Purpose of this Emergency Board Meeting: To review concerns regarding officer responsibilities and compliance with KAD bylaws and policies, and to discuss related Board governance matters.

Kansas Association of the Deaf

Emergency Board Meeting Minutes
Location: Zoom
Date: June 23, 2026

I. Call to Order

President Katie Wise called the meeting to order at 6:06 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 - Absent
Appointed Board Member Jennifer Hart - Present

III. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

N/A

IV. Ratification of Email / Video Conference Motions from Board Member *(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. Conflict Resolution

- Discussion regarding concerns related to the Vice President's duties, responsibilities, and compliance with KAD bylaws and policies. The Board reviewed prior discussions, previous warnings, and related actions.

IX. New Business

A. Motion(s):

KAD-BD-26-11: Lorrie Shank (Taylor Wise) moved that Vice President Mary Ellen Keck not attend the 2026 NAD Conference as a KAD delegate.
PASSED 5 Aye, 1 Nay, __ Abstain (6/23/2026)

KAD-BD-26-12: Taylor Wise (Lorrie Shank) moved that Mary Ellen Keck be removed from the position of Vice President and from the KAD Board, effective immediately.
PASSED 4 Aye, 2 Nay, __ Abstain (6/23/2026)

X. Announcement(s):

N/A

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned sine die at 6:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Raul Melgar
Secretary
Kansas Association of the Deaf

Date approved: 11.7.2026