Purpose of this Special Board Meeting: To review administrative procedures, address internal communication concerns, establish communication protocols moving forward, and review/discuss the conference hotel contract.

Kansas Association of the Deaf
Special Board Meeting Minutes
Location: Zoom
Date: June 19, 2026

I. Call to Order
President Katie Wise called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

II. Roll Call
President Katie Wise - Present
Vice President Mary Ellen Keck - Present
Secretary/Treasurer Raul Melgar - Present
Youth Program Coordinator Taylor Wise - Present
Appointed Board Member Lorrie Shank - Present
Appointed Board Member Michael Sullivan - Present
Appointed Board Member Jennifer Hart - Present

III. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
N/A

IV. Ratification of Email / Video Conference Motions from Board Members *(if applicable)*
N/A

V. Communications
N/A

VI. Reports of KAD Board Officers
A. President's Report - N/A
B. Vice President's Report - N/A
C. Secretary's Report - N/A
D. Treasurer's Report - N/A
E. Youth Program Coordinator's Report - N/A
F. Appointed Board Member 1's Report - N/A
G. Appointed Board Member 2's Report - N/A
H. Appointed Board Member 3's Report - N/A

Special Committee Reports:
N/A

VII. Unfinished Business
N/A

VIII. Important Business to Discuss *(may lead to motions)*
A. Bylaws & Handbook Policy Review
● Identifying and correcting gaps in our current administrative procedures.
B. Conflict Resolution
● Opening a constructive, neutral floor to address recent internal friction.
C. Communication Protocol
● Establishing standard timelines for how future meeting requests are handled.
D. Conference Hotel Contract Discussion

- Reviewing and discussing the final decision on the conference hotel contract.

IX. New Business

A. Motion(s):

KAD-BD-26-10: Mary Ellen Keck (Jennifer Hart) moved to drop the 2027 conference in Manhattan. **PASSED 7 Aye, 0 Nay, __ Abstain (6/19/2026)**

X. Announcement(s):

N/A

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned sine die at 8:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Raul Melgar
Secretary
Kansas Association of the Deaf

Date approved: 11.7.2026