Jayhawk Chapter National Federation of the Blind of Kansas

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Meeting minutes for October 1, 2022

Members Present: Renee Morgan President, Brendy Latare Treasurer, Linda Anders, Rob Tabor, and Tom Anderson from the Johnson-Wyandotte County Chapter, via conference call

Absent: Lenita Richardson Interim secretary, Susan Tabor, Cheryl Miller Vice-President

* The president called the meeting to order at 4:18pm Mi Ranchito Restaurant.
* Presidential release. Renee presented the transcript of the presidential release number 520.

Rob expounded on the Senate bill S4998 sponsored by Senator Duckworth, a disabled veteran with three other co-sponsors (Senator Casey of Pennsylvania, Senator Markey of Massachusetts and Senator Schatz of Hawaii).

Senator Duckworth came to our convention in 2021 and talked about her interest in helping us with the bill and we finally got it done.

This bill expands on the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act to protect our rights in the digital space. Specifically -- it provides a strong statutory definition for accessibility of websites and applications.

Secondly, it provides a well-defined regulatory structure and schedule.

Third, the bill provides safeguards against a rush to court settlements for inaccessible websites.

* State report was presented by Rob. The state conventions Kansas Convention will take place on November 4, 5, and 6th at the Hilton Garden Inn in Salina, Kansas. Please be sure to make your reservations by October 13th. Please encourage other federation members to attend. Our representative will be Kevan Worley from the Colorado affiliate. We’ll be getting underway with 3 convention seminars on Friday afternoon. There will be program sessions on Saturday, business meeting on Sunday and wrap up by noon or earlier. This is also election year for our state officers and 3 of our directors, so there will be a nominating committee that will meet on Friday evening. The nominating committee report will be delivered on Saturday and the elections will take place at the business meeting on Saturday.
* Tom presented scholarship updates. There is one applicant who is being interviewed and a few other applications awaiting documentation. A working person who is attending school is the ideal applicant as he/she or they would exemplify the qualities that we value. Tom also shared news with his division.
* Treasurer’s report. Brendy shared that all dues were collected by the members present. We have $942.82, which includes 5 member dues and the $50.00 check from Fuzzy’s. The Brownie Sundae fundraiser was mentioned for Tuesday, October 25th from 6-8pm when we can actively advertise.
* Adjournment. Having no further business, the president declared the meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM. The next meeting will be November 14, 2022 at 4pm.