**Please Join the**

**At Large Chapter of the National Federation of the Blind of New Mexico**

**Tuesday, August 27, 2024**

**6:30-9:00pm**

**Mountain Standard Time**

**The National Federation of the Blind is a community of members and friends who believe in the hopes and dreams of the nation’s blind. Every day we work together to help blind people live the lives they want.**

**Social time starts at 6:30pm.**

**Meeting starts promptly at 7:00.**

**Suggested reading material: *Building the Lives We Want***

 **an ebook that traces the history of the blindness movement from its dawn in the nineteenth century through the founding of the National Federation of the Blind and beyond. It was released in part to commemorate the NFB's seventy-fifth anniversary in 2015.**[**Building the Lives We Want | National Federation of the Blind (nfb.org)**](https://nfb.org/about-us/history-and-governance/building-lives-we-want)

**If you have any questions, please contact Janet Montoya at** **nfbnm.alc.president@gmail.com/505-672-9626**

**Thank you, and we look forward to hearing from you Tuesday August 27th, 2024.**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

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1. **7pm Call to Order, Janet Montoya, President**
2. **Rollcall and Introduction of Guest, Daphne Mitchell, Sec/Treas**
3. **Reciting/reading of the NFB pledge: Kat Chavez, member**

**I pledge to participate actively in the efforts 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.**

**National Federation of the Blind Belief Message: Larry Lorenzo, member**

**The National Federation of the Blind advances the lives of its members and all blind people in the United States. We know 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. Our collective power, determination, and diversity achieve the aspirations of all blind people.**

1. **Approval of the agenda**
2. **Approval of the July minutes**
3. **Treasurer’s Report, Daphne Mitchell, Sec/Treas**
4. **Presidential release** [**nfb.org/sites/nfb.org/files/08-2024/presidential\_release\_august\_2024\_chapter\_version.mp3**](https://nfb.org/sites/nfb.org/files/08-2024/presidential_release_august_2024_chapter_version.mp3)
5. **Discussion topics: Creating a safe place**

**10. Committee Reports**

* 1. **Fundraising, Martin Gallegos, committee chair**
		1. **NFBNM hats**
		2. **Raffle tickets for 2 night stay at State Convention**
		3. **Apply for $100 stipend**
	2. **Philosophy, Daphne Mitchell, committee chair**
	3. **Legislature, Larry Lorenzo**
	4. **Membership, German Benitez, committee chair**
1. **Old Business**

 **12. Birthdays for August**

 **13. Open discussion, next meeting will be September 24th**

 **14. Adjourn**