

# GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Puget Sound Association of the Deaf

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*Date | time 09.22.18 13:16 | Meeting called to order by President Will Roach*

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## In Attendance

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President Will Roach

Treasurer Jay Bontrager

Secretary Jon Terpak

Board Member Edite Stuite

Board Member Thomas Welch

Board Member Edward Ingham

Total Members: 21 (25 at the conclusion of the meeting)

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## Not in Attendance

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Vice President Lilly Bender

Board Member John Taft

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## Approval of Minutes

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The minutes from May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 were read and approved as distributed without dissent.

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## Officer's Reports

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### **President's Report**

Deaf Thrive Day event (Cal Anderson Park at Capitol Hill) was very successful and there was roughly 300 people that attended along with 31 vendor booths from various organizations. It was a great impact on the community and PSAD's visibility was greatly enhanced at the event.

PSAD hosted a group hiking trip to Monte Cristo Ghost Town on July 28<sup>th</sup>. There was 9 people that attended the hike. The trail leading up to the town was an old railroad tracks and it was then converted to a hiking trail. 8 miles roundtrip.

The PSAD event at the Seattle Mariners game with close to 40 people attending and it was a huge success. We were planning on taking a lot of pictures but it was a really good event and we managed to snap a few at the end of the event. The pictures have been posted on Facebook.

DNO hosted their third annual beach bonfire and they had a volleyball tournament at the event. PSAD had a team playing and won first place along with \$100 dollars that was donated to PSAD.

### **Vice President's Report**

Not present

### **Secretary Report**

As of May 2018, we had 99 paid members and currently as of Sept 22, we now have 119 members. We are still constantly growing so that is a good thing for us. Now we need to get those members to be more actively involved with the association.

Our email issues with psadeaf.org is still an issue. There is a limitation on 60 emails that can be sent out every hour and we can't send more than 60 emails at once. Secretary Jon is working with Google with the hoping Gmail can be used to solve the issue to make communication quicker.

### **Treasurer Report**

The financial audit for June, July, August, and September of 2018 was approved and certified by our accountant, Stephen with our financial service.

Secretary Jon will add the current balance to meeting minutes going forward.

Balance Sheet as of August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018

PSAD Checking Account: \$3,783.91

PSAD Savings Account: \$48,217.86

PSAD Recreational Account: \$1,370.26

PSAD BRC Account: \$5,512.20

PSAD Deaf Thrive Day Account: \$5,819.83 (PSAD does not own this budget, we are only handling this money for Deaf Thrive Day team and will not use this for PSAD revenues and expenses).

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### **Committee Reports**

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#### **Board Member Thomas Welch:**

Please be prepared for possible candidates for the next meeting on November 17<sup>th</sup>. We have a couple of positions on the board that is up for election. If you know someone or yourself that could be interested in any of the open positions, please contact the board members (Thomas Welch, John Taft, Edite Stuite, Edward

Ingham). Keep an eye out for emails from those board members related with this. Below is the position that is up for election.

- President
  - The President's duties according to the Bylaws is:
    - Preside at all regular, special, and annual meetings
    - Enforce Bylaws and state laws
    - Appoint a secretary pro-tem, when the regular secretary is absent during meetings
    - Appoint a special committee or ad-hoc committee as deemed necessary
    - Appoint all chairs of the permanent and standing committees with approval of the Board except designated in the Bylaws.
    - Serve as ex-officio on all committees except as designated in the Bylaws
    - Together with the Treasurer, be informed of, and authorize each budget which exceeds \$500.
- Secretary
  - The Secretary's duties according to the Bylaws is:
    - Record the minutes of all regular, special, and annual meetings.
    - Have charge of all books and documents belonging to the Association except those of the Treasurer
    - Gather and maintain a list of all voting members and their contact information for the purpose of announcements of meetings or social events
    - Be informed of and authorize all expenditures in the absence of the President, such communication being evidence that the order has been approved by the Board of Directors
- Two Board Members positions (2,4).
  - The Board Members' duties according to the Bylaws is:
    - Publicize the activities of PSAD to prospective members
    - Maintain contact with all members
    - Recruit candidates for officers and committees
    - Shall serve on at least one standing committee

#### **Senior Citizen (William Ludwig):**

The first July meeting, there was 39 people attending and there was two celebration for wedding anniversaries. There were three visitors, two from Texas and one from Germany.

The senior citizen group hosted July 4<sup>th</sup> party at PSAD hall and there was over 20 people attending.

The most recent group gathering in September, there was a celebration for Maxine Schnebele's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday and Sigrid Ludwig's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. There was one visitor from China at this gathering along with a visitor from Seek the World- Calvin Young. There will be videos posted on his media platforms later on.

#### **Building Committee (Earl Mangold and Ron Allen):**

The roof replacement is completed and certified. All the roof materials were replaced along with new base of plywood. They also replaced new venting on the roof to make sure it all matches up. A copy of all the roof repairs and warranty will be given to Secretary Jon for record keeping.

The possible future project is the painting of the sidings. There will be more discussion about this to see if we should hire a company to do the work or to look for volunteers to try and save some money.

On Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, a man will come and replace our water pump along with fixing the electric outlet near the side door. The last time we had to replace our carpet was because of flooding, that was due to the water pump malfunction. That's why we need to replace and fix it to prevent future flooding. There will be a new pump along with a replacement of the outlet itself.

### **Building Relocation Committee (Allie Joiner):**

There will be a short community forum to discuss different things related with our building plans for the future with the deaf community on October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 1 pm to 3 pm at the Northgate Community center. The address is 10505 5<sup>th</sup> Ave N, Seattle, WA 98125.

### **Recreation Committee:**

PSAD hosted our first Poker tournament on September 8<sup>th</sup> and there were a 9 people attending. Only PSAD members are allowed to attend and we gained 6 new members from that event. All the buy ins cost is returned to the top three winners. There will be more poker tournament events going forward and hopefully we will have more people attending. This is one of our plans to be more social and turn PSAD into more social events.

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## **Unfinished Business**

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November 2017 Action Item #2: (to be removed going forward).

- Check on the possibility of investing of investing funds with Kramer Wealth Management

January 2018 Motion #1:

- 2019 Super Bowl Party to be jointly hosted by PSAD and WAGUAA
  - We met in August to discuss plans and will meet again on October 25<sup>th</sup>. We had a good strong meeting the first time we met and there will be more information releasing as they come out. The Super Bowl will be on Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and there will be limited tickets due to the space at the PSAD Hall.

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## **New Business**

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September 2018 Motion #18

- Thadeus Brown to propose that we require a monthly PSAD meetings, starting at the beginning of the next term.
  - The motion was voted down with 4 in favor and 12 disagree.
    - **After September 2018 Motion #22, discussion continued.**
      - Amended: I want to move to require 5 PSAD general meetings, and 6 committee meetings; strike the word monthly.
        - Vote on the amendment: majority vote to pass with no dissent
- Thadeus Brown to propose that we require 5 PSAD general meetings, and 6 committee meetings.
  - Vote: majority passed with no dissent
    - Final Motion Phrasing:

- “Require 5 PSAD general meetings along with 6 committees meeting in a calendar year.”

#### September 2012 Motion #19

- The board propose we increase the rent by \$200, from \$1,800 to \$2,000 starting June 2019 for a 12-month lease term.
  - Amended by Mike Izak and vote passed with no dissent
    - “remove (by \$200)
  - Vote passed with no dissent

#### September 2018 Motion #20

- The board move to donate \$100 to DSA 2019 committee for supporting their DSA conference on September 2019 in Seattle, with an agreement that they will allow us to host happy hour with GVAD (Greater Vancouver Area of the Deaf) on Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
  - The motion is passed with no dissent

#### September 2018 Motion #21

- Cindy Spillum move that we give \$100 winnings from DNO’s volleyball tournament to PSAD BRC’s fund.
  - The motion is passed with no dissent

#### September 2018 Motion #22

- Thadeus Brown move to reconsider the September 2018 Motion #18.
  - Motion is passed with 15 in favor and 4 not in favor.

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### Internal Announcements

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University of Washington’s Women Soccer team will host Deaf Culture Night on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.

November 2<sup>nd</sup>, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, and November 4<sup>th</sup>, there will be a group painting session with a deaf artist named Kelly Simpson at PSAD Hall. More information can be found through the flyers which will be distributed by the communication team.

### New Year Eve Party Updates

We need volunteers for the event, if you are interested then please get in touch with Board Member Edite Sturite. The event will be hosted at the Northgate Community Center on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

There will be meals along with two wine tickets included.

Motion to adjourn was made and passed unanimously at 16:13

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### Next Meeting

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11.17.18 at 13:00, Location: PSAD Hall