National Federation of the Blind of Maryland

2023 Business Meeting

Agenda

1:00 Call to Order and Welcome

Ronza Othman, President, National Federation of the Blind of Maryland

1:05 Greetings from Our National President

Mark Riccobono, President, National Federation of the Blind

1:10 Greetings from Our National Representative

Kevan Worley, President & CEO, Worley Enterprises; Board Member, Colorado Center for the Blind

1:15 Breakout Session 1: Affiliate Divisions

Breakout 1A: Maryland Organization of Parents of Blind Children

Breakout 1B: Maryland Association of Blind Students

Breakout 1C: Maryland Seniors Issues Division

Breakout 1D: Maryland Association of Blind Merchants

2:15 Breakout Session 2: Committee Workshops

Breakout 2A: Employment Committee

Breakout 2b: Resolutions Committee

3:15 Celebrating Our Veterans

Ed Jackson, Chairperson, NFBMD Blind Veterans Committee

3:25 Reading of 2022 Convention Business Meeting Minutes

Judy Rasmussen, Secretary, National Federation of the Blind of Maryland

3:40: Financial Report

Jenivieve White, Treasurer, National Federation of the Blind of Maryland

4:00 Time of Sharing

Mark Riccobono, President, National Federation of the Blind of Maryland

4:15 Resolutions

Chris Danielsen, Chairperson, Resolutions Committee; President, Greater Baltimore Chapter

4:50 Elections

5:00 Adjourn

Notes:

* The 2023 NFBMD Business Meeting will take place virtually via Zoom. We will conduct our constitutionally required and other time sensitive business at this meeting, but many of our traditional work and activities will take place at the 2023 – 2024 combined affiliate convention from February 16 – 18, 2024 at the Sheraton Baltimore North Hotel in Towson. Information about and registration for the convention is available at <https://nfbmd.org/convention>.
* Anyone may attend the Business meeting who wishes to do so.
* Only individuals who both registered for the Business Meeting and paid 2023 dues on or before November 1, 2023 are eligible to vote, make motions, and/or speak on the floor.
* We will be holding our Bake and Experience Auction throughout the business meeting. This will be a live auction done by voice on Zoom. Successful bidders are asked to pay for their items via Zelle ([President@nfbmd.org](mailto:President@nfbmd.org)), PayPal ([President@nfbmd.org](mailto:President@nfbmd.org) or via the Donate button on the website), or check (payable to NFB of Maryland, 1800 Johnson Street, Suite N1, Baltimore, MD 21230). Please send payments by November 15, 2023. Items will not be sent out until payment is received.
* We will be conducting our Time of Sharing during the business meeting. This will be live by voice, but individuals may also email in pledges to [President@nfbmd.org](mailto:President@nfbmd.org). Individuals are asked to fulfill their pledges via Zelle ([President@nfbmd.org](mailto:President@nfbmd.org)), PayPal ([President@nfbmd.org](mailto:President@nfbmd.org) or via the Donate button on the website), or check (payable to NFB of Maryland, 1800 Johnson Street, Suite N1, Baltimore, MD 21230). Please send payments by December 31, 2023.
* We ask participants to engage with one another with dignity and respect and remind all to abide by the NFB Code of Conduct and all other NFB and NFB of Maryland policies.
* The Board of Directors of the NFB of Maryland extends its gratitude to those who are supporting our technology, logistics, and other operational needs for this session. We are also grateful to our membership for your work and dedication throughout the year to ensuring that Maryland’s blind can live the life we want.

Meeting Access Information:

Join Zoom Meeting

[Zoom Access Link](https://nfb-org.zoom.us/j/6248138327?pwd=eTZlYUgwR3ZQVVl1dXBLSHcrbml1QT09)

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