

**MEETING MINUTES
NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF**

Opening:

The regular board meeting of NCAD duly called and held on Monday, June 5, 2023 via ZOOM (online streaming) at 7:03 PM.

Present were:

President – Mike Lupo
Vice President – Sion (Sam) Moss
Treasurer – Martina Moore-Reid

Western Regional Representative – James Ledford
Eastern Regional Representative - Linda Nelson
Social Media Coordinator – Theresa Moss

Not Present:

Secretary – Jaime Marshall

Central Regional Representative –Vacant

With the approval of the board members present, President Lupo facilitated the meeting and Secretary Jaime Marshall recorded the minutes. Meeting Minutes from the last two board meetings (8/20/2022, 11/1/2022 & 1/14/2023) were reviewed.

Motion by: Representative Ledford

Seconded by: Vice-President Moss

Vote Count: Majority

AGENDA TOPIC: NCAD Bylaws

Representative Nelson points out that the NCAD Bylaws on OurNCAD.org website needs to be updated with the recent revisions. Board is in agreement.

AGENDA TOPIC: Central Regional Representative Nomination

President Lupo appoints Tina Everhart of Kernersville to serve as Western Regional Representative. The board shows full support.

Treasurer Moore-Reid brings up a concern that the board consists of 8 members. Because of the even number of board members, it could raise an issue when it comes to voting. An odd number is needed to break a tie.

AGENDA TOPIC: NCAD President visits Morganton

President Lupo gives details on his 2-day trip in August –

Thursday AM, August 17: President Lupo meets with the NC School for the Deaf's school director, Mr. Mark Patrick, while touring the school.

Thursday PM, August 17: The Deaf Community is invited for a meet & greet with President Lupo at Sidetracked.

Friday AM, August 18: NCAD Board Meeting will be held at the Grind Café from 9 AM to 12 PM which is open to the public.

AGENDA TOPIC: NAD Region III

National Association of the Deaf Region III Board Member, Lisa Rose, recommends that NCAD continues to partner with other Deaf organizations for our state conferences.

Treasurer Moore-Reid will step in for President Lupo at the next NAD Region III meeting, Tuesday, June 27th at 8:00 PM.

AGENDA TOPIC: HB11 – Hugh Blackwell, NC House of Representatives

President Lupo plans to have Mr. Hugh Blackwell give a talk in August as he is the main author of HB 11 to explain more about the bill to the public.

House Bill 11 affects all three schools: ENCSD, NCSD & GMS – the Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf, the North Carolina School for the Deaf, and the Governor Morehead School for the Blind. HB11 would change the governance structure for three state-run schools.

Currently, the State Board of Education and the N.C. Department of Public Instruction oversees the three schools. The bill changes the governance structure where the schools will be operated by three local boards with two appointments by the House Speaker, two by the Senate leader, and one by the State Board of Education. It takes the power away from Raleigh and disperse it locally.

<https://www.ncleg.gov/Sessions/2023/Bills/House/PDF/H11v3.pdf>

AGENDA TOPIC: NC Interpreters & Transliterators Licensing Board

Antwan Campbell, Consultant for Deaf and Hard of Hearing and Interpreter Support from the Sensory Support and Assistive Technology, Office of Exception Children (NC Department of

Public Instruction, inquired if NCAD would send a representative to a stakeholder meeting on June 22 in Alamance-Burlington from 10 AM to 2 PM to garner feedback. NCITLB is looking to update the current licensure law for interpreters in NC in educational settings. Note: There is no Educational interpreter license. Representative Nelson volunteers to attend.

Announcement:

President Lupo announces the next NCAD Board Meeting which is scheduled for Monday, July 10, 2023 at 7:00 PM via Zoom.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:11 PM