

DDSC Meeting Agenda

1. There will be a workshop, "Life Before Death - Living a Better Now by Planning Ahead" Advance Care Planning, presented by Chaplain Paula Waite at 10:00 am on Thursday, April 20, 2023. Please be at the Millville Community Center at Evans Park around 9:45 am to prepare for her 1 hour and 15 minutes presentation.

This topic covers:

- Completing and Advance Directive
- What are the medical alternatives (CPR, ANH, DNR, DNI etc.)
- Selecting a surrogate decision maker
- Durable Power of Attorney for healthcare
- Palliative Care

Talking with your loved ones

- Getting ready for the conversation
- Where do you stand on important health decisions
- Who, When, Where, and What to say

2. Call to order by the President - Allen Talbert

- Reading/correction/approval of minutes of previous monthly meetings, December 2022 and March, 2023. Secretary - John Padden
- Monthly meeting date confirmed 5/18/23 (DDSC Officers Election Day)
- DDSC Appreciation Day Picnic 6/15/23
- Reminder: Need to be a member by paying the \$2 membership fee in order to attend the June picnic
- Motion: Change the name of "Scholarship Committee" to "Student Support Committee"
- Bethany Beach Chamber of Commerce - \$200 to become a member and there are a few things we can benefit from them.
- Back drop banner (20 ft x 20 ft) - A good PR for DDSC as we can use it for Pickle Ball by the Beach Tournament and DDSC DeafFest.

3. Vice President - Sherry Duhon

4. Treasurer - Paul Haring

5. Standing/Special committee reports

- Scholarship Committee - Barbara White
- Pickle Ball by the Beach - Sherry Duhon
- DeafFest - Barbara Simpson

6. Unfinished Business

- Sunshine Fund
- New name for Scholarship committee

7. New Business

8. Announcements

- Accessible Communication with Law Enforcement
- Join us as we celebrate the release of the Communication Card Video
Produced by students at the Delaware School for the Deaf
Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 1:00 pm
Appoquinimink Public Library
Middletown, DE
- Deaf Mentor Program (Mindi Failing)
 - Delaware Health and Social Services (DHSS) and Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) has assigned DE Statewide Programs to oversee the Deaf Mentor program for families with deaf/hard of hearing children.
 - DE Statewide Programs received the grant \$ for 4 years (2020-2024) to implement and execute the Deaf Mentor program in Delaware.
 - We are looking for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Mentors.
 - Deadline to apply is December 5.
 - This position is reported time – we will pay for mentors' hours to go through the required trainings, attend meetings, and work with families.
 - This is a small part-time job.
 - If you have any questions about the program and/or position, please feel free to email Mindi or set up a zoom appointment with her.
MELINDA.FAILING@christina.k12.de.us
 - Also feel free to share the flyer and job posting with your deaf/hard of hearing friends in the state who may be interested in applying.

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9. Adjournment