

## **DDSC MEETING MINUTES (REVISED)**

December 15, 2022

Millville Community Center at Evans Farm

Attendees: 30

- 1) Call to order by the President: 10:37 a.m.
- 2) Approval of Minutes: Lisa Jacobs moved to accept the minutes as read.  
Seconded by Jeff Leach.  
Passed.
- 3) Officers' Reports
  - a) President Allen Talbert
    - a) Monthly meeting dates confirmed - 1/26, 3/16, 4/20
      - No meeting in February
    - b) Labor Day Picnic Chairpersons: Richard & Barbara Simpson
    - c) DDSC Website - Joe Stanislaw
      - he is familiar with our system.
    - d) Nominating Committee for 2023 Election
      - Mike Childs and Dennise Scott have been asked by President Allen Talbert to nominate new DDSC officers for 2023.
    - e) Deaf Expo/Fest 2023
      - Will be held at Hope Center at Mariners Bethel United Methodist Church on September 23, 2023.
  - b) Vice President Sherry Duhon
    - a) Holiday Dinner Party - December 8, 2022
      - no report
      - The holiday dinner is not connected with DDSC. The ladies lunch group is responsible for the Holiday party.
  - c) Treasurer Paul Haring
    - a) Paul Haring shared three different financial reports between May 31, 2022 and November 30, 2022.
  - d) Secretary John Padden
    - a) No report
  - e) Standing/Special Committees -
    - 1) Jay Innes reported for Billy Bowman about Pickle Ball at the Beach Tournament. It will be held at Ocean Pines as part of fundraising plan for DDSC.
      - probably for Summer of 2023
      - 12 courts will be used for the tournament.
      - food truck will be there to sell sodas, snacks, and other refreshment.
      - will provide more info later.
    - 2) St. Patrick's Day Party (Jay Innes)
      - Will be held at the Millville Community Center at Evans Park on March 18th.
      - Interested people need to send \$25.00 to Gordon Bergan or DAD.

- payable to DAD on a check.
- 3) Barbara White has asked us to give holiday gifts to Delaware School for the Deaf (DSD).
  - \$25.00 gift cards will be given to the students of DSD.
  - Need money for school supplies for students.
- 4) Barbara White informed us that DSD students joined the deaf bowling group on December 8th for some bowling fun.
  - Successful!!

f) Unfinished Business

- None

g) New Business

- Jay Innes informed us that DDSC officers need to develop a financial budget with goals.
  - How much should the picnic budget be?? Why do we need \$1,000 extra for the picnic?
  - Use money for scholarship?
  - Use money for advocacy funds?
    - for interpreting services.
- Linda Lytle suggested that we could have a special emergency fund we could use.
- Dennise Scott wanted to clarify funds needed for picnic.
  - extra money to buy things for picnic.
  - can use profits to benefit the deaf community such as scholarships.
  - Barbara White suggested that we let the Picnic Committee decide what percentage of funds to donate.
  - Dennise Scott moved that we keep \$500 for Labor Day Picnic and the rest of money more than \$500 is to be transferred to other funds such as advocacy funds or scholarships.
  - Seconded by Sherry Duhon
  - Passed.

h) Announcements

- Rosemary Adamca Balzer explained that if we play Dingo at Evans Farm Community Center, we must have a license. Because of it, it is best to cancel Dingo.
  - Since there is no meeting for both January and February, we can play cards or any games as part of our deaf gathering event. A flyer will be sent out.
- Barbara White updated us on the Deaf Expo idea.
  - can use a church community center as there will be no charge, and it is spacious.
  - we will need to sign a 7-page contract
  - we may be able to use the church's umbrella insurance.
  - we could charge \$25 per vendor.
  - There was a discussion if we could use the words, "Deaf Expo" as there are other organizations using it.
- Sherry Duhon announced that we collected \$794 from silent auction and bake sale event. Many thanks to Barbara White for setting up

the fundraising event. Successful!

- There was a live action before the end of meeting. Dennise Scott won the white cake with her bid of \$55.
- Thanks to Dwight Benedict for his wonderful performance as an auctioneer.
- For 50/50 raffle, Ruth Innes won.

I) Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.