**Capital Chapter**

National Federation of the Blind of Ohio

Meeting Minutes

Saturday, April 7, 2018

**President:** Annette Lutz brought the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

**Attended By**:

Annette Lutz, President

Cindy Gamble, Secretary

Dale Pennington, Treasurer

Misty Hatcher, Member

Marilyn Pennington, Member

Mary Lynn, Member

Shelbi Hindelm, Member

Linda Pennington, Member

Asia Evans, Member

Jeremiah Williams, Member

Carolyn, Member

Dustin Grandstaft?, Member

Heather Leiterman, Vice President

Mike Leitherman, member

Jordy Stringer, member

J.W. Smith, member

Richard Payne, Affiliate President

Sherry Alverez, Affiliate V.P./President, Cincinnatti Chapter

**Old Business**

Mike Jaxson with channel 4 news came to the meeting to interview us about the issues we are having with Project Mainstream.

A motion was made by Annette to accept the minutes that were circulated by email. Shelbi seconded the motion. The question of dues came up because members have paid that were not listed in last months minutes and Annette assured everyone that Dale is keeping an accurate count of who has paid their dues. Motion was made to accept the minutes, all voted in favor, motion carried.

New Business

1. **Treasurer’s Report** - At last months meeting, it was reported that we had $749.95, a check was received for $317 since then for items sold at the national convention last year, bringing our balance to $1066.95. Annette authorized $350 to pay for the dinner for the Columbus Seminar as discussed in our last meeting. A motion was made to accept the Treasurers Report, all voted in favor except one abstention.
2. **Columbus Seminar** – Sherry made a report on it, fact sheets were distributed and the details discussed as to where to meet, what time, and how the meetings are ran. At the Sheraton on Cap. Square, after the dinner there will be a seminar session on the fact sheets, role-plays, etc. There will be teams that will sit with 99 state representatives, for the Senate there will be four appointments. Richard spoke briefly on the topic.
3. **National Convention** – Coming up in July. A motion was made about whether or not we will provide financial assistance to those who want to go, to pay for the banquet, registration, plus $100. Several people are interested in going. This was voted upon and passed with one no and one abstention.
4. **List Serve** – There was a discussion about people not being approved, who is in charge/moderator. Wes, wasn’t there but had volunteered to run it.
5. **Fundraising** – Since most of our funds in the account may be used for national convention, we need to decide on a fundraising option and get it started. We decided to sell chip clips and more information will be provided at the next meeting. We are going to get a table at convention to sell them at as well aa other places.

Mary Lynn talked to the person in charge of the sending the checks out from the Red, White & Boom fundraiser. She is going to look into it and send us a check, it will be sent to Mary Lynn. The check may be around $500, it’s unclear at this time.

Mike brought the topic of getting corporate sponsorship. We discussed for example partnering with the Columbus Crew or the Blue Jackets to do a 50/50. We would need about 50 people and we talked about getting Delta Gamma involved. Annette is going to look into it.

1. **Expo** – Shelbi went to the expo and there wasn’t a lot of time spent on it because of the weather. But, she meet a man who is working with computerize magnetic tiles with braille info and letters. She passed how business card around. He also had shapes, music notes and animals. She would like to invite him to come to our Braille program.
2. **Martin Luther King** – J.W. gave a report on his experiences when MLK was killed.

We talked about our next meeting being schedule on 5/5 but that is the same weekend as statewide and we talked about changing the date which we agreed upon, 5/12.

Sherry asked for volunteers for a fundraiser that the state is doing.

Meeting Adjourned