

GREATER LOS ANGELES AGENCY ON DEAFNESS, INC.

Executive Agency Board of Directors Wednesday, January 24th, 2024 MINUTES

Ron Herbold called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. A quorum was present.

I. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

Ron Herbold – President, Karen Bowman, Stacey Woods, D'yann Crosby, Modela Kurzet, Jennifer Choi, Heather Hewer, Mitch Kurs

Absent:

Daryl Crouse – secretary, Scott Hostetler – VP (excused), Jeff Jackson, Sharon Wilson (excused),

Visitors:

None

Staff Present:

Patricia Hughes, Ph.D.

Interpreter:

Teamed – Barbara Mathis and Jason Distelrath

Minutes Recorded by:

Kelsey Peterson

II. APPROVAL OF Nov Minutes: One spelling error noted, Karen motions to accept with changes, all approved

III. OFFICER'S REPORTS

President's Report:

- Ron Herbold is working on completing a board roster for internal purposes and asked that all complete the form
- Ron emphasized the importance of having services for the Deaf/HOH community in California
- Thank you to all board members who have donated to GLAD, he asked to hear from those who have not donated and ask if the donation from the board can reach 100% sometime during the year. Automatic transfers are able to be set up for donations
- Scott Hostetler, Ron and Dr. Hughes have been working on setting up the online database for the board's information while still keeping staff information and board information access separate. The goal is to be able to communicate better as the board and have easier access to resources
- Elections for Board officer positions are coming up in April. All positions are three year terms.
- The Board has their own zoom account that can be used for committee meetings
- Jennifer Choi opened a discussion about the venue that will be used for the 55th anniversary of GLAD. Many venues do not allow events that include fundraising. The first steps for the event are

finalizing the date and the venue, then we can move forward with sponsors and details of the event. The committee working on this event is Jennifer, and Dr. Hughes.

Vice President's Report:

No report

Treasurer's Report:

No Report

Secretary's Report:

No report

IV. CEO's REPORT

- GLAD received a grant from LA county for an event regarding mental health and removing the stigma around mental health services for about \$57,000. This event will be at GLAD with more details to be announced
- LACD uses GLAD's space once per month without paying rent because they previously donated \$150,000.
- California currently has a \$68 billion deficit which may impact federal awards and budgets. We are currently waiting for legislation to see what our budget for the upcoming year will be.
- GLAD has partnered with SIFF (Sign Light International Film Festival) led by CJ Jones. There will be advertising coming up for that and the committee will be asking for volunteers. Tickets will start being sold January 29th and the event will be April 16th-20th at the Pacific Design Center.
- OCDEAF is getting a brand new website. Alicia (the Regional Director of OCDEAF), Amy (the Director of Public Relations), and Dr. Hughes joined a meeting with the new web designer this week to plan that.
- Lifesign's new website is still in process. Hopefully a finalized version of that will be done soon
- Lifesigns is still in search of a new director. The director position must be able to work in Los Angeles.
- The Sorenson CEO is visiting GLAD in about two weeks to tour and meet with Dr. Hughes
- Several job openings including Job Developer Interpreters (JDIs) for EDD and the Director of Lifesigns.
- GLAD has a new Executive Assistant, Viviana Hawkins, who started on Monday. Kelsey Peterson, the previous Executive Assistant, has been promoted to the Human Resources Manager position.

V. SUBSIDIARY REPORTS

LifeSigns Report:

- LS is meeting next week, will have a report next time
- LS is averaging 1,100 requests per month with about 80% being filled

DAHC Report:

- Full house
- Had a meeting with residents a couple weeks ago regarding some housekeeping issues. We ordered new signs for the gates to let people know that they are being recorded if they enter the premises, reminded residents to lock their cars and to bring their valuables inside.
- Discussed options for different events and outings that residents could go to, we can use the GLAD Van for group outings or residents that don't have a car

CODIE Report:

- None

TRI-COUNTY Report:

- The TC GLAD office is open to the public on Monday through Thursday while we work remotely at home on most Fridays unless a consumer requests an in-person appointment on a Friday.
- We have a new Community Advocate.
- The Deaf Counselor has been seeing up to 5 consumers per week. We have posted a vlog on social media explaining the free counseling services for DHH consumers
- The Children's Holiday Celebration at ARC of Ventura on December 9, 2023 was a huge success and very well attended. The families enjoyed a nice lunch, a visit from Signing Santa who gave out gifts, socializing, and raffle prizes.
- The TC GLAD Advisory Board will be busy preparing for our May 2024 Strawberry Festival booth, by designing and updating our booth, purchasing supplies, and recruiting volunteers.
- The TC GLAD Advisory board would like to provide 3 scholarships to send 3 students at the elementary, middle school, and high school levels to The Lions Wilderness Camp for Deaf Children in Teresita Pines. The purpose of these scholarships is to foster and develop leadership skills in the next generation of youth.
- The Vice President position is currently vacant.

OC-DEAF Report:

- Children Holiday Event was huge success. First time in years we had more deaf and hoh children from Taft and Raymond Temple Elementary school.
- For the last three events we had, Greet and Treat (Oct), Food Drive (Nov), and Children Holiday (Dec) we had so much support from our local community. This community was from Cypress Community Page on Facebook. We discovered it through one donor who informed us how they knew about our event. Since then, we have posted all three events with success with donations!! This was more successful than reaching out to each company for donations.
- Love and Literacy event, coming up <u>March 9th</u>, is going nicely. We had so many donations left from the previous holiday that we were able to save some for this event.
- Valentine Social on Feb 14th, a mini fundraising gathering with refreshment and games, was run by a volunteer and one board member (Rennie) in attendance. \$5 per person, limited space (about 25 people)
- OC DEAF will have new a website designed by deaf web designer Sandoval Design Labs, LLC
- Considering having an intern that can focus on setting up more deaf social events that are for adult, senior citizen, and family friendly events. It's in the works....
- New Board member join OC DEAF, Ingrid Sims, ASL interpreter.
- VITA services will begin Feb. 22nd every <u>Thursday April</u>

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee Report:

See financial report on the last pages

- All 1099 tax documents are being sent out to subcontractors
- Recently, we got the EDD contract that we have been waiting for since last July
- Once we get the check from EDD, we will be able to transfer some funds to GLAD's 401a account

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Greater Los Angeles Agency on Deafness, Inc. Consolidated Financial Information As of 1/24/24

Accounts Cash/checking Cash-Sweep Invest account Paypal/GiveBox CNB Securities Money Market Schwab investments CD's Reserve accounts	\$	GLAD 635,518 305,333 266,130 23,637 71,853 250,239	<u>Ca</u>	sh Position <u>DAHC</u> 155,236 345,419	\$	LifeSigns 50,000 2,800,352 106,247	\$	Total 840,754 2,800,352 305,333 372,377 23,637 71,853 250,239 345,419
Total cash on hand	\$	1,552,710	\$	500,655	\$	2,956,599	\$	5,009,964
Aging 1-30 Days 31-60 61-90 90-360 >360	\$	Ac GLAD 214,369 292,627 289,855 173,337	\$	nts Receivable DAHC - - - -	\$	LifeSigns 253,967 183,207 108,152 366,306 3,767	\$	Total 468,336 475,834 398,007 539,643 3,767
Total AR	\$	970,188	\$	-	\$	915,399	\$	1,885,587
Net Profit (loss) as of 11/30/23 GLAD DAHC LifeSigns Total								
Net Profit (Loss) Consolidated							\$	526,256