

**Tri-County GLAD  
Advisory Board Minutes  
Thursday, October 6, 2011  
Marie Callender's Restaurant**

**Advisory Board Members Present:** Pati Longo, Heather Hewer, Robert Sidansky, Edith Wysinger, Geo Hester, Elaine Aikins, Erin Yasutake,

**Members Absent:** Steve Hurst, Kipp Scott

**Staff Present:** Julianna Fjeld, Regional Director and Mark Robinson, Community Interpreter

**Call to Order:** 6:34 p.m. (With quorum)

**Approval of Minutes:** Pati moved (seconded by Edith) that we approve the August 18, 2011 minutes. Passed unanimously.

**I. President's Report:**

- **Welcome New Members:** Erin Yasutake and Geo Hester (Steve Hurst could not make it tonight.)
- **GLAD Liaison Report:** LifeSigns was recognized for 26 years of service and was given an award. Steve Schulz was recognized for volunteering for so many years. Since the Director of LifeSigns had retired, Dr. Patricia Hughes and Heidi Booth have taken over running LifeSigns. They would plan to restructure it.
- The Deaf Festival was very successful and the weather was cool which was perfect for the festival, however, the number of people was less than last year. Same thing for the booths but the event went very well. 7 GLAD interpreters were there.
- HLAA had a new support group for hearing loss through Face Book through GLAD's hard of hearing specialist. They had 40-50 participants on Face Book this month.
- We had GLAD's SSI Workshop with 17 people attending at GLAD/LA.
- Bakersfield-GLAD had hire Janice England from Missouri to become a new director.
- EDD's job placement department has had good results with 14 placements last month. One person was hired 3 weeks before becoming an employee of the month. Another person who wanted to be a sous chef got an interview and was offered to become Chef supervising 200 staff.
- GLAD HQ has 74 employees. Only 1 position is open: LifeSigns Director.
- GLAD would be involved with the AIDS walk on Sunday, October 16. You could get more information at the GLAD's website.
- **Selection of Strawberry Festival Chairperson:** Would discuss in new business.
- **Deaf History Calendars:** Would discuss in new business.

**I. Vice President's Report:** See Committee Reports

**II. Treasurer's Report:** Submitted by Elaine Aikins

**III. Secretary's Report:** No report

**IV. Regional Director's Report:** Submitted by Julianna Fjeld

**V. Committee Reports:** Given by Pati Longo

- **Mothers' Support Group:**

Pati: We had our meeting last Wednesday and would meet again on October 19<sup>th</sup>. We had a new mother, and she was so grateful to find this group. She got a lot of information, shared experiences with another mother, and was very excited to have found this group. We all had a group hug. We were making progress and had two mothers.

- **Elks Lodge Fundraiser:**

Pati: Not much progress yet. I would keep after Bob and Jess at Elks Lodge in Oxnard.

**VI. Unfinished Business:** none

**VII. New Business:**

- **California Strawberry Festival Food Prices:** Pati moved (seconded by Elaine) that we continued to have the strawberry popcorn and strawberry lemonade/mint lemonade at \$3.00 each. Passed unanimously.
- **California Strawberry Festival Chairperson:** Pati moved (seconded by Elaine) that we recruited the chair directly from the board. Passed unanimously.
- Pati moved (seconded by Edith) that we nominated Elaine as Strawberry Festival/2012 chairperson. (Elaine then accepted the position.) Passed unanimously.
- **Type of Strawberry Festival Booth:** Pati moved (seconded by Edith) that we would pay \$900.00 for the 10 X 10 booth; \$200.00 for the use of the preparation room; \$200.00 for the use of electricity; \$250.00 for security deposit and \$30.00 for the banking service. Passed with 6 ayes and 1 abstain.
- **BREAK 7:37 - 7:43 p.m.**
- **New Business Continued:**

- **Calendars for TC GLAD Staff.** The staff has been working very hard and is all overwhelmed. The board needs to show their appreciation. The total cost for the calendars is \$71.80. Pati moved (seconded by Gerald) that we paid \$71.80 out of Tri-County GLAD's regular account to buy 4 copies of Deaf Life's Deaf Calendar 2012 for Tri-County GLAD staff. Passed unanimously.
- **Ventura County Fair *Deaf House*:**  
Pati moved (seconded by Erin) to investigate and start researching having the *Deaf House* at Ventura County Fair that would happen in summer 2012.. Passed unanimously.

(There was '*The Deaf House*' at the Ventura County Fair in 1992. It was a huge success. Bob said it would be a wonderful demonstration of how deaf and hard of hearing people lived, how they got up in the morning, used door lights, phone lights, smoke-strobe alarms and the like. This demo would be an actual small version of a house. This would be a hands-on visual display.)

#### **VIII. Announcements:**

- Heather announced that there would be a campus tour planned of CSDR on October 25, 2011 from 9:30 a.m. – noon arranged by the Cabrillo Middle School Deaf and Hard Hearing Program. Parents, families, students, and staff were welcome.
- Edith announced that the Deaf Education and Families Project would have its 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Deaf Festival at Underwood Farms in Moorpark. Children age 2 and under would be free. Admission would be \$6.00. It would be on Sunday, October 16. There would be a hayride for the families. There would be a picnic area and name tags would be available for the families with deaf and hard of hearing children. Also deaf and hard of hearing parents with hearing kids could attend, too.

**IX. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

- **Next meeting will be on Thursday, November 3, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at Marie Callender's Restaurant at 185 East Daily Drive, Camarillo, CA 93010**