NCABS Minutes 10/11/15

Attendance:

Bobbi Pompey (president)

Trey Roach (1st vice president)

Anderson Smallwood (2nd Vice president)

Kenia Flores (secretary)

Alan Chase (treasurer)

Mikayla

Eric

Devante

Kevin

Ashley
Kaylee

Meeting called to order at 8:06 pm.

Introduction of new officers:

President: Bobbi Pompey

1st Vice President: Trey Roach

2nd Vice President: Anderson Smallwood

Treasurer: Alan Chase

Secretary: Kenia Flores

State Convention recap: Our state convention was held in Wilmington, NC during the weekend of September 18-20. NCABS had 17 people in attendance. We had pizza Friday night thanks to Tim Jones. NCABS went to Olive Garden for lunch on Saturday. NCABS held elections after lunch. After elections, NCABS heard from Sean Whalen, our NABS rep, and Anil Lewis, our national rep.

Treasurer’s report: Our current balance as of 10/11/15 is $948.27. We raised $492 during our fundraisers, and took in $120 in membership dues. The total raised during convention was $612.

NABS update: NABS as well as our national center are really focusing on the AIM Act. NABS is in need of letters from students who have encountered problems in higher education. These letters do not need to be very long, but they need to thoroughly describe the problem(s) you have encountered. For example, you could write about an inaccessible software or program your school uses. NABS would like at least five letters from each state. Remember to include the contact information of the Congressmen who serves your district. If you don’t want to write a letter, you can ask administrators at your school to write one. Please give your letters to Bobbi, Kathryn, or Mikayla.

Washington Seminar: Washington Seminar is an opportunity to lobby for legislation. You have the opportunity to talk to Congress representatives who serve your district/state. Applications for Washington Seminar will be available later this month. Bobbi will send out a reminder once they are available.

Committees:

Communications: manage social media for NCABS and send out press releases for events

 Co-chairs: Bobbi Pompey and Kenia Flores

Event planning: plans NCABS events such as SUP’s (students uniting for purpose) seminars

Co-chairs: Alan Chase and Anderson Smallwood

Fundraising: raise money to support NCABS and events such as national convention and Washington Seminar.

Chair: Trey Roach

Legislation committee: help collect letters for NABS and give legislative updates

Chair: Kathryn Webster

Membership: create initiatives to increase student involvement in NCABS

Chair: Mikayla

EYE retreat update: EYE Retreat has received 12 staff applications from Texas, Ohio, Massachusetts, and North Carolina so far. Participant applications are not yet available. 2016 EYE retreat participation is expected to exceed this year’s participation. Fundraising opportunities are available, so contact Alan Chase if you are interested in fundraising efforts.

Giveaway: Congratulations to Mikayla! You are the winner of a $5 gift card to the place of your choosing. Please contact Bobbi with the name of the place you would like your gift card from and your address.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.