JAYHAWK CHAPTER NATIONAL FEDERATION of the BLIND of KANSAS

MINUTES of MEETING of SEPTEMBER 9, 2024

LOCATION: Murf’s Pub, Lawrence, Kansas

Members present: Dustin Disque, Luther Fuller, Brendy Latare, Renee Morgan, and Rob Tabor

• Call to order. President Renee Morgan called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. There were no guests present.

• National report. Presidential Release no. 541 was audiostreamed. Highlights include announcement of a blind voter registration drive, a rideshare protest rally scheduled for October 15 in San Francisco, and a Bay Bridge Crossing fundraiser in November.

• State report — Rob. The board met on Sunday, September 8 and it was decided to make financial assistance available to members who are interested in attending the Rideshare protest rally.

• A special meeting to present a slate of proposed changes to the state affiliate constitution is scheduled for Sunday, October 6 at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom. This is a constitutionally required procedure before action can be taken by the membership at the 2024 state convention.

• We are reminded that anyone who needs financial assistance to attend the 2024 state convention must make a written request to the chapter president who will forward their requests to state president Tom Page, whose approval is required.

• Meeting minutes. There being no changes or corrections to the May and August minutes, both were approved by the president as posted.

• Financial report — Brendy. There being no debits or credits since last report, the chapter treasury balance remains at $1382.70. There being no changes or corrections, the financial report was approved as read.

• Fundraising. We will conduct a trivia night fundraiser on Friday, October 25 at Murf’s Pub beginning at 7:00 p.m. Steve Buckner has agreed to serve as contest master as he has in previous events. A donation of $10 is asked per participant. Several Lawrence area businesses were suggested to contact for prize donations. A volunteer is needed to collect the money due to Brendy's announced absence.

• Blind Equality Achievement Month (BEAM). We have decided to present to the Lawrence City Commission during an October monthly meeting for a mayoral proclamation in honor of BEAM and White Cane Awareness Day. The presentation will provide a convenient forum to promote both the trivia night and the 2024 state convention.

• Adjournment. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4-59 p.m.

Submitted by Rob Tabor, secretary

Next meeting Monday, October 14, 2024 at Murf’s Pub, Lawrence, Kansas