



Something New

The Board met on Friday, January 23, just before a winter storm impacted much of the southern, midwestern, and eastern regions of the country. Board members in attendance were Eva, Wilmonda, Skye, Baranda, Kristin and Jeff.

The Board discussed strategies to continue reaching our Student Life audience and agreed to resume publishing a monthly newsletter whenever possible, rather than every other month. The newsletter will provide brief updates on NSLDHH Board initiatives, webinar flyers, and information about upcoming conferences.

Research

Eva and Wilmonda met with Russ from NTID to discuss his research. He requested access to the NSLDHH mailing list, which Skye provided. The survey was sent primarily to Directors and Supervisors of Student Life. Russ is interested in collecting data from both school administrators and Student Life professionals. The data will be used to help develop coursework toward a degree, as he believes Student Life focused coursework is important. This initiative is still a work in progress.



CEASD

Eva, Wilmonda, and Matt submitted a proposal to present at the Conference of Educational Administrators of Schools and Programs for the Deaf (CEASD), as we believe NSLDHH has valuable contributions to offer.

During the February 10th webinar, Matt told the audience the proposal got approved!

Certificates

Wilmonda and Baranda discussed the Student Life Certification and how it can be made more meaningful to a broader audience. After the December/January newsletter was distributed, we learned that Superintendents of Schools and Programs for the Deaf do read our newsletter. A Superintendent reached out to Wilmonda with concerns regarding the Student Life certification. We explained that broader discussion is needed to ensure the certification is beneficial and meaningful to all stakeholders. This topic will be incorporated into our February 3 webinar series and referenced in our CEASD presentation. Please share your thoughts and input, as they are highly valued.

Webinars

Matt shared his information that webinar for February March and April are set. He will continue to work on flyers to be distributed.

Next Month

The Board will meet next on Tuesday, February 24. Our next webinar is on Tuesday, February 24 also.

Conference

Jeff has made significant progress in planning for the 2027 Conference. He has created a "Save the Date" postcard, secured a sponsor, and confirmed a banquet location. The postcard will be distributed soon to announce the 2027 Conference at the Wisconsin School for the Deaf.

NSLDHH Store

Kristin is collaborating with a Deaf-owned company to launch an NSLDHH apparel store. Eva, Wilmonda, and Skye have agreed to place initial orders to review the products before the store is launched more broadly. Orders will be placed online and shipped directly to individuals. At this time, there will be no profit generated for NSLDHH.



NSLDHH'S MARCH WEBINAR

CEASD Accreditation: Standard 11
Student Life, Student Activities, and Residential

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2026
1:30 PM EST/12:30 PM CST/11:30 AM MST/10:30 AM PST

This webinar will be facilitated by
Russell O. West, M.Ed.
Visiting Assistant Professor, NTID Department of Education
and Chair of CEASD Accreditation Committee

Next Webinar will be on Tuesday, March 31st
Open Forum with Student Life Leaders & Participants
to discuss CEASD Standard 11,
gather feedback, and explore recommended changes for the CEASD Board.

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