**Please Join the**

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

**Tuesday, January 28, 2025**

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

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

**Mountain Standard Time (US and Canada)**

**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.**

**Resource material:**

* **Live Presidential release January 2025** [**National Federation of the Blind Presidential Releases - English | The National Federation of the Blind**](https://nfb-presidential-release.podbean.com/)
* [**Nation's Blind Podcast | National Federation of the Blind**](https://nfb.org/resources/publications-and-media/nations-blind-podcast)

**Join Zoom Meeting**

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**1. 7pm Call to Order, Janet Montoya, President**

**2. Rollcall and Introduction of Guests, Jamie Sibson, Sec/Tres.**

 **3. NFB pledge: Frank Maestas, Vice president**

**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.**

 **4. National Federation of the Blind Belief Message: Martin Gallegos, Board member 1**

 **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 November 2024 minutes**
3. **Treasurer’s Report, Jamie Sibson, Sec/Tres**
4. **Presidential release for chapter meetings, Jamie Sibson, Sec/Tres**

[**nfb.org/sites/nfb.org/files/2024-12/presidential-release-january-2025-chapter-version.mp3**](https://nfb.org/sites/nfb.org/files/2024-12/presidential-release-january-2025-chapter-version.mp3)

1. **Discussion Topic: Why are we members of NFB? Facilitated by Adelmo Vigil, member**

1. **Washington Seminar:** [**Washington Seminar | National Federation of the Blind**](https://nfb.org/programs-services/advocacy/washington-seminar)

 **a. three legislative initiatives**

 **b. members stories**

 **c. financial support**

 **11.**  **Committee Reports**

* 1. **Legislature, Larry Lorenzo, Chair**
	2. **Membership, German Benitez, Chair**
	3. **Fundraiser, Martin Gallegos, Chair**

 **12. Birthdays for December and January**

 **13. Open discussion, next meeting will be held February 25, 2025**

 **14. Adjourn**