***New Mexico Association of Blind Students Team Newsletter for May 2018!***

Hello from Kaity Ellis, President of the New Mexico Association of Blind Students, a Proud Division of the National Federation of the Blind of New Mexico.

 The Association is happy to present to you a monthly newsletter, so you will know what excellent work our members are doing to improve the lives of blind students in New Mexico and across the United States of America. It is our hope here at the New Mexico Association of Blind Students that all of you will join us in helping all students in our great state who are blind to live the life they want!

Best wishes, Kaity Ellis, President.

**Recap of Monthly Association Meeting.**

**A**. The appointment of Andres Romero to serve as the second board member for the 2018-2019 term. Approved by all.

**B**. Set regular date and time for all meetings, except ones deemed necessary by the president. Students will contact Kaity with the best time.

**C.** The mission of the New Mexico Association of Blind Students for the year.

The mission of this year: Outreach, support, and events.

**D**. Fundraiser. the team would like to see one by July

Our next meeting will be on Sunday, **June 3rd, 2018**. Please e: mail our Secretary at secretary.nmabs@gmail.com if you would like an agenda for the upcoming meeting.

**Committee reports:**

1. **Membership and Promotion Co-Chair Andres Romero, Board Member**

After reviewing and updating the membership list, the association has a total of 19 members. The committee is looking at ideas to hold events soon! If you would like to become a member, please contact us!

1. **Funds Chair Emilio Martinez, Treasurer.**

The funds are in good standing; the committee is coming up with fundraisers. If you would like to help in any way possible, please contact us!

1. **Legislative, Advocacy, and Communication Co-Chair Kaden, Vice President**

The committee heard of a case of a college not being compliant. The co-chairs decided to get more information and determine a plan of action. The committee is working to come up with trainings on how to advocate for a good education for all blind students throughout New Mexico. Also, they are working with all colleges in New Mexico to help support AIM HIGH. **Hit the like button on the NMABS Facebook page: https://m.facebook.com/NMABS1/**

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 **Our next News Letter will be available later in June**.

As always the New Mexico Association of Blind Students Team is here for you. Please contact us!

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