

San Diego ASLTA Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 5, 2018
Starbucks, Balboa and Genesee

Present: Erin Oleson Dickson, Adam Frost, Joe Halcott, Peggy Swartzel Lott, Svenna Pedersen, Kevin Struxness.

Svenna called the meeting to order at 4:25 pm. Minutes from the February 3, 2018 meeting were approved. Peggy will post on Google Drive.

Review of previous action items:

- 1) the Cal Coast account access issue still needs to be resolved. Adam will get the tax ID number and contact Svenna and Peggy about closing the account and opening a new one.
- 2) Peggy did follow up on the survey about board member bios for the website but not everyone has replied.
- 3) Peggy revised the donation letter and posted it on Drive. It has not been sent to anyone yet, to request donations.
- 4) Kevin shared his workshop power point with Adam. Adam will email it to those who requested it.
- 5) Deaf Dare was cancelled.
- 6) Bethany did shorten her presentation to two hours at our request.
- 7) Erin did coordinate with SCDRID so both Bethany workshops could be at the same place.
- 8) Peggy made arrangements for Ted's flight.
- 9) Since we did not have a budget for the Ted workshop, Erin was not able to get appetizers from FOT for the book signing.
- 10) Joe reserved G-101 at Mesa and this location worked great.
- 11) Peggy arranged with GUP to order books.
- 12) Svenna will get a sample letter from DSP so she can pursue sponsorship from them and other organizations.

Svenna will work with Peggy to tie up loose ends regarding any of the above, and to make sure the minutes are all posted on Drive.

We all agreed on the following:

- 1) power points from workshops will be shared with those who attend and request it
- 2) Adam has created a "presentation" folder in Drive and he will add a "photo gallery" that can be shared with the members - Svenna would like to have captions added about what is in the photos

- 3) we want to do a “free for members” workshop in Fall (possibly Sept 8, 16, 29, Oct 27 or Nov 3) featuring Karina Pedersen and Melissa Yingst who will share their experience with a type of dynamic governance called Sociocracy (which seeks to achieve solutions that create harmonious social environments as well as productive organizations) followed by an open meeting (voting members sit in the front, non-members are welcome to stay but should sit behind the members). Karina and Melissa have very positive experience with this form of governance from Deaf Women United. Student organizations and ASL clubs should also be invited to attend as everyone can learn from this method of organization.
- 4) Joe will check to see if G-101 at Mesa is available on those dates and Svenna will get in touch with Karina and Melissa and include Kevin in the discussion about the workshop.
- 5) Svenna will share with Joe a model of Sociocracy so he can investigate how our by-laws would need to be altered if we adopt this method.
- 6) Svenna will also see if Convo would be willing to sponsor this workshop.
- 7) Joe will need to have written motions for bylaws changes at least two weeks prior to the meeting.
- 8) Since Peggy has resigned from the board (effective today) and there is less than one year until her term as Secretary ends, Svenna may appoint a replacement to serve until the next election (approximately April 17, 2019).
- 9) We’d like to have a locally led Spring workshop - a linguistics of ASL presentation by Adam Frost and Garrett Bose followed by a panel discussion about language use in our community led by Erin Oleson Dickson. Those three will look into possible dates that do not conflict with other events (maybe March 2 or 9?) so that we can put out a SAVE THE DATE and reserve that date for our event.
- 10) Svenna would like to follow up on a comment made by the dean at Mesa during the ASL Advisory Committee meeting - about the idea of collaborating with SD-ASLTA.
- 11) Peggy will re-send the email with her Ted workshop recap and suggestions for the future. In particular, Svenna would like to develop a more complete contract for presenters to sign including that there will be a reduction in their fees if they do not fulfill the terms of the agreement, i.e. to produce and post short videos of themselves on social media to promote the events.

Adam’s report on our 2017/18 workshops and membership:

- 1) we have 44 members at this time
- 2) we have a total of \$4,461.32 (\$2,184.27 in checking and \$1,1615.61 in savings)
- 3) Peggy will deposit \$632.99 that Adam gave her today from the Ted workshop
- 4) there is \$28.45 in PayPal
- 5) Ted’s workshop brought in \$1,605.48 (\$1,549.23 workshop and \$56.26 books)
- 6) 124 paid for Ted’s workshop, 112 attended
- 7) Bethany’s workshop lost \$204.66, 29 paid and 27 attended
- 8) Kevin’s workshop brought in \$526.71

New Business:

1) Kevin moved that we continue the \$10 annual membership fee for 2018/19 with the understanding that members who join on the website are responsible for the PayPal fee themselves. Joe seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2) Adam moved that for both the Fall and Spring workshops from now on we use the following registration fee structure (and participants pay the PayPal fee themselves):

pre-registration for members, students with valid ID and senior citizens	\$15
at the door registration for members, students and senior citizens	\$20
pre-registration for non-members	\$25
at the door registration for non-members	\$30

Joe seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3) Erin would like to revitalize the idea of partnering with DCS to support youth activities like the Deaf Youth Leadership Camp and would like to do presentations for them as she and Jon Savage did in the past but this year she and Jon are both out of town during the July camp times. Kevin is willing to drive to Jamul on a Sunday to present information about mouth morphemes to the kids. Erin will also look for others to present on Monday and Tuesday.

4) Anyone who has suggestions of enthusiastic, participatory board members for Svena to consider for Secretary or PR Officer, please let her know. It would be great to include someone who teaches ASL in high schools.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:01 pm.