**National Federation of the Blind of Nebraska**

**Senior Division**

Ju**n**e 13, 2016 Meeting

 The June meeting began at 7:05 PM (CT). There were 10 participants in attendance.

Robert, Barbara, Becky, Brad, Bob, Linda, Gina, Walt. Guest- Della Johnston, Brenda Folden.

Walt reported, he has a potential new member; she is interested in learning more about us. Marietta MacFerson and her contact information is: Phone# Land: 402-388-2481 Cell: 402-366-3773

Robert presented the NFB Pledge. Hopefully Nancy will be with us next month; she has intended to be our pledge-person for the past two months. Becky will practice, and recite the pledge for August.

Lynda read aloud the minutes from April; with corrections, they were approved. Barbara made the motion that with corrections, the minutes be accepted. Gina seconded, and the vote was all in favor.

In regard to the minutes for May, Robert will write them up from the notes provided by Linda. (The May meeting was brief, due to lack of participants.)

Old Business: Robert announced that our Constitution was given the seal of approval from the affiliate board. And that a new copy will be sent out to all members.

The next topic was the discussion and acting upon the purchase of the NLS type cartridge and the mailers made for them. The discussion involved that we would buy 10 of each, the cartridge ($10.00) and the mailers ($2.50); the total will be $55.00. Robert will purchase them, getting reimbursed later. Barbara made the motion that we purchase 10 cartridges and 10 mailers. Seconded by Linda.

Part of the above discussion brought out the following information:

Brenda stated that she does have email; i4ujc@yahoo.com However, she would like the cartridge.

Walt also stated he would not need a cartridge, his wife would read for him.

Della also stated she has readers to handle email; she will get Robert the address.

Walt again gave me his email address: lwhively1968@gmail.com

The next topic was: For future meetings, what topics and/or guest speakers would be of interest? One suggestion, by Becky, was to have a guest who is a member of a Lions Club; she knows a couple of blind people who are. (This could be generalized to being active outside the home, in a sense of giving back to the community.)

Second suggestion, have a blind speaker who has made it successfully in employment; talk about what makes that whole thing work. Linda Mentink (our member) was suggested, and she has agreed to present to us in July.

Additionally, the topic of finding a replacement for Secretary Lemmon was discussed. Linda volunteered to step into the Secretary role for the remainder of this term; October is elections.

Next was our monthly discussion topic: It was the first line of our NFB “1 Minute Message- ” “The National Federation of the Blind knows that blindness is not the characteristic that defines you, or your future.” Discussion was on target, wide ranging, and meaningful.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Robert Leslie Newman

Treasurer’s Report-Senior Division

June 13, 2016

Beginning Balance $892.95

Expenses

June PAC plan $ 10.00

Deposits

None

Ending Balance June 13, 2016 $882.95

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Livingston, Treasurer