

# GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Puget Sound Association of the Deaf

*Date | time 11.17.18 1:18 PM| Meeting called to order by President Will Roach*

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## In Attendance

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President Will Roach

Vice President Lilly Bender

Treasurer Jay Bontrager

Secretary Jon Terpak

Board Member John Taft

Board Member Thomas Welch

Board Member Edward Ingham

Total Members: 28 members (45 at the end)

- Joya Adams
- Ron Allen
- Amy Ausdenmoore
- Lilly Bender
- Flora Blue
- Jack Blue
- Anne Clark
- Corey Clark
- Albert Dial
- Toby Fitch
- Doug Giaccone
- Changer Gonzalez
- Sanh Ha
- Jennifer Harris
- Lisa Holmberg
- Brad Isakson
- Heidi Isakson
- Michael Izak
- Richard Jacobs
- Allie Joiner
- Samantha Liddick
- William Ludwig
- Takeshi Matsumoto
- Persus McDaniel
- Earl Mangold
- Claire Ness
- Russell Olson
- Kaye Peak
- Julia Petersen
- Stephen Pfeiffer
- Caroline Roach
- William Shields
- Cindy Spillum
- Dan Steiner
- Kathy Steiner
- Dean Willis
- Taylor Yukawa
- Alan Zook

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## Not In Attendance

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Board Member Edward Ingham

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## Approval of Minutes

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The September minutes were read and approved as corrected.

It was suggested by the members that we don't use military time for meetings minutes so we will use AM/PM format going forward.

The corrected version will be emailed to the members.

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## Officer's Reports

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### President's Report

PSAD hosted Painting Classes. The results from three nights:

- **Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**
  - 3 people
- **Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>**
  - 6 people
- **Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**
  - 10 people

**Revenue:** \$790.00

**Expenses:** \$890.00

**Results:** Loss of \$100.00

#### **Feedback for the future:**

- Better and more frequent promotions
- Electronic payment
- Share events with other organizations
- FB events

We will be hosting happy hour during the DSA conference on Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 with Northwest Washington Community of the Deaf. More information will be provided by John Taft later on related with DSA but we will continue to work with DSA and NWCD to arrange plans for the event.

We have a new building chair: Earl Mangold. He will take care of all building related things. Ron Allen will still serve on the committee with Kathy Steiner and Cindy Spillum.

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

N/A

#### **Secretary Report**

Our membership count has continued to rise! We are now up to 129 members as of 11.17.18! Some of the most recent additions from September to November was the result of PSAD's Poker Night gathering so we are hopeful of a lot more additions in the year of 2019. Upon looking in the previous 6-8 years, it seems 129 members is one of the highest members that PSAD has had for a while (not including free members from the past).

#### **Treasurer Report**

Our financial report for September and October of 2018 was certified and audited by Stephen Fickenscher.

<b>As of September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>As of October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>Change from Sept - Oct</b>
Checking: \$6,972.48	\$2,374.68	<b>-\$4,597.80</b>
Savings: \$48,219.781	\$48,221.06	\$1.73
Recreational: \$1,370.26	\$1,370.26	\$0.00
BRC: \$5,512.20	\$5,6512.20	\$100.00

Deaf Thrive:	\$1,879.55	\$3,422.39	\$1,542.84
Total: \$	\$63,953.82	\$61,00.59	-\$2,953.23

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## Committee Reports

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### **Board Members:**

Thomas Welch said he will not decide to run again at the end of his term.

### **Senior Guild – William Ludwig:**

There has been really good gathering at the Senior Guild (Roughly 20-30 people). There will be a potluck on Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. All is welcome to this.

### **BRC – Allie Joiner and Jon Terpak:**

The Community Forum Town Hall Meeting was a success with a lot of different feedback. We will continue to host different types of meetings with the goal of getting representatives from different organizations.  
Department of Health Services

### **Recreation – Will Roach, Takeshi Matsumoto, and Doug Giaccone:**

We have a poker committee group and they will work on trying to figure out the best way to get more people involved and make this a more success. There will be \$25.00 buy in for the poker game. The goal is to host a game every third Saturday of the month. The member fee will be waived next month (December).

Sportfest will occur at PSAD hall on Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. There will be cornhole tournament, food/raffles, Seahawks viewing party, and different prizes throughout the day. The door will open at 10 am and will last until after the Seahawks game. The cornhole tournament will be 10 dollars per team of two. Children are welcomed.

We will have a Wreath Making event on Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. This will be hosted by Danica Metley.

\$8.00 for children

\$10.00 for members

\$15.00 for non-members

### **Building Report – Earl Mangold:**

Our water pumps on both doors is old/broken/not up to code. Earl Manbgold found a company that came and replaced both water pumps and fixed up the electricity outlets in order to have it run at all time whenever the water level reached certain level. This help keep the water out of the building and have everything up to code.

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## Unfinished Business

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November 2017 Action Item #2:

Hold off on investing with Kramer Wealth Management

September 2018 Motion #18

Require 5 PSAD General Meetings along with 6 Committees Meeting in a calendar year.

September 2018 Motion #19

Increase the rent by \$200 from \$1,800 to \$2,000 starting June 2019 on a 12 month long term lease.

September 2018 Motion #20

Donate \$100 to DSA 2019

September 2018 Motion #21

Give \$100 winnings from the Deaf Night Out Volleyball to PSAD BRC's fund.

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## New Business

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November 2018 Motion #22 (Thadedus Brown proposal)

We move to donate \$100 to TOPS K-8's Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program to help provide dinner at Family Night Events.

Majority vote to approve.

### **Annual Elections:**

November 2018 Motion #23 (The board proposed)

The board move to open the election for the office positions of President, Secretary, Board Members #2, and Board Members #4 for the term of 2019-2020.

Majority vote to approve.

The election results:

President: Will Roach

Secretary: Jon Terpak

Board Member #2: Stephen Pfeiffer

Board Member #4: OPEN

The president has the authority to select someone for the open position of Board Member #4 with the approval of the board.

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## Internal Announcements

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### **2019 DSA Conference – John Taft:**

The discount for Washington States people is \$270.00 by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018. All information is found online at [www.dsa2019seattle.org](http://www.dsa2019seattle.org). The price range is:

April 2<sup>nd</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 - \$270.00

January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 - \$320.00

January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to June 30, 2019 - \$370.00

July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to at the door - \$420.00

John Taft also found out that Washington State's residents have until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 to pay the original cost of \$270.00.

### **2019 WSDC (Western State Deaf Campers) – John Taft:**

This will occur on June 23<sup>rd</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. More information is on the website: [www.wsdc2019.com](http://www.wsdc2019.com). If you have any questions, use the "contact us" button on the website or contact John Taft and Lilly Bender.

### **Possible 2 Tax Workshops in the year of 2019 - Allie Joiner**

There will be two tax workshops occur on the year of 2019. January 20<sup>th</sup> and March 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will set up RSVP for January 20<sup>th</sup> to make sure we have enough people coming. This will be more of a general tax workshop and it will not be very specific because everyone has their own needs.

### **Updates on MITF (Medical Interpreting Task Force) – Allie Joiner and Julia Petersen**

HCA (Healthcare Authority) has contracted now with Universal Language Services (ULS). There are several problems with ULS. One is the invoicing process and time before interpreters are paid. Another is the barriers to Deaf Interpreters, whose applications are, in some cases, automatically denied. This is a great concern because some patients don't need just ASL (hearing) interpreter, but also Deaf interpreter (DI). There is no apparent system for receiving and responding appropriately to consumer feedback.

Meanwhile, the HCA has NOT been meeting with stakeholders as mandated by the settlement agreement. There was a stakeholders' meeting scheduled for Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> but it was for all stakeholders (i.e. those representing hearing-foreign speaking patients as well as ASL patients) and not enough time to discuss all the DHH/DB patients' needs and issues. To MITF's understanding, there is a "work-around" for hospitals and clinics to find their own interpreters if Universal Language Services (ULS, contracted with HCA) is not able to find a "language match" (replacing the term "preferred") interpreter.

As of Friday November 16th, HCA sent out the notification that the November 20 Interpreter Services Stakeholder meeting is to be rescheduled as they were unable to secure tactile and ASL interpreters to interpret at the meeting.

For HCA-ULS- related concerns, reach:

Christina Fogg

[christina.goff@usdoj.gov](mailto:christina.goff@usdoj.gov)

On another issue related to interpreting at KP/Kaiser (previously GHC) appointments, KP is now working on scheduling a meeting with HSDC Interpreting office to see if it is possible to add them as their contract list for ASL interpreting services. If any of you have concern about interpreting-related at KP appts, reach

1. Christina Fogg [christina.goff@usdoj.gov](mailto:christina.goff@usdoj.gov)
2. Barbara C. Obena MPH [Barbara.c.obena@kp.org](mailto:Barbara.c.obena@kp.org) Members Diversity and Inclusion Program Coordinator/ADA/Civil Rights Coordinator
3. Tammi S. Farmer [Tammi.S.Farmer@kp.org](mailto:Tammi.S.Farmer@kp.org) Kaiser Permanente Interpreting Services Coordinator

Motion to adjourn was made and passed unanimously at 3:30 PM.

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### Next Meeting

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We have completed our 2018 meetings so we will announce meetings dates for the year of 2019 after our officers' retreat.