At Large Chapter Monthly Meeting

Thursday, August 15, 2024

President Cathy Gaten called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

Attendees

Cathy Gaten President of At Large

Tiffany Manosh President of River City Chapter and CA Board Member

Toby Wiseman Board Member of At Large

Jana Littrell At Large Vice-President

Carmen Weatherly Treasurer At Large Chapter

Gary Jordan Member

Nelly Cardenas Member

Bill Passmore Member

Ever Lee Hairston Member

Michael Hingson

Roy Payan Member

Cory Evans Guest

Gabe Vega Member

Gary said a prayer

The pledge of allegiance said by all

NFB pledge said by Ever

Secretary Minutes for June 2034 read by all members, Ever moved to accept the minutes as read, Jana second, and all approved the minutes as read.

Treasurer report read by Carmen

Beginning balance. $1,837.67. Expenses: PAC plan $10 for May, $10 for June. Members Stipends for National Conventions Offset Expense: Paid attending members banquet and registration fees for 2024 National Convention.

Members: Roy Payan, $100, Tiffany Manosh, $100, Ever Lee Hairston $100 and

President Cathy Gaten Stipend $300, Total expanse $620. Income: Donation - Gary Jordan $150. August 15th, 2024. Ending balance $1,367.67.

Toby talked about calls she made this month.

Ever brought up birthdays in August and July Cathy and Carmen

Played Presidential Release

Discussions:

Remembered disability act, Americans with Disabilities Act.

Matel’s release of blind barbie.

Legislative news: Discussions on representation. Blind Americans with disabilities return to work bill. Bill #HR8878 would eliminate SSDI, cliff would eliminate the 2 for 1 phase out on earnings.

2024 National Convention in Orlando High Lights

The monarch for elementary students and adults for Braille literacy.

Roy talked about the monarch and its cost and budget in the government and, then it became a group discussion.

Ever talked about voting at convention

Tiffany also felt it is great to vote and express your opinion. Got to meet a lot of new people.

President Riccobono’s banquet speech was phenomenal and the best he has ever done. She talked about a product called

Glidance.

2025 National Convention July 8-13 in New Orleans

National Convention for the next 4 years

2026 & 2027 Austin Texas

2028 & 2029 Chicago Illinois

New Potential Member:

Cory Evans introduced himself with brief history and is looking to become a member.

Michael talked about the history of NFB.

Tiffany talked about NFB’s Washington DC Seminar

Gabe Vega introduced himself with brief history and his company history.

Tiffany made the motion to adjourn, Jana second it, all agreed, meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Cathy Gaten – President

Jana Littrel – Vice president

Carmen Weatherly – Treasure

Elsie Hirata - Secretary