The National Federation of the Blind

Of Kansas

56th Annual State Convention

Agenda

November 1-3, 2024

NFB Pledge

I pledge to participate actively in the effort of the National Federation of the Blind to achieve equality, opportunity, and security for the blind; to support the policies and programs of the Federation; and to abide by its constitution.

"Growing Together in the Blind Movement"

Friday, November 1, 2024

2:00 PM— Vendors Hall, Regency B and C

5:00 PM—Registration, Hallway

5:00-7:00 PM—Hospitality, Regency B and C

7:00 PM—Resolutions immediately following the nominating committee will meet, Regency A

7:00-10:00 PM—Game night for the youth; Brazilian A

Saturday, November 2, 2024

(General Session, Regency A)

8:00 AM—Registration, Hallway

9:00 AM—Presentation of flags, NFB Pledge, Welcome by Mayor, and Opening remarks

9:15 AM—National Report, Pam Allen National Rep.

10:00 AM—State Report, Tom Page Affiliate President

10:45 AM—Talking Books, Michael Lang

11:00 AM— Legislators

11:15 AM— NFBKS legislative update, Rob Tabor

11:25 AM—Q and A

11:30 AM—Introduction of the Board Officers

11:45 AM—Resolutions and Nominating Committee Reports

12:00-1:15 PM—Lunch, Regency C

Senior Division lunch and business meeting, Regency B

(Break Out Session for the Youth, Brazilian A)

1:15 PM— Vocational and Rehabilitation Services update, Dan Decker

1:30 PM— Disability Rights Center (DRC) Voting rights, Mike Burgis

1:45 PM—Kansas School for the Blind (KSSB), Jon Harding and Christian Puett

2:05 PM—The ABC's of the NFB, Rob Tabor

2:35 PM—Introduction of the general board members

2:45 PM— Blindness skills what are they and why do we need them? the Louisiana Center for the Blind, Pam Allen

3:00 PM—Navilens, What is it and what can it do? Frank and Mary Webber

3:10 PM— Social events development of game night and descriptive movies, Don and Jody Mulik

3:20 PM— How to approach your Pharmacist, Emily Schlenker

3:35 PM— Have You Ever, Open Discussion

4:05 PM—Sports and Recreation Division, Amy Wilson and Michael Nava

4:15 PM— Introduction of Chapter and Division Presidents

4:30 PM—Review of proposed changes to the NFB of Kansas constitution, Sharon Luka

4:45 PM— Nominating and Resolutions Committee reports and closing remarks

5:00 PM—Adjourn

Youth Seminar

(Brazilian A)

"Navigating blindness requires alternative thinking"

12:30 PM—registration

1:15 PM—Introductions, Opening remarks, and The NFB Who we are and what we do.

1:30 PM—Representative from Wichita State University (WSU); Admission standards and requirements, Financial aid, and How to pick a major, John Jones

2:00 PM—Blindness skills, what are they and why do you need them, Pam and Roland Allen

2:15 PM—High and low tech, Accessible curriculum, Demonstration of alternative techniques braille, screen readers, Apps. And etc., Brandon Murphy and Luther Fuller

2:45 PM— Self-advocacy, Emily Schlenker

3:00 PM—Safety and self defense, Amy Wilson

3:15 PM—Hobbies and Leisure Activities; games, video gaming, Music Production sports and recreation, and etc. Brandon Murphy, Luther Fuller, Matt Mitchel and Michael Nava

4:00 PM—Working through the system to be a successful blind person, Rowan Gorello

4:15 PM—Careers and Opportunities, Alison Roets, Emily Schlenker, Loren Bush and Renee Morgan

4:45 PM—closing remarks

5:00 PM—Adjourn

NFBKS policy:

Any person under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to attend NFBKS seminars, programs, and events.

November 2, 2024

(Regency B and C)

6:00 PM—Happy Hour (cash bar)

7:00 PM—Banquet, Keynote Address and awarding of scholarships

9:00 PM—Entertainment by Easy Pieces

Sunday, November 3, 2024

(General Session, Regency A)

7:00 AM—Blind Christians Group business meeting, Regency A

9:00 AM—Opening of Business Meeting

Noon—State Convention Adjourn

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