National Federation Of The Blind Of Kansas

Monthly Board Meeting

Sunday, January 8, 2023

Present: Tom Page, Donna Wood, Rob Tabor Robert Fuller, Tom Anderson, Dianne Hemphill, Susie Stanzel, Renee Morgan, Bruce Roberds

Guests: Dick Mellingger, Shauna Zepeda, Patricia Stillwell Sharon Luka

At 3:02 Tom Page called the meeting to order.

report from Dick Mellinger on our investments.

after sales in January we have as of 12-31 $243,239.00

$38,000 after distributions for 2022.

end of year $2,761 of cash.

 We weathered the storms of the year pretty well. Those storms being inflation, Ukraine third year of covid, and etc.

No suggested changes to our accounts by Dick Mellinger.

treasurers report

november 2022

909 $6,167.54

shay at beginning $8,792.11 ending $2,872.01

investments beginning $278,372.13 ending balance $259,948.54

total net beginning $284,506.35 ending balance $243.209.68

net assets as of 12-31-22 12-31-22 $249,150.67

Finance committee will meet this coming week and determine final amount for 2021 and 2022 split for shay. Checks will also be sent to national for donations to funds at national convention.

Alison when sending out board meeting minutes send them out in word.

Washington seminar update

6 people attending washington seminar

Tom Anderson

Michael Nava

Patricia Stillwell

Tom Page

Bruce Roberds

Linda Anders

motion made that we give $1,200 to attendees to Washington seminar. Seconded by Susie Stanzel. motioned carried.

A check will need to be sent to Milton Oda for $500 for website maintenance. most likely last payment to Milton. Technology is moving beyond Milton's capabilities. We will look at national overseeing our website.

President Page accepted treasurers report and mellinger's reports as given.

Discussion was held on chapter dues paying process.

Washington seminar report:

Jan. 30-Feb. 2, 2023 great gathering in 5:00 PM. 6 people going. Jan. 18, 2023 legislative training at 7:00 PM by zoom. issues are website and app accessibility act; Medical devices nonvisual access act; blind Americans return to work act.

Appointmentss have been submitted to all 6 representatives. Rob will advise the attendees when and where the appointments are. Rob suggested that we have hybrid meetings in Washington. Page agreed. Thursday January 12, 2023 will be an online conference for going over the issues to be presented. The 18th of Jan. is a mock meeting. Kansas will have a kansas only mock meeting for the new attendees to Washington seminar. Rob will send out an announcement.

local legislative action:

Tom Page had a meeting with sen. Ware. She is enthused to help with newsline funding. We will need to find a republican backer of newsline. Rob is working on a fact sheet to send out on support of newsline.

 kansas advisor committee Laura Howard looks favorably on ! changes to the Kansas braille bill. This is good news.

Hilderbrand has stepped down but he was very helpful to us on ! parents rights bill. We have a resolution to commend him it will be coming out ASAP.

Newsletter deadline for articles is Feb. 15, 2023. It was proposed by President Page that we offer another box of chocolates for the nextt person who gets an article in for the newsletter.

rob announced that in January he will be making a visit to all the chapters. He will be giving a report on in kind contribution hours.

Names who have been sent in for leadership seminar:

Alison Roets roshunda Holt Laridda and Brandon Williams-Murphy.

next meeting February 12, 2023 3:00 PM

Meeting adjourn 4:11 PM