

*Hearing Loss Association of North Carolina  
Annual General Meeting  
Board of Trustee's Meeting  
Saturday – June 7, 2008  
Heritage Green – Greensboro, NC*

**Voting Trustees present: (9)**

Steve Barber, HLA-Wake  
**Julie Bishop**, HLA-Wake – Vice President  
**Joyce Adler**, HLA-At Large (HLA-Wake) - Secretary  
Beverly Elwell, HLA-Charlotte  
Bill Crowley, HLA-Winston-Salem  
Joan Black, HLA-at large  
John Black, HLA-at large  
Cynthia Harmon, HLA-Morganton  
Janet McGettrick, HLA-Wake  
**Michael Eury**, HLA-At Large

**Non-voting Members/Guests (7) present:**

Kelle Owens, CAN-CSDHH  
Susan Wilson, DSDHH-Greensboro  
Judith Pittillo, DSDHH-Asheville  
Jeff Mobley, DSDHH

**Voting Members (9) Regrets:**

Dianna Attaway, HLA-Henderson – State Coordinator  
Bill Shugart, HLA-Winston-Salem  
Wayne Giese, HLA-Morganton  
Myra White, HLA-Charlotte  
Ruth Miller, HLA-Chapel Hill  
Lorene Roberson, HLA-At Large  
**Deborah Stroud**, HLA-At Large (HLA-Wake) - Treasurer

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Agenda for June 7, 2008 Meeting  
Minutes of the February 23, 2008 Meeting  
Treasurer's Report as of May 31, 2008  
Printed material on Insurance Mandates - DSDHH

### **Call to Order – Board of Trustees Meeting /Meeting Protocol**

Vice President Julie Bishop called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.. Special thanks were given to Susan Wilson of DSDHH-Greensboro for bringing the ALDs and Kelle Owens with the Communication Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for providing Computer Assisted Notetaking. A tribute to Richard Wilson was made and presented to Susan Wilson.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Beverly Elwell presented the ***Treasurer's Report (in the absence of our current Treasurer, Deborah Stroud), as of May 31, 2008*** reporting a Beginning balance of \$15,248.71. A donation of \$1,000 was made to Beginnings and \$100 Income from Standard Hearing Aid Center for a banner ad on our website. This brings our balance to \$14,348.71.

√ The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.

### **Secretary's Report**

Secretary Joyce Adler presented the ***Minutes of the February 23, 2008 Board of Trustees' Meeting.***

√ The Minutes were accepted as presented.

### **Election of President**

Vice President Julie Bishop led the discussion on the election of President. Michael Eury was elected as our new President. Welcome!

### **Old Business**

#### **Chapter Updates:**

Winston-Salem chapter is doing well. We have another new member from Virginia.

Greensboro meets regularly. Attendance is up and down. We have enough members that are national to soon make it an official group.

Charlotte is meeting every other month. April was "Let's go to the Movies". It was an opened captioned movie. We had a booth in the lobby offering information on hearing loss. June's topic will be on Tinnitus

Wake Since moving from the Cary Senior Center to the Duke/Raleigh Hospital in north Raleigh, our attendance has been up. We've had several good meetings in last few months. Many good activities. We are planning a CI Seminar in September. There will be 6 members with CI's on the panel. The Wake Chapter has represented HLA-NC at Health Fairs, Senior Expo and NBC-17 Health Conference.

Lake Norman recently had picnic with Charlotte. Lake Norman and Morganton are dormant. Trying to pull together informal groups.

Concord/Cabarrus County Michael Eury still planning to start chapter in the area.

### **DSDHH Report – Jeff Mobley**

Jeff discussed a hand out he distributed. Insurance Mandates in all states, and legislative facts. Hearing loss in the Adult Senior Community and the many issues He also discussed the “meaning” of the Medicare Health Care Hearing Enactment Act. Jeff suggested members of NC Council for DHH, our new President, Michael Eury to participate in 1 year study. In gathering demographics, look to Iraq War Vets, teens as well as the older community to participate.

It was brought to our attention that it will be advantageous to hire a registered lobbyist. The cost is \$100 per year.

### **New Business**

Conference on Hearing in Worship Spaces – Joan Black

Joan discussed the conference that had been scheduled the end of May. The board decided to revisit and try again next Spring with more involvement of HLA-NC.

Walk 4 Hearing Committee formation – Julie Bishop

Julie asks for volunteers to help form a committee and plan a walk for next year (either Spring or Fall).

Newsletter and guidelines – Micheal Eury

Request for newsletter items for September 2008 Newsletter

- 100 word max. chapter updates
- Chapter officers/contact info
- Other pertinent items of interest to HLA-NC, and
- Dianna Attaway’s report/photos on HLAA National

.Julie presented a \$1,000 check to Beverly Elwell for Beginnings.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be September 20, 2008, subsequently changed to October 11, 2008.

### **Adjournment of Meeting**

Vice President Julie Bishop adjourned the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce M. Adler

July 30, 2008