

1 **GREATER LOS ANGELES AGENCY ON DEAFNESS, INC.**  
2 **Executive Agency Board of Directors**  
3 **Wednesday, May 24, 2017**  
4 **MINUTES**

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6 **President Sidansky called the meeting to order at 6:42p.m. A quorum was present.**

7 **I. ROLL CALL**

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9 Board Members Present:

10 Robert Sidansky -President, Marcus Woods, Karen Bowman, Modela Kurzet, Daryl Crouse

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12 Absent:

13 Elaine Aikins

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15 Visitors:

16 None

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18 Staff Present:

19 Dr. Patricia Hughes

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21 Interpreters:

22 Barbara Mathis and Colin O'Brien Lux

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24 Recording Secretary:

25 Jainah Enriquez

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27 **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 29, 2017**

28 Page 2, line 10, change "heath" to "health"

29 Page 2, line 22, change "HIV related" to "HIV-related"

30 Page 3, line 5, remove "being"

31 Page 3, line 7, change "fund" to "funds"

32 Page 3, line 40, replace "here" with "present"

33 Page 4, line 9, replace "is the" with "are the"

34 Page 5, line 17, add "Crouse"

35 Page 5, line 28, add "at"

36 Bowman moves to approve minutes with corrections. Kurzet seconded. **MSC.**

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38 **III. OFFICER'S REPORTS**

39 President's Report:

40 Sidansky reported that June 3, 2017 "Love is Never Silent" fundraiser has been rescheduled to October 14,  
41 2017 and encouraged the board to purchase tickets. Kurzet suggested increasing advertisement for the  
42 event so more people will attend.

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44 Vice President's Report:

45 No Report

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47 Treasurer's Report:

48 No Report

1 Secretary's Report:  
2 No Report

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4 **IV. C.E.O.'S REPORT**

5 G.L.A.D is nearing the end of the fiscal year (June 30, 2017). G.L.A.D has been focusing on statistics and  
6 making sure that our contract obligations are exceeding the goals of the number of consumers served. As  
7 of today, G.L.A.D is meeting goals except for few areas of services here in LA and G.L.A.D has until June  
8 30, 2017 to pull up the statistics. Some of statistics may have been entered incorrectly by classifying some  
9 services under different areas of services like advocacy instead of independent live skills. C.E.O. is  
10 confident that G.L.A.D will meet goals by June 30th.

11 **Public Relations (P.R.)**

12 C.E.O. thanked the board for postponing the "Love is Never Silent" event from June 3rd to October 14th.  
13 It was postponed due to unforeseen conflict in community events. For instance, some people are going out  
14 of the country on tours during that week, two schools for the deaf will have graduation that day, and Deaf  
15 Bikers will reunite in Big Bear on June 3, 2017. C.E.O. personally contacted sponsors and donors about  
16 postponement.

17 On a separate note, Ka-Yun Chan, G.L.A.D's PR Coordinator and C.E.O. flew to Denver to interview  
18 Joanne Greenberg the author of the book "In This Sign" (the movie is called "Love is Never Silent"). It  
19 was a great trip to meet the author to interview her and she talked about the book. This videotape will be  
20 shown at the event. G.L.A.D is honored to be chosen to be given the painting by Rich Rush that will be  
21 unveiled at the event.

22 **Human Services**

23 *Health Education*

24 *Teen Pregnancy Prevention*

25 Our work with students will exceed the goals under the contract Information and Education (CA).

26 G.L.A.D submitted a budget amendment to the agency in March awaiting the final approval from them.

27 *HIV Prevention Program*

28 Based on Center for Disease Control guidelines and Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) it is  
29 hopeful that G.L.A.D will be recommended for a 12 month extension starting July. G.L.A.D anticipated  
30 getting a word from the agency by May 15th. To this date, we have not received word.

31 It is expected that G.L.A.D will meet its goals with the required number of students for individual sessions  
32 for a 30, 60, and 90-day follow up sessions.

33 Advocates have been busy with cases, mostly doing document translation because more consumers are  
34 getting official letters. Often these letters are about benefits like financial, health and right to work. With  
35 the warm weather, it is more challenging to find shelters that will remain open for consumers who are  
36 homeless. G.L.A.D is in the process of developing a coalition working with agencies nearby to refer  
37 consumers to food banks, shelters, and emergency funding.

38 Office of Deaf Access (O.D.A.) has been transferred back to the Department of Specialized Services.

39 O.D.A. will have a meeting with directors end of June which C.E.O. plans to attend and represents four  
40 centers (G.L.A.D, C.O.D.I.E., O.C.D.E.A.F., and T.C.G.L.A.D). O.D.A. is in the process of finalizing  
41 2017-2018 contracts for four centers so we can continue providing services beyond June 30th.

42 **Employment Development Division (E.D.D.)**

43 E.D.D. program has exceeded contract goals even for the month of April. Twenty-three interviews were  
44 conducted between potential employers and consumers. It is G.L.A.D's goal for consumers retain their  
45 employment beyond 90 days. For the month of April, nine consumers kept their jobs beyond 90 days. It  
46 showed that some consumers might have been let go due to seasonal hiring period.

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49 **LIFESIGNS**

50 Filled Requests: 1,222

1 Cancellations: 488  
2 No Interpreter Available: 116

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4 **V. SUBSIDIARY REPORTS**

5 LIFESIGNS Report:

6 Woods reported that LifeSigns had a workshop on April 29th and that 16 people attended. LifeSigns will  
7 host another workshop on October 28th. There will be a medical classifiers workshop in Riverside in the  
8 fall. The board is looking for more board members.

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10 D.A.H.C. Report:

11 Hughes reported that the residents have recovered from bedbugs. The residents know not to bring random  
12 furniture in off the street because the furniture might have bedbugs. They will also receive training on how  
13 to prevent bringing bedbugs into the building.

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15 C.O.D.I.E. Report:

16 No Report

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18 T.R.I. COUNTY Report:

19 Sidansky reported that Tri-County G.L.A.D had a booth at the Ventura Strawberry Festival on May 20th  
20 and May 21st. The funds raised went towards Tri-County G.L.A.D's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala. Tri-County  
21 G.L.A.D won first prize for the best decorated booth. Staff sold strawberry lemonade and strawberry  
22 popcorn.

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24 O.C.-D.E.A.F. Report:

25 No Report

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27 **VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

28 Finance Committee Report:

29 Hughes gave the handout of Controller's report as of today's date was given to the board with the following  
30 information -

31 Today

	G.L.A.D		D.A.H.C.	LifeSigns	Total
32 Over Cash Position	623,377	180,552	1,331,959	2,135,888	
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35 Accounts Receivable					
36 Current	-	-	210,448	210,448	
37 1-30 days	221,419	-	90,774	312,194	
38 31-60 days	184,028	-	23,326	207,354	
39 61-90 days	81,481	-	17,290	98,771	
40 >90 days	104,767	-	98,547	203,314	
41 Totals	591,695	-	440,385	1,032,080	

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43 Consolidated profit and loss statement for year to date (10 months ending 4/30/17) shows a  
44 consolidated net loss of \$4,973,941 which is \$135,541 less than a year ago on 4/30/16.

45 Consolidated profit and less statement for the year to date (10 months ending 4/30/17) shows a  
46 consolidated net profit of \$2,968. Net income of \$146,903 a year ago on 4/30/16.

47 Decrease of \$143,125 as compared to a year ago.

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49 G.L.A.D's net (loss) was (\$50,311)

50 D.A.H.C. net (loss) was (\$28,011)

1 Lifesigns' income was \$81,290  
2 Consolidated net income \$2,968

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4 Governance Committee:  
5 No Report

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7 Nominations Committee:  
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10 Personnel Committee:  
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13 Fundraising Committee:  
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16 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee:  
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19 **VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**  
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22 **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

23 Kurzet moves to postpone the fundraiser on June 3rd to either September 9th or October 14th. Bowman  
24 seconded. **MSC.**

25 Kurzet moves to explore renting offices in the Health Department. Woods seconded. **MSC.**

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27 **IX. PUBLIC INPUT**  
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30 **X. ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
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33 **XI. ADJOURNMENT**

34 Meeting adjourned at 8:53pm. The next Board Meeting will be held at 6:30pm August 30, 2017.

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37 Board Secretary

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