

Louisiana Association of the Deaf, Inc  
Board Meeting  
@LAD Home office  
28 February 2015

President Cindy Robillard called the meeting to order at 8:55 am.

Roll Call: Cindy Robillard, Houston Moss, Thelma Covello, Kenny Davis, Pauline Wood, Wanda Miller, and Lacey Richard.

Larry Robillard, Donna Cormier, Cleve Cormier, Floyd Perrodin, and Alla Tarasyuk.

Absent: Judith Perrodin

Pauline Wood accepted the board minutes of 8 November 2014 with corrections.  
PASSED.

Larry Robillard accepted the board minutes of 7 December 2014 with corrections.  
PASSED.

President Robillard's report:

1. Attended Deaf Educational Summit with Beth Benedict.
2. Attended Legislative Workshop with Kim Majeri

Vice-President Moss' report:

1. Held a By-law forum on 17 January 2015 which isn't official. Successful!
2. Deaf Educational Summit with Beth Benedict as the keynote speaker.
3. Check out the pictures on Deaf Focus' website on Deaf Alliance (ILEEAD)
4. 13 February 2015 at DEA meeting, 15 people attended. Changed from 'are entitled' to 'shall be entitled' on Deaf Child Bill of Rights.
5. As of today at the office, I picked up the letter Louis Cannon sent to me while I was on vacation. It also got sent out via LA Deaf Connection which allowed everyone to read this letter before I had the chance to.
6. Another letter from Southeast LAD Members was sent out via LA Deaf Connection criticizing as well.

Secretary Covello's report:

1. Checked, updated the membership list
2. Found old memberships that expired which were not on the list.

#### Treasurer Davis' report

1. October 2014 \$335,291.30
2. November 2014 \$345,260.29
3. December 2014 \$318,263.56
4. January 2015 \$341,108.52
5. LAD Bingo
  - a. Paid \$13,440.00 for Form 990T Estimated Tax Payment Year 2013.
  - b. Paid \$36,000.00 for Form 990T Estimated Tax Payment Year 2014.
  - c. T990 paid off
6. LAD Copier – Purchased a new copier in December 2014. The staff from Advanced Office Systems will do maintenance sometimes in April 2015.
7. LAD Tax Filing – I will go to L.A. Champagne and Co., L.L.P. for filing 2014 filing tax returns –Form 990 and Form 990T.
8. LAD 2013 and 2014 Financial Reports- I am working on these financial reports. It will be completed before LAD Conference.
9. LAD's old copier – voted to donate it

#### Pauline Wood's report

1. March 7, 2015 - Workshop with Kim Bianco-Majeri
2. Bingo
  - a. Karen Deville did a fantastic job as she was working on the paperwork/monies at the Bingo Hall with deaf workers. 7 Deaf people are working at the bingo hall but we still need more deaf workers.
3. YLC and Jr NAD (Alla Tarasyuk and Jennifer Rogers) Alla will find out more next week.
4. LAD Conference
  - a. Refreshments/meals/rooms/rental/speakers- total of approximately \$14,579.00 before tax and gratitude 21% . Based on 75 people.
  - b. Banquet (Buffet Style) and Lunch
  - c. Guest Speaker Angela Stratiy from Alberta, Canada
  - d. Changed from the binder folders to program books
5. RID National Conference August 8-12, 2015
  - f. Invite all Louisiana natives to RID Open Ceremony
6. Finally got a position on LCD (Louisiana Commission for the Deaf)
  - a. LCD meeting cancelled due to economy.
7. Increase scholarship at LSD from \$500.00 to \$1,000.00

Lacey Richard – no report

Wanda Miller – no report  
Donna Cormier – no report  
Shirley Delahoussaye – no report  
Cleve Cormier – no report  
Larry Robillard – no report

Floyd Perrodin's report

1. NBDA In Louisville, Kentucky on August 3-5, 2015
2. Need Panels from LAD

Alla Tarasyuk's report

1. LRID Spring Conference on 7 March 2015 at LSD Campus
2. LRID/LAD work together
3. Need CDI program in Louisiana
4. ASLTA (American Sign Language Teachers Association) Conference

Patti Moss' report

1. EHDI ( Louisiana Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program) @ New Orleans
2. Received paperwork to be notarized from Governor to approve her to place on the board.
3. EHDI webinar, viewed and printed on closed captioned on February 2, 2015.
4. Missed call from Governor to approve to EDHI Advance Communication and need to fill out online form

Dustin Cutrer –LSU Concession Application sometimes in June or July.

9% or 19% Income during football season

Not to bring foods and just work to sell foods.

Need about 9 deaf people work and suggest to add 2 or 3 hearing people.

New Business:

2015-01 Larry Robillard (Houston Moss) moved to increase from \$500.00 to \$1,000.00 for LSD Students Scholarship. (PASSED)

2015-02 Pauline Wood (Houston Moss) moved to give \$500.00 to Amelia Manor but to check with Amelia Manor Manager first on what the money will be used for before we give the money. (PASSED)

2015-03 Houston Moss (Thelma Covello) moved to give \$500.00 to Deaffest in Miss. (PASSED)

2015-04 Pauline Wood (Houston Moss) moved to rescind the motion to kill first letter (January 30, 2015) to reject a donation to LRID. (PASSED)

2015-05 Larry Robillard (Houston Moss) moved to donate \$250.00 to LRID. (PASSED)

Pauline Wood (Larry Robillard) moved to close new business.

Good of order Speech:

Paul Winfree-

1. Works at the Lighthouse in Baton Rouge, LA and currently the website is under construction.
2. Celebrate 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary at New Orleans, La. The address is 123 State Street and will email for more information.

Houston Moss - Legislation session is to start on 13 April 2015. We will be looking out for the Deaf Child's Bill of Rights to take action to follow through.

Ralph Vice

Deaffest (Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, West of Florida)

4 or 5 deaf performers

Admission free

Website – [deaffestmississippi.com](http://deaffestmississippi.com)

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 pm.

Submitted by,

Thelma Covello

LAD Secretary