

Alabama Baptist Conference of the Deaf
Executive Board Meeting
State Board of Missions in Prattville, AL
January 12, 2023

Those in attendance:

Executive Board:

Jeff Farmer

Paul Pitts

Jin Mayer

Others:

Kristy Kennedy – SBOM

Steve Dye – SBOM

Joshua Huffman - SBOM

Matthew Dixon – Jr. ABCD Director

Prayer and Open:

Jeff opened the meeting with prayer at 10:15 a.m.

Old Business

Jin presented the minutes from November 7, 2022 meeting. There were no motions for this old business.

Financial Report

ABCD has \$6,146.76 in checking, \$982.90 in savings, and Jr ABCD has \$2,710.72 in the bank as of March 11-13, 2022. We all accepted the financial report.

New Business – upcoming for ABCD

Jeff had been working on Southwest Airlines and Frontier Airlines. He found Frontier Airlines with great deals. He is continuing to search for the prices from Southwest Airlines. Steve Dye will pick up Micah Willis from TX Friday, and Matt will drop him off Sunday at Atlanta airport.

Pastor LeRance Hill from South Carolina will drive to ABCD in March 2023.

Jeff preferred Prattville area like SBOM or Coosada Baptist Church for ILC, and he hopes south Alabama like Fairhope, Dothan, and Mobile will be able to come for ILC. It will be either August, September or October. We agreed to try Coosada Baptist Church to see if Pastor Jim Graham can accept to host ILC. Jeff will contact Pastor Jim.

Jeff made a goal for ABCD due to low attendance – three groups: ITP, college students who are interested in interpreting for ABCD/JrABCD. Jeff wants to re-open ITP for 2024. We dumped all the feedback for how we set up ITP with budget, outreach, etc to help Jeff to work on it. Jeff will contact Kris Courson to see if he is able to plan with him for ITP. Kristen will contact Vicki Stuart from Mississippi for more information, and she will find a way for the churches to support ITP or any other options. We all agreed.

Steve Dye worked on by-law with little changes, and he will turn in by Wednesday. He will discuss by-law changes at the ABCD meeting.

Joshua will come for his presentation about the potential plan and the meaning of “COST” (Connections, Outreach, Serve, and Training) to improve ABCD for future at the ABCD meeting. He will expand on all the details about what we can do for ABCD, Deaf Churches and Deaf Ministries.

Jeff will visit Birmingham Community Deaf Church on Jan 15th and then New Deaf Church on Jan 29th.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.
Steve Dye closed in prayer.