

Update on UAD Conferences and Officer Information

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Dear UAD Community,

The Utah Association of the Deaf (UAD) holds conferences every two years, along with its officers. We want to express our gratitude to our officers for their dedicated service on the UAD board. Please refer to the provided list for information on past UAD conferences, including the years, locations, and details on the officers and their years of service.

Your participation in this process is crucial. Please email Jodi Becker at JodiBecker28@gmail.com with the following information: the names of the officers, their years of service, any resignations, and any replacements. This will help facilitate an update on the officer elections. Thank you!

I would also like to take a moment to personally thank Valerie G. Kinney, a devoted member of the Utah Association of the Deaf, for her invaluable efforts in documenting the officers and recognizing their contributions to the Utah Deaf community.

I appreciate your cooperation,

Jodi Christel Becker

**The Establishment of Utah Association of the Deaf
The First Triennial Convention
June 10-12, 1909
Utah School for the Deaf, Ogden**

Founders of Utah Association of the Deaf

President pro tem	Frank M. Driggs
Secretary pro tem	Elsie M. Christiansen
Bylaws Committee	Melville J. Matheis
Bylaws Committee	Elizabeth DeLong
Bylaws Committee	Paul Mark

1909 – 1912

President	Elizabeth DeLong
First Vice President	Jacob Beck
Second Vice President	Ivy L. Griggs
Secretary	Melville J. Matheis
Treasurer	Paul Mark

**Second Triennial Convention
June 5-8, 1912
Utah School for the Deaf, Ogden**

1912 – 1915

President	Elizabeth DeLong
First Vice President	Paul Mark
Second Vice President	L. Elgin Jacobson
Secretary	Melville J. Matheis
Treasurer	S. Anna Moore

**Third Triennial Convention
June 9-12, 1915
Utah School for the Deaf, Ogden**

1915-1918

President	Paul Mark
First Vice President	Mary Woolslayer
Second Vice President	Cecil J. Hertell
Secretary	Emma M. Emmertson
Treasurer	L. Elgin Jacobson

**No convention was held in 1918 due to
World War I
Term extended to 1920**

**Fourth Triennial Convention
June 3-5, 1920
Utah School for the Deaf, Ogden**

1920 – 1923

President	Arthur W. Wenger
First Vice President	L. Elgin Jacobson
Second Vice President	Elsie M. Christiansen
Secretary	Ray G. Wenger
Treasurer	Gladys H. Burnham

**Fifth Triennial Convention
June 11-13, 1923
Utah School for the Deaf, Ogden**

1923 – 1926

President	Arthur W. Wenger
First Vice President	Elsie M. Christiansen
Second Vice President	Carlos W. Seegmiller
Secretary	Ray G. Wenger
Treasurer	Alfred C. Keeley

**Sixth Triennial Convention
June 3-5, 1926
Utah School for the Deaf, Ogden**

1926 – 1929

President	Alfred C. Keeley
First Vice President	Joshua E. Wright
Second Vice President	J. Veda Crawford
Secretary	D. Hart Wenger
Treasurer	Gladys H. Burnham

**Seventh Triennial Convention
May 29-31, 1929
Utah School for the Deaf, Ogden**

1929 – 1931

President	Joshua E. Wright
First Vice President	Grant R. Morgan
Second Vice President	Catherine (Katie) E. Jones
Secretary	E. Ross Thurston
Treasurer	Gladys H. Burnham

**Eighth Triennial Convention
September 2-6, 1931
Utah School for the Deaf, Ogden**

1931 – 1934

President	E. Ross Thurston
First Vice President	Catherine Crawford
Second Vice President	Grant R. Morgan
Secretary	Florence E. Stebbins
Treasurer	Gladys H. Burnham

**Ninth Triennial Convention
May 31-June 2, 1934
Utah School for the Deaf, Ogden**

1934 – 1936

President	E. Ross Thurston
First Vice President	Grant R. Morgan
Second Vice President	Chester C. Dobson
Secretary	George L. Laramie
Treasurer	Gladys H. Burnham
Board of Trustees	Kate O. Keeley 2 year term
	Gilman Stebbins 4 year term
	Paul Mark, Chair 6 year term

**Tenth Triennial Convention
August 21-23, 1936
Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City**

1936 – 1938

President	George L. Laramie
First Vice President	John W. Glassett (resigned – date?) Alfred C. Keeley (appointed after)
Second Vice President	Lillian S. Cole
Secretary	Georgia Hendricks
Treasurer	Ferdinand T. Billeter
Board of Trustees	Gilman Stebbins (resigned 10-3-37)
	E. Ross Thurston (appointed 10-3-37)
	Paul Mark, Chair 6 year term
	Justina Keeley

**Eleventh Biennial Convention
September 2-4, 1938
Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City**

1938 – 1940

President	D. Hart Wenger
First Vice President	E. Ross Thurston
Second Vice President	Lillian S. Cole
Secretary	Dora B. Laramie
Treasurer	Ferdinand T. Billeter
Board of Trustees	Paul Mark, Chair
	Justina Keeley
	George L. Laramie 6 year term

**Twelfth Biennial Convention
August 30-September 1, 1940
Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City**

1940 – 1942

President	Joseph B. Burnett
First Vice President	William Cole (resigned 2-8-1942) Carlos W. Seegmiller (appointed 2-8-1942)
Second Vice President	Carlos W. Seegmiller (resigned 2-8-1942) E. Ross Thurston (appointed 2-8-1942)
Secretary	Lillian S. Cole
Treasurer	Verl T. Thorup
Board of Trustees	Justina Keeley
	George L. Laramie
	Rodney W. Walker 6 year term

**No convention was held in 1942 due to
World War II
Term extended to 1944**

**Thirteenth Biennial Convention
September 2-3, 1944
Ben Lomond Hotel, Ogden**

1944 – 1946

President	Ned C. Wheeler
First Vice President	John W. Glassett
Second Vice President	Eugene Plumby
Third Vice President	Gladys B. Wenger
Secretary	Earl L. Rogerson
Treasurer	Verl T. Thorup

Board of Trustees	George L. Laramie
	Rodney W. Walker
	Catherine (Katie) J. Morgan, 6 year term

**Fourteenth Biennial Convention
August 30-September 1, 1946
Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City**

1946 – 1948

President	E. Ross Thurston
Vice President	Alton P. Fisher
Secretary	Rodney W. Walker
Treasurer	Dora B. Laramie
Board of Trustees	Verl W. Thorup, Chair
	Catherine (Katie) J. Morgan
	Gladys A. Hind

**Fifteenth Biennial Convention
September 3-5, 1948
Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City**

1948 – 1951

President	Rodney W. Walker
Vice President	George L. Laramie
Secretary	Justina Keeley
Treasurer	Dora B. Laramie
Board of Trustees	Catherine (Katie) J. Morgan
	Gladys A. Hind
	Frank W. Stone

**Sixteenth Triennial Convention
May 25-26, 1951
Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City**

1951 – 1954

President	Rodney W. Walker
Vice President	John W. Glassett
Secretary	Eugene W. Petersen
Treasurer	Gladys A. Hind
Board of Trustees	Justina Keeley, Chair
	Frank W. Stone
	Milo Cutler, new

**Seventeenth Triennial Convention
May 28-30, 1954
Murray B. Allen Center for the Blind, Salt Lake City**

1954 – 1957

President	Joseph B. Burnett
Vice President	Eugene W. Petersen
Secretary	Robert G. Sanderson
Treasurer	Robert J. Welsh (resigned 5-20-1956) G. Leon Curtis (appointed 5-20-1956)
Board of Trustees	Frank W. Stone
	Milo Cutler holdover
	Dora B. Laramie – new

**Incorporation of the Association of the Deaf
 April 19, 1956
 Murray B. Allen Center for the Blind
 Salt Lake City Utah**

Executive Officer

President	Arthur W. Wenger
Vice President	Ned C. Wheeler
Secretary	Robert G. Sanderson
Treasurer	Robert J. Welsh (resigned 5-20-1956) G. Leon Curtis (appointed 5-20-1956)
Chairman	Ned C. Wheeler
Board Members	D. Hart Wenger
	Eugene W. Peterson
	G. Leon Curtis (moved up 5-20-1956)
	Gladys A. Hind
	Mario D. Honey
	Justina Keeley
	Gladys B. Wenger
Board of Trustees	Frank W. Stone (chair, 2 year term)
	Milo Cutler (4 year term)
	Dora B. Laramie (6 year term)

**Eighteenth Triennial Convention
May 24-26, 1957
Utah Power and Light Company, Ogden**

1957 -1960

President	Arthur W. Wenger
Vice President	Eugene W. Petersen
Secretary	Robert G. Sanderson
Treasurer	G. Leon Curtis
Chair	Ned C. Wheeler
Board Members	Marlo D. Honey
	John (Jack) F. White
	Kenneth L. Kinner
	Bruce M. Eyre
	W. David Mortensen
	Gladys B. Wenger
Board of Trustees	Milo Cutler
	Dora B. Laramie
	Gladys B. Wenger

**Nineteenth Triennial Convention
 May 20-21, 1960
 Prudential Federal Savings and Loan Plaza, Salt Lake City**

1960 – 1963

President	Robert G. Sanderson
Vice President	Gladys B. Wenger
Secretary	Eugene W. Petersen
Treasurer	G. Leon Curtis
Chairman	Ned C. Wheeler
Board Members	Joseph B. Burnett
	Kenneth L. Kinner
	Robert J. Welsh
	John (Jack) F. White
	John W. Glassett
	Arthur W. Wenger
Board of Trustees	Dora B. Laramie
	Gladys B. Wenger
	Donald L. Jensen

**Twentieth Biennial Convention
June 28-29, 1963
Hotel Utah, Salt Lake City**

1963 – 1965

President	G. Leon Curtis
Vice President	Ned C. Wheeler
Secretary	Eugene W. Petersen
Treasurer	W. Richard Brubaker
Chairman	Joseph B. Burnett
Board of Directors	Glen W. Ross
	Peter M. Green
	Jerry W. Westberg
	Kenneth L. Kinner
	Robert G. Sanderson
	C. Roy Cochran
Board of Trustees	Gladys B. Wenger
	Donald L. Jensen
	Dora B. Laramie New

**Name of the organization changed from Utah Association of the Deaf to
Utah Association for the Deaf. Application approved by State of Utah
February 26, 1964.**

**Twenty-First Biennial Convention
June 18-20, 1965
Ben Lomond Hotel, Ogden**

1965 – 1967

President	Eugene W. Petersen
Vice President	Ned C. Wheeler
Secretary	G. Leon Curtis
Treasurer	W. Richard Brubaker
Chairman	Joseph B. Burnett
Board of Directors	Kenneth L. Kinner
	George L. Laramie
	Jerry W. Westberg
	C. Roy Cochran
	Peter M. Green
	Keith C. Nelson
Board of Trustees	Donald L. Jensen
	Dora B. Laramie
	Gladys B. Wenger (New)

**Twenty-Second Biennial Convention
June 23-25, 1967
Ramada Inn, Salt Lake City**

1967- 1969

President	G. Leon Curtis
Vice President	Joseph B. Burnett
Secretary	Priscilla J. Burdett
Treasurer	Dennis R. Platt
Chairman	Kenneth L. Kinner
Board of Directors	Ned C. Wheeler
	George L. Laramie
	Robert G. Sanderson
	C. Roy Cochran
	Spencer C. Hind
	W. Richard Brubaker
Board of Trustees	Gladys B. Wenger 1 st Trustee
	George L. Laramie 2 nd Trustee
	Dora B. Laramie 3 rd Trustee

**Twenty-Third Biennial Convention
June 27-28, 1969
Ramada Inn, Salt Lake City**

1969 – 1971

President	Dennis R. Platt
Vice President	Joseph B. Burnett
Secretary	Valerie G. Platt
Treasurer	W. Richard Brubaker
Chairman	Ned C. Wheeler
Board of Directors	Robert G. Sanderson
	W. David Mortensen

	Robert L. Bonnell
	Gene D. Stewart
	Lloyd H. Perkins
	George L. Laramie
Board of Trustees	George L. Laramie 1 st Trustee
	Dora B. Laramie 2 nd Trustee
	LaVerne P. Burnett 3 rd Trustee

**Twenty-Fourth Biennial Convention
June 25-26, 1971
Tri-Arc Lodge, Salt Lake City**

1971 – 1973	
President	W. David Mortensen
Vice President	Lloyd H. Perkins
Secretary	Beth Ann Stewart
Treasurer	Gerald (Jerry) R. Taylor
Chairman	Ned C. Wheeler
Board Members	Kenneth C. Burdett
	G. Leon Curtis
	Dennis R. Platt
	Robert G. Sanderson
	Gene D. Stewart
	Robert J. Welsh
Board of Trustees	Dora B. Laramie, Chair
	LaVerne P. Burnett
	Gaye B. Collins (new)

**Twenty-Fifth Biennial Convention
June 14-16, 1973
Weber State College, Ogden**

1973 – 1975

President	W. David Mortensen
Vice President	Lloyd H. Perkins
Secretary	Beth Ann Stewart
Treasurer	Gerald (Jerry) R. Taylor
Chairman	Ned C. Wheeler
Board Members	Madelaine P. Burton
	Dennis R. Platt
	Robert G. Sanderson
	Bridget M. Laramie
	Kenneth L. Kinner
	C. Roy Cochran
Board of Trustees	LaVerne P. Burnett, Chair
	Lynn G. Losee (new)
	Nellie M. Sausedo (new)

**Twenty-Sixth Biennial Convention
June 19-21, 1975
Ramada Inn, Salt Lake City**

1975 – 1977

President	W. David Mortensen
Vice President	Fay R. Young
Secretary	Dr. Robert G. Sanderson
Treasurer	Gerald (Jerry) R. Taylor
Chairman	Dennis R. Platt
Board Members	Robert L. Bonnell
	Joseph B. Burnett
	Peter M. Green

	Gene D. Stewart
	Ned C. Wheeler
	George D. Wilding
Board of Trustees	Lynn G. Losee, Chair
	Nellie M. Sausedo
	Bridget M. Laramie (new)

**Just before the 1975 convention on June 9, 1975,
the board of directors approved the new UAD emblem.
Don Mortensen, brother of W. David Mortensen, designed the emblem.**

**Twenty-Seventh Biennial Convention
June 16-18, 1977
Salt Lake Hilton, Salt Lake City**

1977 – 1979

President	W. David Mortensen
Vice President	Paul H. Chamberlain (resigned 1-6-1978) Robert L. Bonnell (appointed 2-26-1978)
Secretary	Dr. Robert G. Sanderson
Treasurer	Gerald (Jerry) R. Taylor
Chairman	Ned C. Wheeler (resigned 4-23-1978) Peter M. Green (appointed 6-11-1978)
Board Members	Fay R. Young
	Beth Ann (Stewart) Campbell
	Robert L. Bonnell (moved up 2-26-1978)
	Peter M. Green (moved up 6-11-1978)
	Jerry Stilwell (resigned 10-8-78)
	George D. Wilding (resigned 11-17-78)
	Joseph B. Burnett (appointed 3-13-78)
	Bruce T. Aldridge (appointed 6-11-78)
	Robert J. Welsh (appointed 10-8-78)
	Lloyd H. Perkins (appointed 11-19-78)

Board of Trustees	Nellie M. Sausedo, Chair
	Bridget M. Laramie
	Joseph B. Burnett (new) (moved up 3-13-1978)
	(Replacement not noted)

**Twenty-Eighth Biennial Convention
June 21-23, 1979
Majestic Oaks Mobile Homes Park, Murray**

1979 – 1981

President	W. David Mortensen
Vice President	Lloyd H. Perkins
Secretary	Dr. Robert G. Sanderson
Treasurer	Gerald (Jerry) R. Taylor
Chairman	Peter M. Green
Board Members	Bruce T. Aldridge
	Gary L. Leavitt
	W. Clem Sevy
	Joseph B. Burnett
	Rollin S. Jones
	Beth Ann (Stewart) Campbell
Board of Trustees	Bridget M. Laramie, Chair
	Marvin V. Hanson (new) (resigned 3-11- 1981, not replaced)
	Mary M. Sanderson (new)

**Twenty-Ninth Biennial Convention
June 12-13, 1981
Salt Lake Airport Hilton, Salt Lake City**

1981 – 1983

President	W. David Mortensen
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Vice President	Joseph B. Burnett
Secretary	Dr. Robert G. Sanderson
Treasurer	Gerald (Jerry) R. Taylor
Chairman	Peter M. Green
Board Members	Dennis R. Platt
	C. Roy Cochran
	Bruce T. Aldridge (resigned 12-20-1981)
	Beth Ann (Stewart) Campbell (appointed 1/28/82)
	Alden M. Broomhead
	Gene D. Stewart
	Norman B. Williams
Board of Trustees	Mary M. Sanderson, Chair
	Carol R. Wilson (new)
	Steve Sawyer (new)

Dr. Robert G. Sanderson was on sabbatical leave from August 1981 to May 1982 while at Gallaudet College to fulfill the Dr. Powrie Vaux Doctor Chair. In his absence, Gene Stewart and Dennis Platt filled in as secretary pro tem.

**Thirtieth Biennial Convention
October 7-8, 1983
Utah Community Center for the Deaf, Bountiful**

1983 – 1985

President	W. David Mortensen
Vice President	Dennis R. Platt
Secretary	Robert G. DeSpain (resigned 1-4-1985) Rodney W. Walker (appointed 1-4-1985)
Treasurer	Gerald (Jerry) R. Taylor
Chairman	Peter M. Green (resigned 8-19-1984) C. Roy Cochran (appointed 9-16-1984)

Board Members	C. Roy Cochran (moved up 9-16-1984)
	Dr. Robert G. Sanderson
	Glen W. Ross (resigned, no date available)
	Lois M. Williams
	Alden M. Broomhead
	Lloyd H. Perkins
	George L. Laramie (appointed 11-27-1984)
Board of Trustees	Carol R. Wilson, Chair
	Celia May Baldwin
	Fred J. Bass

The 1983 convention was postponed to due to flooding in and around the Utah Community Center for the Deaf in Bountiful, Utah. Ongoing repairs further postponed the convention.

**First convention date: June 10-11-1983; postponed
Second convention date: July 30-31, 1983; postponed
Third convention date: October 7-8, 1983**

**Thirty-First Biennial Convention
June 14-15, 1985
Utah Community Center for the Deaf, Bountiful**

1985 – 1987

President	C. Roy Cochran
Vice President	Dennis R. Platt
Secretary	Robert G. DeSpain (resigned 12-10-1985) Rodney W. Walker (appointed 2-1-1986)
Treasurer	Nellie M. Sausedo
Chairman	Stanley L. O’Neal (resigned 9-7-1985) Dennis R. Platt (appointed 11-2-1985) (held both vice president and chairman positions)
Board Members	Dr. Robert G. Sanderson
	Robert J. Welsh
	Lloyd H. Perkins (resigned 8-3-1985)
	Judy R. Saunders (resigned 9-9-1985)
	Kirk D. Walker (resigned 10-12-1985)
	Reid O. Simonsen (resigned 1-3-1986)
	George L. Laramie (appointed 10-12-1985)
	Glen (Corky) C. Sparr (appointed 10-12-1985; resigned 6-5-1986)
	George B. Gavros (appointed 10-12-1985)
	Rodney W. Walker (appointed 10-15-1985; moved up 2-1-1986)
	Peter M. Green (appointed 2-1-1986)
	W. David Mortensen (appointed 2-1-1986)
	Marsha L. Thurston (appointed 6-7-1986)
Board of Trustees	Celia May Baldwin 1 st Trustee/Chair (resigned 8-5-1986)
	LaRue A. Ross, Chair (appointed 9-6-1986)
	Fred J. Bass 2 nd Trustee
	Glen (Corky) C. Sparr 3 rd Trustee (resigned 6-5-1986)
	Bruce R. Van Kampen, 3 rd trustee (appointed 9-6-1986)

**Thirty-Second Biennial Convention
June 12-13, 1987
Excelsior Hotel, Provo**

1987 – 1989

President	W. David Mortensen
Vice President	Dennis R. Platt (resigned 5-3-1988) Lloyd H. Perkins (appointed 6-7-1988)
Secretary	S. Annette Peebler
Treasurer	Dr. Jay J. Campbell (resigned 12-3-1987) Peter M. Green (appointed 12-3-1987)
Chairman	C. Roy Cochran
Board Members	Peter M. Green (moved up 12-3-1987)
	Lloyd H. Perkins (moved up 6-7-1988)
	Beth Ann (Stewart) Campbell
	James R. Harper
	Stanley L. O’Neal
	Jerry W. Westberg
	Shirley A. Snow (appointed 12-3-1987)
	Ronald J. Nelson (appointed 5-3-1988)
Board of Trustees	Fred J. Bass, Chair
	W. David Samuelsen
	Reid O. Simonsen

**Utah Association for the Deaf operated Relay Utah, starting
January 12, 1988. Madelaine Burton was the first director.**

**Thirty-Third Biennial Convention
June 17-19, 1989
University Park Hotel, Salt Lake City**

1989 – 1991

President	W. David Mortensen
Vice President	Ronald J. Nelson
Secretary	Rodney W. Walker (resigned 4-1-1990) Ronald J. Nelson (appointed 4-6-1990)
Treasurer	Peter M. Green
Chairman	Dr. Robert G. Sanderson
Board Members	C. Roy Cochran
	Beth Ann (Stewart) Campbell (resigned 7-10-1990)
	Ronald J. Nelson (moved up 4-6-1990)
	Shirley A. Snow
	Kenneth L. Kinner
	Jerry W. Westberg
	Lee A. Shepherd
	S. Annette Peebler (appointed 4-1-1990)
	S. Clay Crye (appointed 8-7-1990)
Board of Trustees	William G. Vicars, Chair
	S. Annette Peebler
	Dennis R. Platt

**Thirty-Fourth Biennial Convention
June 13-15, 1991
Salt Lake Airport Hilton, Salt Lake City**

1991 – 1993

President	Lyle G. Mortensen
Vice President	Lynn G. Losee
Secretary	Dale E. Link
Treasurer	Peter M. Green
Chairman	W. David Mortensen
Board Members	Patricia A. Walker
	Kenneth L. Kinner
	Lee A. Shepherd
	Alan B. Donaldson
	Norman B. Williams (resigned 8-19-1992)
	R. Layne Owens (resigned 11-19-1992)
	Cleo F. Peterson (appointed 1-5-1993)
	William G. Vicars (appointed 9-1-1992)
Board of Trustees	S. Annette Peebler
	Robert J. Welsh
	John (Jack) F. White

**Thirty-Fifth Biennial Convention
June 17-19, 1993
Utah Community Center for the Deaf, Taylorsville**

1993 – 1995

President	W. David Mortensen
Vice President	Lynn G. Losee
Secretary	Valerie G. Kinney
Treasurer	Peter M. Green
Chairman	Patricia A. Walker (resigned 9-7-1993) Ronald J. Nelson (appointed 9-7-1993)
Board Members	William G. Vicars
	W. David Samuelsen
	Shirley H. Platt
	Thomas Novick
	Patricia A. Walker (moved down 9-7-1993)
	Ronald J. Nelson (moved up 9-7-1993)
	Gary L. Leavitt (resigned 12-9-1993)
	Frank DeRiggi (appointed 3-1-1994)
Board of Trustees	Robert J. Welsh, Chair
	John (Jack) F. White
	Rodney W. Walker

**Thirty-Sixth Biennial Convention
June 15-17, 1995
Utah School for the Deaf, Ogden**

1995 – 1997

President	W. David Mortensen
Vice President	Valerie G. Kinney
Secretary	Ronald J. Nelson (resigned 4-2-1996) Hester (Polly) Parsons (appointed 4-2-1996, resigned 3-13-1997)
Treasurer	Peter M. Green
Chairman	John (Johnny) C. Peebler
Board Members	W. David Samuelsen
	Shirley H. Platt
	Edward L. Bell
	Lee A. Shepherd
	Lynn G. Losee
	Hester (Polly) Parson (moved up 4-2-1996, resigned 3-13-1997)
	Ronald J. Nelson (moved down 4-2-1996)
	Stanley L. O’Neal (appointed 3-13-1997)
Board of Trustees	John (Jack) F. White, Chair
	Rodney W. Walker, 2 nd trustee
	Dr. Robert G. Sanderson, 3 rd trustee (resigned 1-1-1996)
	George B. Gavros, 3 rd trustee (appointed 1-2-1996)

**Thirty-Seventh Biennial Convention
June 13-14, 1997
Salt Lake Airport Hilton, Salt Lake City**

1997 – 1999

President	Dennis R. Platt
Vice President	Valerie G. Kinney
Secretary	Robert J. O'Brien
Treasurer	Peter M. Green
Chairman	John (Johnny) C. Peebler
Board Members	Julio Diaz Jr
	Robert G. Kerr
	W. David Mortensen
	Shirley H. Platt
	Herbert D. Royce
	Lee A. Shepherd
Board of Trustees	Rodney W. Walker
	Carolyn Ball
	George B. Gavros

**Thirty-Eighth Biennial Conference
June 11-12, 1999
Provo Marriott, Provo**

1999 – 2001

President	Dennis R. Platt
Vice President	Ronald J. Nelson
Secretary	Valerie G. Kinney
Treasurer	Peter M. Green
Chairman	Richard (Ricky) Rose
Board Members	Robert J. O'Brien
	Julio Diaz Jr
	Wayne O. Stoltz
	Herbert D. Royce
	Shirley H. Platt
	John (Johnny) C. Peebler (resigned 6-27-2000)
	S. Clay Crye (appointed 9-9-2000)

**At the 1999 conference, it was decided to call the biennial event
“conference” and not “convention.”**

**At the 1999 conference, it was decided not to have a board of trustees.
The Relay Utah Service officially closed January 29, 2000.**

**Thirty-Ninth Biennial Conference
June 8-9, 2001
Utah Community Center for the Deaf
and Hard of Hearing, Taylorsville**

2001 – 2003

President	Ronald J. Nelson
Vice President	S. Clay Crye
Secretary	Valerie G. Kinney
Treasurer	Peter M. Green (passed away 5/25/2003)
Chairman	Robert J. O'Brien (resigned 10/13/2001) Robert G. Kerr (appointed 10/13/2001)
Board Members	Robert G. Kerr (moved up 10/13/2001)
	Dennis R. Platt
	Wayne O. Stoltz (appointed 10/13/2001; resigned 5/11/2002)
	George B. Gavros (appointed 10/12/2002)
Board Members	Eleanor B. McCowan
	Boyd D. Collins
	April J. Trocki
	Max T. Hardy
President Emeritus	Rodney W. Walker (appointed 6-2-2001)

At the general meeting on March 23, 2002, it was decided to go back to 11 board members from 9. Hence four new board members were elected.

At the 2001 conference, it was decided to establish the President Emeritus position, which is awarded to the eldest serving president. At this time Rodney W. Walker was appointed to this position.

**Fortieth Biennial Conference
June 13-14, 2003
Utah Community Center of the Deaf
and Hard of Hearing, Taylorsville**

2003 – 2005

President	Ronald J. Nelson
Vice President	Eleanor B. McCowan
Secretary	Valerie G. Kinney
Treasurer	Dennis R. Platt
Chairman	Robert G. Kerr
Board Members	W. David Mortensen
	Nancy L. O'Brien
	John (Johnny) C. Peebler
	Dr. Robert G. Sanderson
	George D. Wilding
	Dr. Lawrence (Larry) H. Forestal (resigned 7/2/2004)
	Keith C. Nelson (appointed 9/18/2004)
President Emeritus	Rodney W. Walker (appointed 6-2-2001)

**Forty-First Biennial Conference
June 9-11, 2005
Robert G. Sanderson Community Center of the Deaf
and Hard of Hearing, Taylorsville**

2005 – 2007

President	Robert G. Kerr
Vice President	April J. Trocki
Secretary	Ronald J. Nelson
Treasurer	Dennis R. Platt
Chair	Nancy L. O'Brien
Board Members	W. David Mortensen
	Dr. Robert G. Sanderson
	George D. Wilding
	Linda S. Berness
	L. Jay Christensen
	Eleanor B. McCowan
President Emeritus	Rodney W. Walker (passed away 8-2-2007)

**Forty-Second Biennial Conference
September 14-15, 2007
Robert G. Sanderson Community Center of the Deaf
and Hard of Hearing, Taylorsville**

2007 – 2009

President	Robert G. Kerr
Vice President	Duane L. Kinner
Secretary	Eleanor B. McCowan
Treasurer	Dennis R. Platt (resigned 12-31-2008) Valerie G. Kinney (appointed 1-3-2009)
Chairman	Trenton Marsh
Board Members	Linda S. Berness
	Ronald J. Nelson
	Nancy L. O'Brien
	Matthew (Matt) T. Snarr
	George D. Wilding
	Jeffrey (Jeff) W. Pollock (resigned 4-5-2008)
	Valerie G. Kinney (appointed 5-3-2008, moved up 1-3-2009)
	Jennifer A. Byrnes (appointed 2-7-2009)
President Emeritus	Dr. Robert G. Sanderson (appointed 8-2-2007)

**Rodney W. Walker, President Emeritus, passed away
August 2, 2007. Dr. Robert G. Sanderson, being the eldest past
president, assumed this position.**

**Forty-Third Biennial Conference
 May 7-9, 2009
 100th Anniversary
 Robert G. Sanderson Community Center of the Deaf
 and Hard of Hearing, Taylorsville**

2009 – 2011

President	Ronald J. Nelson
Vice President	Lorin W. Melander
Secretary	Jennifer A. Byrnes (resigned about 9-19-2009) Mistie A. Owens (appointed 10-17-2009; resigned 11-1-2009) Eleanor B. McCowan (appointed 11-21-2009)
Treasurer	Valerie G. Kinney
Board of Directors	Robert G. Kerr
	Donna B. Melander
	Mistie A. Owens (moved up 10-17-2009)
	Stephen Ehrlich (resigned 9-20-2010)
	J. Abel Martinez
	Philippe A. Montalette (appointed 9-19-2009)
	Yvonne Montalette (appointed 9-10-2010)
	Eleanor B. McCowan (appointed 11-21-2009; moved up same date)
President Emeritus	Dr. Robert G. Sanderson

**At the 2009 conference,
 it was decided to reduce the number
 of board members from 11 to 9 and have no chair.**

**Forty-Fourth Biennial Conference
June 3-4, 2011
Robert G. Sanderson Community Center of the Deaf
and Hard of Hearing, Taylorsville**

2011 – 2013

President	Philippe A. Montalette
Vice President	Eleanor B. McCowan
Secretary	Marion Brown West
Treasurer	Adele Sigoda
Members at Large	Yvonne Montalette
	Robert G. Kerr
	J. Abel Martinez
	Jodi Becker Kinner
	Stanley L. O’Neal (appointed 6-4-2011; resigned 4-11-2012)
	Ellen O’Hara Hanna (appointed 5-9-2012)
President Emeritus	Dr. Robert G. Sanderson (passed away 2-25-2012)

At the general meeting on February 25, 2012, it was voted unanimously to change the organization from Utah Association for the Deaf to Utah Association of the Deaf. The state of Utah recognized the name change as of September 19, 2012.

UAD unveiled the new logo designed by deaf artist, James Smith who was chosen the finalist by UAD Board and its members at the 2013 UAD Conference.

Dr. Robert G. Sanderson passed away 2-25-2012.

**Forty-Fifth Biennial Conference
June 13-15, 2013
Hurricane Community Center, Hurricane**

2013 – 2015

President	Philippe A. Montalette
Vice President	J. R. Goff (resigned 7-12-2014) Dan L. Hoffman (appointed 8-1-2014)
Secretary	Ellen O’Hara Hanna
Treasurer	Adele Sigoda
Members at Large	Dan L. Hoffman (moved up 8-1-2014)
	Melissa (Meme) H. Kerr (resigned 3-6-2014)
	Laurie A. Bishop
	Joyanne K. Burdett
	Carol MacNicholl (resigned 6-21-2014)
	Pamela A. Mower (appointed 4-9-2014)
	Patricia M. Lowry (appointed 9-3-2014)
	David A. Davenport (appointed 9-3-2014; resigned May 6, 2015) Stephen Persinger (appointed June 1, 2015)
President Emeritus	W. David Mortensen (appointed 7-10-2013)

**Dr. Robert G. Sanderson, president emeritus,
passed away February 25, 2012.**

**W. David Mortensen assumed this position
7-10-2013.**

At the 2015 conference, it was decided to increase the number of board members from 9 to 11.

**Forty-Sixth Biennial Conference
October 16-17, 2015
Provo Marriott, Provo**

2015 – 2017

President	Stephen Persinger
Vice President	Pamela A. Mower
Secretary	Ellen O’Hara Hanna (resigned 11-11-2015) Gabriella Humlicek (appointed 1-7-2016; resigned 8-14-2016) Roberta Dunlap (resigned as secretary 11-9-2016) Ashli-Marie Grant (joined 5-10-2016; became secretary 11-9-2016)
Treasurer	Philippe Montalette
Members at Large	Laurie A. Bishop
	Patricia M. Lowry
	Laurie Bishop Monell
	Roberta Dunlap (joined as a board member 11/9/2016)
	Sari Williams
	Kent Munro (joined 5-10-2016; resigned 11/7/2016)
	Dustin Cutrer (joined 8-10-2016)
	Emisha Sill (joined 8-10-2016; resigned 2/16/2017)
	Nathan Underwood (joined 2-8-2017)
	Brandon Bowden (joined 4-12-2017)
	Wade Hester (joined 4-12-2017)

	Greg Jones (joined 4-12-2017)
President Emeritus	W. David Mortensen (appointed 7-10-2013)

At the 2017 conference, it was decided to decrease the number of board members from 11 to 9.

Forty-Seventh Biennial Conference September 22-23, 2017 Viridian Event Center, West Jordan	
2017-2019	
President	Stephen Persinger
Vice President	Adam Janisieski
Secretary	Erin Kelly
Treasurer	Philippe Montalette
Members at Large	Pamela Mower
	Greg Jones
	Mary Beth Baierl
	Ashli-Marie Grant
	Brandon Bowden
President Emeritus	W. David Mortensen (appointed 7-10-2013)

During the UAD Retreat on November 16, 2019, it was decided to increase from 9 members to 10 members. Two board members joined.

**Forty-Eight Biennial Conference
September 7, 2019
Kenneth Burdett School of the Deaf, Ogden**

2019-2021	
President	Kim Lucas
Vice President	Philippe Montalette (resigned 11-6-2019) Ashli-Marie Grant (became vice president 11-16-2019)
Secretary	Pamela Mower (resigned 4-26-2020) Adam Janiewski (became secretary 5-20-2020)
Treasurer	Stephen Persinger (resigned 2-28-2020) Ben Daniel (became treasurer 5-20-2020)
Members at Large	Brandon Bowden (resigned 6-2020)
	Brooke Grossinger
	Liz Jarashow
	Martin Price
	Nicholas Wolfe (joined 11-16-2019)
President Emeritus	G. Leon Curtis (appointed 9-7-2019)

**Forty-Nine Biennial Conference
October 29 - 30, 2021
Robert G. Sanderson Community Center of the Deaf and Hard of
Hearing, Taylorsville**

2021-2024	
President	Kim Lucas
Vice President	Ashli-Marie Grant
Secretary	Mistie Owens (resigned 4-7-2022) Susan Stokes (became secretary 8-10-2022)

Treasurer	Ryan Layton
Members at Large	Martin Price
	Nicole Banks (joined 5-11-2022)
	Alan Donaldson
	Rachel Enggas (joined 5-11-2022)
	Kevin Wolfe (joined 5-11-2022)
	Eric Bryant (joined 2-14-2024)
President Emeritus	Robert G. Kerr (appointed 10-30-2021)

Fifty Biennial Conference March 23, 2024 Robert G. Sanderson Community Center of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Taylorsville	
2024-2027	
President	Ashli-Marie Grant
Vice President	Eric Bryant (resigned 4-23-2025) Jodi Christel Becker (became vice-president 5/14/2025)
Secretary	Susan Stokes (resigned 10-9-2024)
Treasurer	Ryan Layton
Members at Large	Rachel Enggas (became secretary 10-9-2024)
	Kristi Lee Mortensen
	Morgann Smith (resigned 12-20-2025)
	Kenz Smith (resigned 10-27-2025)
	Kim Lucas (joined 5/14/2025)
	Brad Aldridge (joined 12-13-2025)

President Emeritus	Philippe Montalette (appointed 10-10-2024)