NATIONAL Federation of the BLIND of Kansas

Jayhawk Chapter

MINUTES for Meeting of October 11, 2023

Location, La Tropicana Mexican Café, 434 Locust, Lawrence, Kansas

Members present: Renee Morgan, Brendy Latare, Luther Fuller, Cheryl Miller (via teleconference), Joy Polson, Rob Tabor, Susan Tabor

• Call to order. President Renee called the meeting to order at 4-03 p.m.

• National report. The transcript of Presidential Release No. 531 was read. Among other topics, president Mark Riccobono announced that the Websites and Mobile Access Applications Act has been introduced in

 Congress with companion bills in both the House and Senate.

• State report — Rob. A memorial service was held on September 30 for Tom Anderson. attendees from the Jayhawk chapter were Brendy, Luther, Susan and Rob. All agreed it was very well done.

• State conventions. The dates and location for the 2023 state convention were given. Convention registration form was distributed on the state affiliate listserv and also included in the fall 2023 issue of TapTracks. The deadline for making hotel room reservations was also given.

• 2024 State convention. A site scouting team lead by state convention chairman Donna Wood paid visits to 3 Lawrence area hotels.Donna has received bids and it appears that the Doubletree Hotel is the most promising option. Renee called on the chapter membership to pitch in and help to make a great convention in Lawrence.

• September meeting minutes. Upon the president's call for changes or corrections and hearing none, the September minutes were approved.

• Financial report — Brendy. There was

 a deposit of $12 which brings the treasury balance to $1046.82. Brendy gave options for remittance of $12 annual membership dues which were due. The president called for changes or corrections. There being none, the financial report was approved as read.

• Fundraising. Renee announced that the trivia night originally scheduled for Friday, October 27 was canceled due to having none of 3 potential trivia masters available. Renee stated that according to the proprietor of Murph‘s Pub, there is a great deal of interest in a trivia contest, so promotional expenses should be minimal. It is suggested that a trivia night fundraiser could be planned for next spring.

• Convention door prizes. It was moved and seconded that we donate $’25 as a cash door prize for the state convention. The motion carried unanimously.

• Convention transportation. Rob stated he would contact Susie Stanzel about a rented vehicle stopping through Lawrence to transport some of us to Wichita. It was agreed chapter treasury could contribute toward the cost of vehicle rental.

• December social. Upon considering several possible venues, we decided to book a reservation at Black Stag Brewery for Saturday, December 2 at 4-00 p.m.

• Change of meeting venue. Renee stated that Murph’s Pub is willing to host our monthly meetings. Therefore, we decided by consensus to meet at Murph’s Pub at 4:00 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of the month beginning in January, 2024. As per usual there will be no meeting in November on account of state convention.

• Election of officers. Rob conducted the elections except for one race, with all candidates being elected by acclamation. Officers for 2024 will be: president, Renee Morgan; vice president, Cheryl Miller; secretary, Rob Tabor; treasurer, Brendy Latare.

• Adjournment. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Submitted by Rob Tabor, secretary