

**Maryland Association of the Deaf
Board Meeting
Saturday, March 5, 2022
Howard County – Savage Library**

Present: Kirsten Poston (President), Tina Joyner (Vice President), Jacob Leffler (Secretary), Marie Campbell (Treasurer), Vikki Porter (Board Member at Large), Toyin Fasakin (Board Member at Large), Tiasha Bera (General), Blaise Delahoussaye (DeafBlind), Angela Rogers (Youth), and Peter Un (Senior Citizens)

Absent: None

President Kirsten Poston called the meeting to order at 12:13 p.m.

President's Report

President Poston has been cleaning up files and folder in the President's google drive. President Poston has been providing her support to the Gala Committee and did the vlog with the Potomac Chapter of Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf regarding the Maryland Sign Language Interpreter Licensure.

Vice President's Report

Vice President Tina Joyner helped the Secretary to write Legislative Letters on different bills that was introduced by the State Senate and State Delegates. Vice President Joyner also gave the testimony on behalf of MDAD regarding the Maryland Sign Language Interpreter Licensure. President Joyner provided the support to the Baltimore City Association of the Deaf, Howard County Association of the Deaf, and Prince George's County Association of the Deaf regarding the Open Captioning Movie Bill.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Jacob Leffler worked on the Google Drive and the folder has been shared with the full board. Secretary Leffler established the email for the community to get in touch with the Board – board@mdad.tv. Secretary Leffler assisted the Gala Team to design the Gala Website.

Treasurer's Report

As of February 28, 2022

Bank Account: \$51,687.80

Investment Accounts: \$100,341.21

Total Balance: \$152,029.01

Treasurer Marie Campbell sent the amended financial report that ended in December 2021 to the Finance Committee. Treasurer Campbell filed the tax returns to IRS and MDAD is in good standing with the State of Maryland.

Old Business:

Maryland Sign Language Interpreter Licensure – Board Liaison Jacob Leffler reported that the Committee will do a follow-up letter to the State Senate and State Delegates after the hearing.

New Business:

Tina Joyner moved that MDAD is allowed to spend up to \$600 without the Board’s approval during this Administration.

Seconded by Marie Campbell

Tiasha Bera amended to strike out “during this Administration” and replace with “up to Gala”

Seconded by Vikki Porter

CARRIED

MAIN MOTION: MDAD is allowed to spend up to \$600 without the Board’s approval up to Gala.

CARRIED

Marie Campbell moved that MDAD approves to pay \$1,000 to the Gallaudet Dance Company for the Gala.

Seconded by Tina Joyner

CARRIED

Marie Campbell moved that MDAD purchases Black/Grey Polo shirts for men and Grey Polo Shirt and Black half-sleeved shirts for women.

Seconded by Tina Joyner

CARRIED

Marie Campbell moves that MDAD has a booth during the ASL Festival on March 14, 2022.

Seconded by Tina Joyner

CARRIED

Marie Campbell moves that MDAD spends up to \$1,000 for the Gala Program Book.

Seconded by Vikki Porter

CARRIED

Jacob Leffler moves that MDAD spends up to \$3,000 for the Symposium whether it is in-person or virtually.

Seconded by Toyin Fasakin

CARRIED

President Kirsten Poston adjourned the meeting at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Jacob Leffler
Secretary