**National Federation of the Blind of Arkansas Affiliate Board Agenda**

**January 11, 2022**

**Call to Order: Terry**

President: Nena Chadwick

Vice-President: Vacant

Second Vice-President: Brent Philpot

Treasurer: David Henry

Secretary: Terry Sheeler

Board Member: Freddie Wilkey

Board Member: Donavon Cavender

Board Member: Bettye Johnson

Board Member: Kyle Kiper

**Visitors:**

**NFB Pledge: David**

I pledge to participate actively in the effort of the National Federation of the Blind to achieve equality, opportunity, and security for the blind; to support the policies and programs of the Federation, and to abide by its constitution.

One-Minute Message David

The National Federation of the Blind knows that blindness is not the characteristic that defines you or your future. Every day we raise the expectations of blind people because low expectations create obstacles between blind people and our dreams. You can have the life you want; blindness is not what holds you back.

Meeting Minutes:

Secretary’s report for December 2021, needs to be approved. Typed and sent electronically by Terry Sheeler.

Treasurer Report:

The treasurer’s report for December 2021, needs to be approved. Typed and sent out by David Henry.

OLD BUSINESS

There will be things on the agenda that will always be on here just for reminders, and for future updates.

Each Chapter should send Meeting Minutes and Treasurer’s Reports as an attachment to Nena Chadwick so that they can all be sent to National to be archived, each month.

Fundraising: 20% of all Chapter fundraising needs to be sent to the State Treasurer. If any questions, please contact David Henry. [dhenry@nfbar.org](mailto:dhenry@nfbar.org)

Washington Seminar:

Legislative Director: David Henry

Washington DC, February 7-10, 2022

Hybrid meetings are going to be done for Washington Seminar this year.

The 4 initiatives will be:

Access Technology Affordability Act

Medical Device nonvisual Accessibility Act

21st Century Website and Applications Accessibility Act

Transformation to Competitive Integrated Employment Act

National Convention 2022

New Orleans, LA - July 5-10, 2022, In-person

Registration starts March 1,2022

Registration $25 Banquet $70 per person

Hotel registration is roughly $130 per night including taxes and fees. More information will be coming out soon.

State Convention 2022 Spring virtual March 31, April 1,2.

Theme:

The host committee is the NFB of the NWA Chapter.

Convention Committee:

1. Speakers/Vendors/Sponsors: Bettye, Kyle
2. Door Prizes/Auctions: Tanya, Kelley, Elizabeth Auction: Terry, Nena, David
3. Nominations: Jimmy, Donavon, Freddie, Bryson, Bettye, Kyle
4. Registration: Terry, David
5. Resolution: Brent, David, Donavon, Freddie

State Convention 2023-2024 - to be decided at Spring Convention

NEW BUSINESS

Membership: Dues are to be paid by January 31, 2022

Constitutions:

Fundraising:

Financial

Zoom /Conference Line

National President Updates:

Presidential Release 512

2022 Motto: Forward Together-Building Together

Takeaways:

1. Washington Seminar February 7 thru 10, 2022
2. Code of Conduct updated version active on January 1, 2022
3. Civil Rights Museum: there will be a survey being sent out, we will be looking out for that.
4. Scholarships’ exciting new information on 2022 scholarships will now be a flat $8,000. So, talk to any of the students that you know and encourage them to apply.

**Independence Market Product of the Month**

**Upcoming Accessibility Boutiques (all via Zoom)**

**Upcoming Event—Digital Streaming Services:**

Learn all about how you can enjoy music, movies, and live television from practically any internet-connected device. Join the National Federation of the Blind on January 25, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. eastern, to discuss what these services offer, how accessible they are, and what to consider when subscribing to a service. Take advantage of this free opportunity and [register for the accessibility boutique](https://nfb.org/programs-services/center-excellence-nonvisual-access/trainings/accessibility-boutiques/accessibility-boutique-registration) today!

**Chapter Reports:**

NWA

River Valley

Central

At Large

ARKABS

Pac Plan: Chair Donna Walker

Arkansas Listserv: Chair Tanya Van Houten

**Dates to keep in mind:**

(all times eastern)

* February 1: Presidential Release, 8:00 p.m.
* February 7: Great Gathering-In, 5:00 p.m.
* February 7-10: [Washington Seminar](https://nfb.org/programs-services/advocacy/washington-seminar/)
* March 1: Presidential Release, 8:00 p.m.
* March 31: Deadline to submit [a scholarship application](https://nfb.org/scholarships)
* July 5-10: National Convention, New Orleans

**State President Announcements:**

Happy January Birthdays:

Clint Chadwick NWA Chapter

April Scurlock At Large Chapter

Jada Dunbar ARKABS

Caroline Carper ARKABS

Tawyna Philpot Central Chapter

DSB Meeting

March 11 at 1 pm on zoom David Henry

NFBAR next meeting is February 8, 2022, @ 8 pm

Adjourn