At Large Chapter Meeting Minutes Thursday, November 21st, 2024

Meeting, called to order at 7:03 PM

Meeting Prayer- Gary Jordan

Attendee:

Cathy Gaten -President

Jana Littrel – Vice President

Bill Passmore- Member

Mike Hingson - Member

Gary Jordan Member

Nelly Cardinas – Member

Toby Weisman – Board Member

Tiffany Manosh – Board Member

Pledges

Allegiance – All

NFB – by Tiffany

Secretary Minute Report – October minutes tabled until next meeting.

Treasurer Report by Tiffany

Beginning Balance as of October 17th, 2024: $1,646.54

Expenses: October PAC Plan $10.00

Total Expenses: 10.00 -

Income: None $ 0.00

Total income: $ 0.00

Total Ending Balance as of November 21st, 2024: $1,636.64

Respectfully submitted by Carmen Weatherly & Reported by Tiffany Manosh

Presidential Released summarized by Jana Littrell. Kernal’s book Stories of the Blind President Riccobono talked about John Cheatle who recently passed away. Jana played Kernal’s book by Barbara Pierce,” Wall to Wall Thanksgiving”. Link sent for Chapters to all members encourage members to listen to President release independently.

Toby report on Angel Arms Membership & Recruitment Report-Contact Eric Calhoun, Isabel Authur, Shelly Aloungi, groups contacted where TASK, CLIMB-Birthdays -October Bill Passmore, none in November.

Legislative news-no new news. Washington seminar February 3rd through February 6th, 2025, NFBC will sponsor 10 delegates, each participating with $500.00. The application form will be out soon. You are welcome to attend on your own.

State Convention: March 14th through 16th, 2025, Starting Friday evening, all day Saturday through Sunday noon (check out). Anaheim, CA Hilton DoubleTree Hotel, rate $159 plus tax each night. Look out for costs for registration and banquet to be announced. The Double Tree Hotel is near the Marriot Hotel where C SUN Technology Convention will be held on March 10th, through March 14th, 2025.

No meeting in December may meet for an hour for a holiday get-together.

Discuss member dues sent by December 31 for 2025.

Thoughts for this Year.

1. What are you thankful for this year?

 Ever Lee Harrison,-member joined the meeting. All members shared what they were thankful for life, health, friends, family, self-care, and sharing special and emotional moments and spending time with NFBC family.

2. What are your thoughts and views for 2025? The president-elect, one day at a time, Matt Gates resigned pleased & needs to be on the grateful list. Fear of losing social security benefits, Robert Kennedy announced that seed oil is not good for people. Concerns for wars in west Asia, deportation, nuclear war.

 Trying, not to let fear take over, not dwelling on what could happen. Focusing on the good in life.

3. Goals for the new year?

 Looking, forward to new software, going on a 12-day cruise, to determine to get moving forward with dissertation.

Discuss fund-raisers to send members to national convention mainly Gary who has never been to a convention.

 Announcements: River City, Popin popcorn fundraiser ends on Dec 1st,

 2024.

 Netflix miniseries about a blind comedian called “nothing to see here.” Mexican comedian, Stand- up comedy. Horrible comedy. Self-mocking and degrading

Motion to adjourn made by Jana, second by Gary, all agreed, meeting ended at 8:34 PM.