The National Federation of the Blind in Computer Science Annual Business Meeting Minutes for July 7, 2022

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A meeting of the National Federation of the Blind in Computer Science (NFBCS) was held, at the New Orleans Marriott in New Orleans, LA, on Thursday, July 7, 2022.

The meeting was called to order by President Brian Buhrow at 1 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

# Business Meeting

Two program items were presented, after which President Buhrow called the business meeting to order at 2:10 P.M.

The membership agreed that the minutes from the NFBCS 2021 business meeting need not be read since the minutes had been distributed by e-mail. The minutes were approved.

The treasurer, Curtis Chong, next presented the Treasurer's Report. On June 30, 2022, the NFBCS treasury had a balance of $602.14. The treasurer's report was approved.

It was moved that the NFBCS contribute a total of $300.00: $150 to the STEM scholarship, and $150 to the White Cane fund. The motion was carried.

Curtis noted that PayPal is now charging $0.66 per $5 transaction.

Since 2022 is an even-numbered year, elections were held. There are four officers and three Board members. Elected were: Brian Buhrow, President; Steve Jacobson, Vice-president; Louis Maher, Secretary; Curtis Chong, Treasurer; Jeanine Lineback, Board Member; Harry Staley, Board Member, and Jim Barbour, Board Member.

Jeanine Lineback could not attend the meeting due to a medical issue. She will be able to attend future annual meetings. For this reason, and in light of her past service, she was deemed eligible to run for an officer position despite the usual practice that you must be physically present in a meeting to be able to run for an officer position during that meeting.

The business meeting was adjourned at 2:30 P.M. EDT.

Next, the rest of the program was presented.

# Presentations

Below is a list of talks that were given during the 2022 NFBCS meeting.

CURRENT EVENTS AT THE JERNIGAN INSTITUTE AND THE CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE in Nonvisual Access  
Anil Lewis, Executive Director, Jernigan Institute

AUTOMATED PRODUCTION OF COLLEGE MATHEMATICS TEXTBOOKS IN BRAILLE  
Dr. Alexei Kolesnikov, Towson University

GOING TOTALLY VIRTUAL: HOW I LEARNED TO WORK IN A COMPLETELY VIRTUAL ENVIRONMENT  
James W. Barbour, Vice President of Engineering, Goldman Sachs

GRAPHING SCIENTIFIC DATA USING A MULTI-LINE REFRESHABLE DISPLAY  
Robert Jaquiss, Independent Science

CANUTE FOR COMPUTER SCIENCE  
Ed Rogers, Managing Director, Bristol Braille Technology; Stephanie Sergeant, Vision Through Sound;  
Charlie Harding, Bristol Braille Technologies

INNOVATIONS IN DYNAMIC BRAILLE  
William Freeman, Tactile Technology Product Manager, American Printing House for the Blind

BIG TECH UPDATE: WHAT'S GOING ON WITH MICROSOFT AND GOOGLE: A VIEW FROM THE USER GALLERY  
Curtis Chong, Treasurer, NFB in Computer Science

# Adjournment

The division meeting was adjourned at 5 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis Maher, Secretary

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