DDSC Meeting Agenda Evans Park Community Center December 6, 2023

(Attendance: 20)

Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Vice President, Mark Alford, at 10:18am.

Reading/Correction/Approval of Minutes

Mike Childs (Nancy Caddell) moved to accept the minutes for the meeting on November 8, 2023 as read. Passed.

Officers' Reports

President - Allen Talbert's Report/Agenda (not present)

Vice President Mark Alford shared President Allen Talbert's report.

-Dates for Our Future Meetings

DDSC monthly meeting days changed to Mondays. He was not able to book on the 3rd Monday of each month due to holidays and other organization's events. Our meeting dates for next five months are as follows in 2024: January 22nd, February 12th, March 11th, April 8th and May 13th.

-Ten years celebration of DDSC (2025)

Do we want to do something special to celebrate our tenth year?

-2024 Pickleball Tournament Chairperson

President Allen Talbert had appointed Sherry Duhon to be the chairperson for the 2024 Pickleball Tournament.

-Chairperson for Labor Day Picnic?

Billy Bowman shared with us that we may have interested persons who will be willing to be the chairpersons for this event, DDSC Annual Labor Day Picnic. President Allen Talbert will need to confirm with them first.

-Thank You Message from Joanne Howe, Owner of the Clayton Theatre

Secretary Mary Ann Richmond informed us that the DDSC board had purchased flowers for Joanne Howe to wish her speedy recovery. She was in a hospital for a surgery. She sent us a thank you message via email.

Vice President - Mark Alford

-ByLaws Committee Report /Creating Guidelines for Giving

Vice President Mark Alford explained this is still in process.

Secretary- Mary Ann Richmond

-Needs Assessment of Aging & Disabilities Survey

Please read the email from DSA President, Phil Aiello, and to complete the Needs Assessment of Aging and Disabilities survey. She encouraged us to complete the survey since this survey is handled by Innivee Strategies. This organization works with a large non- profit organization focusing on advocating older adults with disabilities.

-Sharing Info/Announcements from the South Bethany Chamber of Commerce

The emails she forwarded to us from the South Bethany Chamber of Commerce are intended to give us the opportunities to see if there are any events or announcements that may be of interest to us.

-DAD and ODHH emails/announcements

Secretary Mary Ann Richmond encouraged us to sign up to receive emails from DAD and Delaware ODHH.

Treasurer - Paul Haring

Treasurer Paul Haring explained the treasurer's report for the month of November. Jerry Buyas and Mike Childs had audited the report.

Standing/Special Committees' Report

Wrap Up of Deaf Fest- Chairperson Barbara Simpson Chairperson Barbara Simpson was not in attendance, so we will hold this until the next meeting.

Deaf Fest Financial Report -Financial Administrator, Jeff Leach Financial administrator Jeff Leach was absent, so he will share the report during the next meeting.

Student Support Fund-Holiday Gifts for Deaf/HH Students- Linda Lytle Linda Lytle had purchased the 25 dollar gift cards from Walmart and Target. She will meet with a DSD administrator to give 44 gift cards for the DSD students, and the remaining 36 gift cards will be given to Deaf and hard of hearing students who attend the schools in the Indian River School District.

Guidelines for Treasurer Report Committee- Jeff Leach To be shared during the next meeting.

Unfinished Business None

New Business

Linda Lytle (Louis Lapides) moved to mark the funds raised through the Deaf Fest 2023 as restricted funds managed under the Student Support fund. Passed.

Announcements

Keith Robertson informed us that the ASL Club wants to have a gathering in January for us to socialize with ASL students at a bowling alley in Millsboro. He will share more details with us later.

Paul Haring mentioned there are 54 people attending the Holiday Dinner hosted by the Beach Ladies tomorrow evening at the Cripple Creek club house.

Billy Bowman wanted us to recognize the hard work the Deaf Fest committee had done to pull off a successful event.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:01am.

50/50 Raffle

50/50 Raffle winner(s): Nancy Caddell

Respectfully Submitted by Mary Ann Richmond, DDSC Secretary