



Deaf Community of Riverside  
General quarterly meeting #1  
January 20, 2025

**Location:** CODIE, Riverside

**Time:** 7:00pm

Meeting Agenda

**President**

Barbie Gomez

**Vice President**

Jens Rechenberg

**Secretary**

Ryan "RyRy" Fingerle

**Treasurer**

vacant

**Center on Deafness,  
Inland Empire**

Lisa Price,  
Regional Director

**DeaFestival Coordinator-**

Mike Anderson

**California School for the  
Deaf, Riverside**

Moon Feris

**Community-at-Large**

David Reynolds

- I: Welcome - 7:01 p.m.  
II: Attendance/Visitors- 5 visitors, Jens and Moon were absent.  
III: Minutes: 1.18.2024- Approved  
III: Reports:

President Report: Barbie Gomez - Greeted the audience and thanked them for their presence. Discussed about the upcoming events/DCR 2024 projects.

- ASL Story Signing at CSDR (JAN 22)
- Opening Ceremony of William's Tournament at CSDR (JAN 23)
- FSCA Meeting (FEB 5th) - Kimberly
- Community ASL at Downtown/Bookstore (FEB 20) - Moon
- CAC Meeting at CSDR for DCR & CODIE (FEB 27)

Vice President Report: Jens Rechenberg - Absent -  
Operating Report: US BANK - Added Zelle, Removed Altura. Have set up everything needed for DeaFestival  
NOTES: Need to file Taxes as nonprofit

Secretary Report: RyRy Fingerle - No Report

Treasurer Report: vacant - \$5,4053.70

Motion 2025-001: President Barbie made a motion to have Kaveh Angoorani as Interim Treasurer. VOTED PASSED

IV: Committees Report:

- 1) DeaFestival 2025 Coordinator:
  - a) Vote for Coordinator Anderson  
Motion 2025-002: President Barbie made a motion to have Mike Anderson to chairperson of DeaFestival 2026. VOTED PASSED
- 2) Socialite Fundraising: April 19, 2025
  - a) Vote for Coordinator LL Price  
Motion 2025-003: President Barbie made a motion for Lisa P, Chairperson of Socialite to have a theme called Roaring 20's. VOTED PASSED
- 3) Grants
  - a) Implementation

- (Mike A)
- It's time to work on grants
- Dept of Education grants for UCR?
- NEA for “my hometown” DeafFestival
- Grants with new annex Deaf Cultural Community Center (state of Calif.)
- Grants for Low Income/homelessness programs for Deaf

V: Community Report:

- 1) Center on Deafness Inland Empire: Lisa Price \*
- 2) Commission of the Deaf: Mike Anderson\*
  - January meeting was cancelled due to fires/smokes
  - COTD will have new election Chair/Co-Chair
  - Mike is working on “Prezi” for outreach section (Action Plan 2050)
  - Wanted to see more action than guests; more appointments with city officials
  - a) City of Riverside “historian” Go to VIII Announcement section.
- 3) California School for the Deaf, Riverside: Moon Feris\*  
(President Barbie shared notes on her absence)-  
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  - Love & Literacy at various locations [GLAD, CODIE, DCS, and University High School] (March 15th)
  - Boys of Riverside Celebration at Riverside Public Library (March 15th)
  - Every Wednesday starting JAN 22 until the end of MAY - FAMILY ASL classes 6-7 p.m. OPEN to families with Deaf children.
- 4) Riverside Community: David O Reynolds
  - New Deaf Riverside Pickleball Club in the works
  - January 31st- CSDR’s 72nd birthday and ribbon cutting new Pickleball
  - State of the City January 30th (Chamber of Commerce link)
  - Deaf Riverside cycling club launched
  - Riverside Deaf Seniors had a holiday banquet. very successful- 104 people
  - Deaf organizations: Deaf Silent Bowlers; SoCal Deaf disc golf will have national tournament in Maine (july)
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- 5) University of California Riverside: Up-To-Date
  - Josh and Mike drafted a letter to Ken B., Beth C., and Provost to have another meeting to pursue the new Deaf Education program.
- 6) Deaf Cultural Community Center: Up-To-Date
  - David Reynolds mentioned that it is “inactive” because we need to revisit and make the right contacts: State Senators, State Assemblymembers, and City of Riverside Council members..

VI: UpComing Events:

- 1) April 19, 2025- *Roaring 20's at Riverside Women's Club*  
(Same space as of last year. Increased people max from 110-135. It is the oldest organization in Riverside Women's Club. We were describing the place as we remembered from last year. Also discussed about alcohol report needs referred by)

VII: Business motion:

- 1) Close Altura bank account (USBANK already has new accounts)  
Motion 2025-004: President Barbie made a motion to have our current Altura Bank to close and move funds to our current account- USBANK. VOTED to Tabled (Kaveh will explore the possibility of two accounts or one) [Discussion on hold for April meeting]  
Motion 2025-005: Kaveh made a motion to have DCR sponsoring a new Deaf Riverside Pickleball club eight (8) new nets. VOTED PASSED with an understanding that DRPC members will help with Roaring 20's and 50% profits to purchase nets. (Lisa P. Chair approved)
- 2) Open: [agenda (P.O. Box) - hold for next meeting]

VIII: Announcement:

Mike A: explained about Dr. Bowling from CBU. It began with Riverside's Museum project. Dr. Pederson reached Dr. Bowling about more research on Deaf history in Riverside.

- Seniors
- CSDR invitations
- Adjusting the website
- Mike will set up an appointment with Pat Davis on January 29th.
- Mike reached out to Kevin Struxness about this project.
- Mike will contact Dennis Cruz (if known to history)
- Will reach the family of Burt Schumdt because his wife was from Riverside before CSDR was established.
- There will be more upcoming....

Next DCR meeting: April 21, 2025

IX: Adjourned - 8:42 p.m.

\*written transcript if possible