

DDSC Meeting
Thursday, September 12, 2024
Evans Park Community Center
Attendance: 31

At 1:00 pm - Presentation given by Arthur Moore, Delaware Relay Wireless Service

Call to order by President Allen Talbert after Arthur's presentation

The meeting started at 2:08 pm.

Reading/correction/approval of minutes of previous monthly meeting on May 13, 2024.

Jeff Leach moved to approve May meeting minutes. Louis Lapides seconded. Passed.

Officers' Reports

President - Allen Talbert's Agenda

A. Reminder for membership renewal starting July, 2024 to June, 2025. If you have not paid dues, you can't vote during the meeting.

B. Summary of Voting Rights, Martha Sheridan

C. Mike Childs and Denis Munn volunteered to be chairpersons for DDSC's 10-year anniversary celebration on October 16, 2025. They asked us to start sending memories, pictures, stories, etc to Mike Childs or Denis Munn. The celebration will take place at Cripple Creek Country Club.

Vice President - Mark Alford

No report

Treasurer - Paul Haring

Haring gave his treasurer report which covered the past four (4) months (May, June, July, and August 2024). See Paul's handouts attached. His reports are grouped by DDSC only, Pickleball at the Beach tournament, and combined report of both DDSC and Pickleball tournament. Paul needs to edit August reports to show August dates, not July dates.

Secretary - Mary Ann Richmond (Lisa Jacobs took over for today)

No report.

Standing/Special Committee's Report

Upcoming Dates for Pickleball Tournament - September 14-15, 2024, Sherry Duhon Lisa Jacobs reported on behalf of Sherry that 97 players registered for the tournament. It will take place at At Ocean Pines Racquet Club in Ocean Pines, MD from 8:30 am - 6 pm on Saturday, and 8:30 am - 4:00 pm on Sunday.

DDSC Appreciation Day Picnic, Lisa Jacobs/MaryAnn Richmond
Lisa Jacobs reported that 53 people attended the DDSC Appreciation picnic. A fun time was had by all by having delicious subs, playing corn hole and Dingo. Many thanks for all your work with DDSC.

DDSC Labor Day Picnic Report, Fred Hartman/Allen Talbert
Allen Talbert reported that 69 people attended the picnic. We had a cookout of burgers and hot dogs, played corn hole, and Dingo.

Brief Summary of Voting Rights, Martha Sheridan
Martha Sheridan asked Allen to share the PP slides from the Voting Rights workshop. Martha asked Billy Bowman to give a short report on her behalf. About 30-35 people attended the workshop. It is the beginning of our relationship with the election folks. It is important for us to keep up with current voting issues and rules. The presenters were impressed by our turn

out and the kind of questions we asked. Martha is our contact person if we have any questions. Martha thanked President Talbert for helping to make this happen..

Unfinished Business

Create an ad hoc committee to conduct a study to determine the percentage of future proceeds to be reserved for the interpreter fund. President Talbert explained that we need to create an ad hoc committee to focus on this.

Joey DeLusant suggested that for the four (4) funds: general funds, student support funds, community outreach funds, and advocacy funds that all profits be divided among these 4 funds. We will need to decide the percentage for each. For example, 50% of profits go to the general fund, then divide the remaining 50% among the other 3 fund groups.

New Business

No new business.

Announcements

Allen asked us how he should share reports from the Chamber of Commerce. It was recommended that he forward their emails to DDSC members and add the information in the DDSC website.

Holiday Dinner/Party on December 5, 2024, Barbara Stanislow/Becky Hartman (this is a part of Ladies' Lunch group, not DDSC)

To DSA Affiliated Members:

DSA Webinar Series 2 -
Deaf Senior Housing - Freedom without Barriers
Thursday, September 19, 2024

Click on Webinar link to register

<https://www.deafseniors.us/post/deaf-senior-housing-webinar-september-19-2024>

Billy Bowman said that this webinar is very important for us as this is an ongoing issue for elderly seniors. We could watch the webinar together so we can process and discuss together.

Deaf Seniors of America (DSA) Conference- April 23-25, 2025 in Kansas City, MO. Website: [deafseniors.us/news](https://www.deafseniors.us/news)

There will be a gathering at Salted Vines after the DDSC meeting. Anyone is welcome.

Deaf Night Out (DNO) on Friday, Sept. 13, 2024 during Happy Hour at Big Chill Beach Club. We expect some pickleball tournament players to be there as well.

50/50 Raffle: Total is \$71 (\$35 to DDSC and \$36 to winner) Mary Edwards won!

The meeting was adjourned at 2:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Jacobs, Interim Secretary