlke, Secretary Peggy Scherling, Treasurer Robert Chadwick, and Historian Daniel Darnall.

Minutes of January 31, 2009 were read and approved by J. Dahlke. S – D. Darnall. MC.

**President's Report:** President L. Darnall Jr. reminded us once again that the time is getting closer and most of the old business has been wrapped up. The committees are doing what needs to be done. Prepare an agenda for the board members to help them guide through the meeting during NSDAA Reunion. Most of the short term has been wrapped up and the long term would be the museum.

He wanted to share about Bob Holmstedt's visit to the NSD Museum on Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>. Bob is Senator Ben Nelson's district manager and he brought an office assistant, Zach Nelson. They communicated with him through pen and paper. At the end of the tour, he told them that we would appreciate Senator Nelson's continuing support for funding of museums and libraries. Zach told him that he would be willing to do some research and let us know which government programs have money. They talked about IMLS a bit and Zach wrote what Bob said that Sen. Nelson would be happy to write a letter of recommendation for us the next time we write a grant!

**Vice-President's Report:** Vice-President J. Dahlke mentioned that only one picture of NSDAA picnic has been sold.

**Secretary's Report:** Secretary P. Scherling has chosen two persons, Debra Weyers and Daniel Broeder, on her committee to go through the motions and prepared for the new business meeting on the morning of August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009. (Deadline date is July 18<sup>th</sup> but will accept by 10 p.m. on July 31<sup>st</sup>.)

Three motions need to be ratified:

- 1.) for NSDAA to host ASL Films on Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 and Tom Neville Show on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at the Bellevue University
- 2.) for D. Darnall, Historian Museum, to spend up to \$100 for museum necessities from museum fund
- 3.) for D. Darnall to get a storage room in the basement at former Boys' Dormitory

M – J. Dahkle to ratify the whole motions. S – D. Darnall. MC

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer R. Chadwick vp'd with Stephen Hilbok and he told him that things should be normal by the end of the year and that we should leave as it is. R. Chadwick checked before coming to our meeting and our balance has increased. It's now \$11,500.00.

He also informed that Stephen Hilbok couldn't promise about presenting the workshop during our NSDAA Reunion.

**TierOne Bank (Checking Account)**

General Fund: Previous balance was \$733.36 & new balance is \$487.36.

Museum Fund: Previous balance was \$3,961.58 & new balance is \$4,314.40.

Memorial Fund: Previous balance was \$163.52 & new balance remains the same: \$163.52.

Reunion Fund: Previous/new balance was \$113.00 & new balance remains the same: \$363.00.

**Merrill Lynch (Investment)**

General Fund (FDP): Previous balance was \$7,353.85 & new balance is \$6,814.97.

Museum Fund (EAFE): Previous balance was \$4,389.89 & new balance is \$4,008.31.

Merrill Lynch Bank USA (checking): Previous balance was \$0.22 & new balance is \$0.22.

Total of previous balance was \$11,743.96 & the new balance is \$10,823.50.

TierOne Bank: \$5,328.28.

**Merrill Lynch: \$10,823.50**

**The balance for overall total is \$16,151.78**

**Historian's Report:** Historian D. Darnall said that in the past three months, we had 34 visitors. He also expressed his thanks to the board members for getting the storage room.

Jerry Siders informed D. Darnall that Iowa School for the Deaf is getting rid of 9 units/45 shelves and he would like to have them for our museum. No motion needed to be brought up so he will have this taken care very soon.

**Committee Reports:**

**Hall of Fame:** Tricia Tighe was unable to attend to the meeting so J. Dahlke has Tighe's report that she would like to drop the whole 'Hall of Fame' thing due to lack of committee. M – J. Dahlke. S – D. Darnall. Discussion has been brought up and R. Chadwick tabled the motion to the next meeting.

**By-Laws:** L. Johnson has been trying to get a hold of Richard McCowin and he needs Jim Petersen's e-mail address. R. Chadwick said he would get that for him.

**Website:** None

**Museum:** D. Darnall said that he is working on agenda for the museum committee meeting and will have it sometime in May to discuss about marketing, ideas, and donation letters. D. Darnall said that that he was contacted by the Turing Point asking if we want them to create a link from their website to the NSD Museum website. There will be no extra fees. There was a discussion and we agreed it would be a good publicity for the museum. A new banner for the website will have to be developed.

**Guideline:** D. Darnall and Gary Theiler have been working on the guidelines now with the wordings.

**NSLP:** Jonathan Scherling was unable to attend the meeting but L. Darnall Jr. said that he and Jonathan had lunch together to discuss about the NSLP and decided that they would like to have DVD by reunion. Jonathan is checking to see if they could use either the Boystown or Deaf Mission to produce DVD. Jonathan is working on the grant from UNL, which might be helpful to cover the fee cost.

**Membership Development Coordinator:** Tracy Ivins didn't come to the meeting.

**Membership Relations Chairperson:** Debbie Haley couldn't come to the meeting.

**Library Committee:** None

**20<sup>th</sup> NSDAA Reunion:** R. Chadwick had a meeting with the committee and they are trying to cut down the cost by not having breakfast on Sunday morning since the hotel will provide breakfast in the lobby (only for those who stays at the hotel) ... Program book will come in 5x8" instead of 8x10". They also were brainstorming with many ideas such as logo contest and free gifts for those who join NSDAA. Stacy needs to have the pictures for CDs.

Harry Lee said that he has received some checks and so far he has over \$600.

R. Chadwick appointed Roy Scherling as membership recruiter.

**Finance Committee:** Albert Sparks resigned so will check with Jerry Siders to see if he would be interested.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** There was no new business.

M – J. Dahlke to adjourn. S – R. Chadwick. MC.

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Submitted by,

Peggy Scherling, Secretary