

# **Arizona Deaf Senior Citizens Coalition (ADSCC)**

## **ADSCC General Meeting**

February 4, 2023

The meeting was held in person at AAT. President Dick Leon called the meeting to order at 10:01am.

**Quorum:** At least 20 members were present. Quorum has been met.

**Board members Present:** President Dick Leon, Secretary Julie Stylinski, Treasurer Harvey Goodstein, and Members Ron Rhodes and Linda Russel. Excused absences: Vice President Ed Waterstreet and Member Tom Galey.

**Minutes:** George Sierra moved (seconded by Donna Taylor) to approve minutes of Jan 11, 2020. PASSED

**President's Report:** Board had a meeting with Erich about property next door. We sent a letter of intent to partner with CCM. We hope to get an answer from Erich this year.

Since we did not meet quorum in Jan 2020, we will proceed with new elections today. There will be 8 positions available.

I received a Thank you card from Nadene from AAT.

AAT residents recently had a Social Event meeting. A letter was sent to CCM informing them that Julie will no longer be the Social Director as of Dec 31, 2022. ADSCC will close its bank account. AAT will resume their own bank account. ADSCC will continue to send AAT their annual funding.

**Vice President's report:** None

**Secretary's report:** None

**Treasurer's report:**

Monthly financial reports have been audited through by the Finance Committee.

In 2026, we can start to touch our investments accounts.

Incentives has been approved by the board. The following organizations will receive:

PDCC-\$1,000

TDCC- \$500

VCD-\$15,200 for only AAT residents

COPD-\$4,500

The balance for the ADSCC accounts is as follows:

Wells Fargo Checking Account: \$11,290.33

Wells Fargo Savings Account: \$15,207.15

Merrill Lynch Endowment Management Account:  
\$415,198.55

Desert Financial FCU Checking Account (for AAT residents) None

Desert Financial FCU Savings Account (for AAT residents) \$25.17 which will be kept by ADSCC.

TOTAL CASH ASSETS \$441,721.20

Donna Taylor moved and seconded by Deb Stone to accept the proposed ADSCC budget for 2023. PASSED.

## **Board Members' report: (Linda)**

-I will follow up with Erich on Phase II for property next door.

-AAT social committee consists of Nadene, Sue and George will create a resident fund. Linda and Harvey will continue to assist residents with the new transition.

## **Social Committee Report: None**

## **Community Report:**

(Sherri Collins ACDHH)-

Senior Expo-Saturday, March 25, 2023 at Ability 360 from 9am-1pm. The keynote speaker confirmed to be Dr. Jaime Wilson. More info will go out sometimes next week via Facebook, IG, e-newsletter and post on the website. The event is free, and the general public will need to register.

Age of Access website- The website is under development and hopes to go "live" in March before the expo.

Research/survey with Gallaudet University- Hopefully the survey will go out at the end of Feb or early march. We need all your help to share and encourage people to complete the survey. ACDHH staff are happy to help individuals to complete the survey in person or via zoom or VP.

Accessible Caregiver: ACDHH team will be meeting with Arizona Caregiver Coalition leadership in a few weeks to discuss the lack of accessible caregivers for our community.

Any questions, reach out to me or Kim Minard.

(Cindy Walsh VCD)-

VCD served 72 people in the fiscal year 2021/22. Many seniors are struggling to maintain independent living and we collaborated with ACDHH and BridgeWater to help create an assisted living environment for Deaf. So far, we have 4 Deaf in the facility, creating a small Deaf community, and we have hopes to expand to having a full wing of all Deaf residents, We also hope to be able to coordinate a similar situation in Tucson.

Another big issue for us this year-Tempe Community Action Agency had a reduction in their funding, and they stopped their funding of our shopping and food access program.

The things we help our seniors are:

- 1.Reviewed mail or email for assistance.
- 2.Assisted with recognition of spam or scams.
- 3.Assisted with completing tasks online.
- 4.Assisted with telephone calls.
- 5.Attended client as an SSO in the home or the community.
- 6.Assisted with shopping online or in the community.
- 7.Assisted with food box, food pantry.
- 8.Assisted client with family engagements
- 9.Help with technical issues such as computer, iPad.
- 10.Help with various resources.
- 11.Help with life planning and insurance matters.

(Jose COPD)

COPD has provided services to 53 Deaf and DeafBlind seniors.

- They were served for advocacy, resources, case management, and counseling.
- We helped with immigration, food boxes, resources related to PCOA and benefits entitlement, etc.
- We reopened TDCC around April of 2022 which is slowly reengaging. Seniors meet from Sept to the summer there. Some of the funding was utilized at TDCC for utilities, etc.
- COPD also assisted with three new seniors who moved to Tucson with resources related to housing, SSA and benefits including case management services.
- COPD goals are to continue to provide more seniors citizens at TDCC and Marist and to also provide ongoing case management, counseling services and resources.

(Deb Stone PAD)- We are working on widening our stage and adding camera to the parking lot area. We are also working on making our bathroom door automatic where it opens itself. We want to add an ADE machine, add a flat ramp to the door, add fire sprinklers and do landscaping outside.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

**Announcement:** None

**Nomination:**

President-Dick Leon

Vice President-Harvey Goodstein

Secretary-Randy Sergeant

Treasurer-Ron Rhodes

Board Members-Deb Stone, Donna Taylor, George  
Sierra and Nadene Neal

All officers were sworn in by Secretary, Julie Stylinski

The meeting was adjourned at 11:49 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Stylinski, Secretary



