

EAAD Delegates Meeting
March 15th, 2013
Ramada Inn
Philadelphia, Pa

President Stewart Gerlis started to call the meeting order at 7:18pm.

Roll Calls

James Ginis	Lexington Alumni Association--Men
John Thomas	Lexington Alumni Association--Women
Roxanna Aguilo	Fanwood Alumni Association--Board Member
Wendell Forbes, Jr.	Fanwood Alumni Association
Chuck Wallace	Delegate at Large
Danny Gabel	Showstoppers
John Perry	Northern Virginia Club Deaf (NVCD)
Robert Jones	Greater Philadelphia
Michael Krieger	New Jersey Wild Ones
Carol Colon	New Jersey Warriors
Stewart Gerlis	EAAD President
Michael Shiffer	EAAD Secretary/Treasurer
Paul Mitchell	EAAD Tournament Director

Late Arrival

John Antal	NVCD
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Minutes from March 9th, 2012 meeting approved as corrected.

Corrections were:

1. Law Committee Report: # 4 - Refer to Law Committee.
2. Unfinished Business: #2 – Delete John Thomas. Corrected the name of person's motion was John Perry.
3. Unfinished Business: #3 – Deleted the word of "Buffalo".

Stewart Gerlis introduced Larry Shields to be Parliament during EAAD Delegates Meeting.

Treasurer Report:

1. Hello Everyone! Welcome to EAAD Delegate Meeting. I did not attend NJDS Warriors hosted EAAD Basketball Tournament due to my hip injury. I was struggled due to my health issue for three months. I glad that I was here.
2. Unofficial balance: \$11,991.89 on Feb. 28th 2013.
3. Official Audit for 2 years until June 2012. Two auditors (Ms. Yvonne Davis-Talley and Richard Labriola) already signed the financial reports.

President Report: (Stewart Gerlis)

1. Welcome to our 68th Annual Men and 22nd Annual Women Eastern Athletic Association of the Deaf Basketball Tournament. Please allow me applauding to Chairpersons April Jackson, Robert Jones and their committees for their hard working to make this event possibly success. Let's waving our hands to Chuck Wallace for his "behind the scene" arranging to find the gymnasium. In addition, he is willing to work as a statistician for our tournament.
2. I proudly announced that EAAD has achieved in three things, as follows: (1) EAAD has own liability insurance under Riverport Insurance Company; (2) EAAD already paid off its debts to other two exceptions. EAAD still owes money to Michael Shiffer and Stewart Gerlis; and (3) EAAD has the website.
3. I personally wanted to thank to all of you supporting our invitational tournaments on December 8, 2012 and February 16, 2013. This really helped us raising our EAAD funds. Again, thanks.
4. For your information, Stewart just learned that Eastern Basketball Association of the Deaf (EBAD) was disbanded.
5. I just learned that the seven regions have enrolled USADB's liability insurance under Chuck Wallace. I will discuss this matter with USADB if it is worth to enroll USADB's insurance liability. I want to make comparison with USADB's insurance liability and our insurance liability. I will keep you informed later.
6. I proudly announced that EAAD Board of Directors have approved that EAAD will pay \$25.00 per team that will participate USADB basketball tournament in the first week of April 2013.
7. I want to introduce Ms. Daniela Farkas, Webmaster, to all of you. She works very hard to make the better website of EAAD. Ms. Farkas, will you kindly come here on the floor?
8. To my knowledge, Ms. Farkas already accomplished the website, you will enjoy browsing the new website. Please keep in your mind that it is not fully done yet. Please give us more times to input the information into website.
9. My vision is to make this organization into the better strong one. I expect that will take about three years to improve our organization. My next goal is to write the letters to the foundations or sponsors for a making the donations to EAAD. I assure all of you that is not easy to receive some donations due to the bad economy But, I will keep trying for a miracle.
10. Conclusion, to my astonishment, there are fourteen teams to attend our tournament this year. It really impacts EAAD growing more strength. Thank you.

Vice President Report: No report

Secretary/Treasurer Report: (Michael Shiffer)

1. I already gave you all USADB forms but you can see me after meeting or during basketball tournament.
2. USADB delegate meeting form. You must see me how to file the form. I will scan forms to USADB Secretary.
3. USADB Tournament Fee – You must send the fee and form to USADB after EAAD Tournament within 72 hours.

Law Committee Report: (Stewart Gerlis)

1. I believe that Michael Shiffer gives the updated Constitution and By-Laws, Part 1 and Part 2 and Basketball Guideline dated as of May 2012. This will expect to update the website in a jiffy.
2. Christina Costello updated last May 2012. Michael Shiffer already made copies of EAAD Bylaws book for all of you.
3. Please keep in your mind that you must submit the motion that is relating to EAAD Constitution and By-Laws within at least 30 days preceding the annual meeting. For any guidelines, you can bring it up anytime.
4. EAAD invites ESDAA boys and girls high schools all-star players must be tabled to Law Committee because of financial issue. EAAD must raise the funds to cover the high school players' transportations and hospitalities' expenses.

Tournament Director: (Paul Mitchell)

1. I am glad that EAAD expands 13 men and women basketball teams this year and foresee that EAAD shall add 5 more teams next year.
2. EAAD has First Aid Kit and the teams must contact me if you need something from First Aid Kit.
3. Explain about EAAD Brackets.
4. The game will resume at 8am on Sunday.

Unfinished Business: (Stewart Gerlis)

1. Financial Committee: (Timothy Frelich) - The motion was dead but John Perry is replaced Timothy Frelich who was no longer coach this year.
2. Affiliation with NDBO: (Carl Colon and John Thomas) - **Carl Colon moved that EAAD disaffiliated NDBO. Passed**
3. Thipgen: (Stewart Gerlis) - Mr. Thipgen must bring his solid evidence such as a receipt to prove that he already paid \$75.00 to EAAD. If not, he should not participate in EAAD Regional basketball tournament and EAAD invitational basketball tournament until he pays his debt.

New Business Report:

1. Danny Gabel made a motion that EAAD shall add "35 second" two shot clocks to EAAD Basketball guideline. Seconded by Roxanna Aguilo. PASSED.
2. Mike Krieger made a motion that EAAD basketball shall begin in October, so that the other teams shall have opportunity to host invitation tourney with in the exception of two weeks before preceding EAAD regional tournament. Seconded by James Ginis. PASSED.
3. John Perry made a motion that EAAD shall reimburse registration fee (\$10) for Tim Lavelle – NVCD President because he worked as parliament for the past 4 years. Seconded by Chuck Wallace. PASSED.

4. John Perry made a motion that Guideline # Article 4, Section 5. Remove "with all players' name on roster". PASSED.
5. Roxanna Aguilo made a motion that request EAAD Secretary should write formal letters to all regional team to see if they are interesting to have Co-Ed Volleyball tournament for next year. Seconded by Mike Kreiger. PASSED.
6. Mike Kreiger made a motion that the invitational tournament's clock must stop the free throw. Seconded by Danny Gabel. PASSED.
7. James Ginis made a motion that EAAD seeding shall be based on the number of games including the number of winning to receive the better seeding for EAAD Regional Tournament. Seconded by John Perry. PASSED.
Robert Jones amended motion that the seeding shall follow up by the tiebreaker; if the tiebreaker has the even numbers, then following the high points. Seconded by Mike Krieger. PASSED.

Bidding the Tournament: (Stewart Gerlis)

2014: Fanwood Alumni Association will host 69th Annual Men and 23rd Annual Women EAAD Basketball Tournament. (Roxanna Aguilo)

2015--?

2016--?

Election Ballot: (Stewart Gerlis)

Vote for President, Vice President, tournament Director and Public Relations

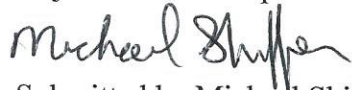
Larry Shields selected to assume the Election ballot.

1. President - Stewart Gerlis (ACL)
2. Vice President – John Perry (ACL)
3. Tournament Director – Paul Mitchell (ACL) Danny Gabel withdrawal.
4. Public Relations – Danny Gabel and Mike Kreiger. Danny Gabel won.

Announcement:

1. Roxanna Aguilo – Fanwood Alumni Association. (FAA) will host Co-Ed Volleyball tournament at New York School for the Deaf on June 1, 2013.
2. Chuck Wallace - Sears Cummings passed away in December 2012 and he was inducted EAAD and NEAAD Hall of Fame.
3. Mike Kreiger – He plans to host New Jersey Wild Ones Invitational Basketball tournament on December 8th, 2013.
4. Chuck Wallace – He explained about USADB Basketball Tournament. Admission shall be \$25 ticket per day at door or \$65 combo ticket.

Adjournment: 9:46pm

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Shiffer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Michael" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Shiffer".

Submitted by Michael Shiffer
EAAD Secretary/Treasurer