Capital Chapter National Federation of the Blind of Ohio Meeting Minutes

January 4, 2020

1. The meeting was called to Order by President Annette Lutz at 10:15 AM in the Maynard Avenue United Methodist Church 2350 Indianola Avenue. Members present were: Anne Casey, Brett Casey, Eric Duffy, Misty Hatcher,, Annette Lutz, and Mari-Lyn Piepho,.

2. The Presidential Release was played, and items of interest were discussed. The 4th of January is World Braille Day.

3. Eric Duffy Moved that we adopt the minutes from October and December as mailed and the November minutes as corrected. The correction for the November minutes is that the Leitermans were not present for the meeting. Misty Hatcher seconded the motion, and it passed with Mari-Lyn Piepho abstaining.

4. Annette Lutz reported the following with regard to the chapter treasury: 1. She has not been able to get together with Dale Pennington in order to get his name removed from the chapter bank account. 2. Shelley Duffy said that she is willing to serve as chapter treasurer and that she withdraws her resignation from the position. President Lutz said that she supports this action, because we are still at the very beginning of the new term for officers. She said that we all have room to learn and grow in the National Federation of the Blind, and that we should support our brothers and sisters on their journey as members of the organization. 3. The following individuals paid dues this month Anne Casey, Brett Casey, Rose Mary Casey, Eric Duffy, and Shelley Duffy.

5. Eric Duffy moved that we allocate $200 for the Louis Braille party for the students at the Ohio State School for the Blind. Mari-Lyn Piepho seconded the motion, and it carried. Shelley Duffy is coordinating this event. We will probably meet by conference call a few days before the party to be sure that we are prepared for this event.

6. Eric Duffy gave a legislative report. There has been no movement on HB 188 and HB 214 respectively. This is because the Health Committee in the Ohio House has not met due to the Holliday recess. We do not yet have a date for the Columbus seminar. We will discuss our Washington Seminar at the February meeting.

7. We are planning to have an informational meeting for perspective Nfb scholarship applicants at the conclusion of our March chapter meeting. Pizza and soda will be provided. Annette Lutz will check with the church to be sure that our meeting space is available for this event. Jordy Stringer is organizing this event.

8. The Cleveland chapter is hosting a mini training seminar for those who have recently lost vision or who just need some extra help. Annette plans to attend this event to learn how things are done. Our chapter wants to conduct a similar event in the late spring or early summer.

9. We discussed the possibility of changing our meeting day and time. If we want to meet on Tuesday evening, will have to find a new meeting location. There is also some concern about those from out of town who might want to come to our meetings. It seems as though Saturdays would be better for them. At this point we are not proposing a change.

10. Eric Duffy said that he attended the Funeral for Dotty Clark. Dotty is Angela Clark’s mother. Angela and her family have hosted many pool parties for our chapter. Angie continues to support our Bell program. Our chapter sent a sympathy card to the family.

11. The meeting adjourned at 11:52 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eric Duffy, Secretary