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September19 TH , 20 24 At Large Chapter Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:07 PM

Prayer led by Gary Jordan

Roll Call:

Cathy Gaten, President - Los Angeles

Carmen Weatherly, Treasurer – Paris

Mike Hingson, Member -Victorville

Gary Jordan, Member -Palmdare

Tiffany Manosh, Board Member, Citrus Heights

Toby Wiseman, Board Member- Irvine

Nelly Cardinas, Member - Los Angeles

Elsie Hirata, Secretary-San Joaquin

Isabel Ybarro

Tabitha Gaines, Second Vice-President of Inglewood Chapter-Inglewood , Guest Speaker -

Subject OIB program.

Pledge of Allegiance said by all

NFB Pledge said by Tiffany Manosh

August 2024 Meetings were not received by all. Tabled until voted in next chapter meeting.

August 15 th , 2024, Treasures Report by Carmen Weatherly, Treasurer.

Beginning balance - $1367.67

Expense: 10.00 PAC Plan

Income 255.00 Popin Popcorn Fundraiser

100.00 Mike Hingson Donation Back to Chapter\*

14.21Lynn Coats Membership Dues

14.21 Niel Shoemaker Membership Dues

Ending Balance September 19 the , 2024 $1,741.54

-Presidential Release Not Played- Discuss by Mike &amp; Tiffany

Rally Event will take place on October 15 the , 2024, from 10:00 AM until 3:00 PM in San

Francisco, California. The demonstration will start at Uber headquarters and then Lyft

headquarter. The demonstration is about the discrimination of Uber &amp; Lyft toward guide dog

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handlers. This demonstration is taking place in Blind Equality Awareness Month and on White

Cane Safety day.

-President Riccobono talked about Jonathan Mosen with Pod Cast won the Jacob Blottin

Award, he will be joining the NFB staff in a technology position to help the NFB with moving

forward with technology innovation.

Toby Wiseman Membership and Outreach Reports- Called Eric Calhoun about meeting, called

Task spoke to one of their people about the meeting, spoke to one of CLIMB’s people about the

meeting. Spoke with a person at Ollie Coast College Disable Resource Center

Carmen Weatherly Recognized member’s birthdays for August &amp; September 2024. Sent

birthday wishes from ALC members:

Jana – 09/15, Jordan Marina 9/26

Legislative Report by Tiffany- Washington Seminar will be held on February 3 rd , through the 5 the ,

2025.

Guest Speaker Tabitha Gaines, Instructor- Presenting the OIB Program. The Older Individual

who are Blind program at Wayfinder Family Service in Los Angeles. There are other blind

centers and independent living centers that provide the OIB services across the state of

California and nationwide. These services are provided to blind individuals who do not have an

open case with the Department of Rehabilitation. This is an alternative program for people who

do not have a vocational goal, but need technology services, resources, referral, independent

living training, AT training, ILS training, mobility training and other services that promote

independence without an employment goal. The program is under the umbrella of DOR. The

instructor goes to the individual’s home to assess their needs. The age range is now 18 years

and up. ALC’s secretary Elsie’s agency Community Center for the Blind in San Joaquin

provides the OIB and the AB 2480 programs. Handout information was provided to the

members. Member asked questions, The member thanked the guest speaker and she will get

info from members to apply for the OIB program

Tiffany talked about her NFB Rever City Chapter Presentation of the mobility device called

Glide. Tiffany helped the company Glidance with a virtual demonstration day. She described the

device. Amos Miller, the developer and owner of Glidance was the demonstrator of the new

mobility device Glide which will be out in September 2025 with a retail price of $1499.00 , order

now get $30 % discount. There will be live demo of the glide the first week of December all over

the state of California, Tiffany will provide the demonstration video.

Members want to have more guest speakers

Mike told members about his latest book on audible, amazon, or wherever you buy books. Title

&amp; Subtitle: Live Like a Guide Dog, True Stories from a Blind Man and his Dog about being

Brave, Overcoming Adversity, and Moving Forward in Faith.

A motion was moved by Tiffany to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Gray &amp; Carmen. All

were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

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Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Gaten-President

Jena Litrell, Vice-President

Carmen Weatherly, Treasurer

Elsie Hirata, Secretary

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