NATIONAL FEDERATION of the BLIND of KANSAS

Jayhawk Chapter

Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2024

Location: State affiliate teleconference

Present: Lynda Anders, Brendy Latare, Renee Morgan, Susan Tabor, Rob Tabor, Michael Nava (Johnson Wyandotte chapter)

• Call to order, welcome and introductions. President Morgan called the meeting to order at 4-09 p.m.

• National report. Presidential Release 534 was audio-streamed in its entirety. Covered topics include National Braille Day celebrated on January 4, the 2024 Washington Seminar, and the closure hopefully temporary) of BLIND Inc. in Minnesota.

• Minutes of October 2023. Upon the president's call for corrections or changes, the minutes were approved with one correction.

• Treasurer's report. Brendy reported a balance of $1070.82. The list of paid up members was reviewed to determine the per capita payment to be submitted to the state affiliate treasury. Upon the president's call for changes or corrections, the financial report was approved as read.

• Chapter report. Renee stated she is looking forward to a good year and to hosting the 2024 state convention and to more robust fundraising in both the spring and fall.

• State report. Rob noted that there are 5 Federationists from Kansas who will participate in the 2024 Washington Seminar from January 29 through February 1. Legislative priorities were briefly summarized and ar the same as those of 2023.

State convention. The 2024 state convention will be held from Friday, November 1 through Sunday, November 3 at the Lawrence Doubletree Hotel. There will be several roles to fill as the host chapter.

Legislative advocacy. There will be a combined Washington Seminar and state legislative training on January 17 at 7-00 p.m. local time. The meeting will be conducted on the state affiliate Zoom Platform and will be announced on the HOTR listserv.

State board meeting. All are invited to dial into the meeting on Sunday, January 14 at 3-00 p.m.

• Fundraising. We began the planning for a trivia night at Murph’s Pub. The target date is set for Friday, April 5. Renee will reserve the meeting space with the owner of the establishment and Rob will contact Steve Buckner for his availability as a contest master. Renee also encouraged the membership to come up with suggesttions for a fall fundraiser.

• Other old business. We re-visited the meeting day/time slot and decided by consensus to meet on the second Monday of the month at 4-00 p.m. beginning in February.

• Adjournment. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5-22 p.m.

Submitted by Rob Tabor, secretary

Next meeting Monday, February 12, 2024, location TBA