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At Large Chapter Meeting

May 15, 2025 Meeting Minutes

1. Roll Call: Cathy Gaten, Jana Littrell, Carmen Weatherly, Tiffany Manosh, Toby Weisman, Nelly

Cardenas, Michael Hingson, Ever Hairston, Bill Passmore

2. Prayer: Jana prayed over the meeting

3. Pledge of Allegiance: We all said it together

4. NFB Pledge: Cathy asked that Tiffany say the pledge and say it one line at a time so that

members could learn it.

5. Minutes: Tiffany moved that we table the minutes until next month. All approved

6. Treasurer Report:

a. Beginning Balance $1,504.17

b. Pac Plan -$10

c. Ending Balance $1,494.17

7. Membership Report: Toby shared that she called Shelli Alongi, Cast, Cline

8. Birthdays in May: Tiffany and Toby &amp; Michael’s Guide Dog Alamo

9. New Members: Cathy asked if there were any new members on the call and there were no new

members this month

10. Legislation: HR 1529 – Access Technology Affordability Act. Please email or call your members

so we can get it passed. HR 3417

11. Jana share an app called 5 Calls. If you want to call your member which all you do is enter your

info in the app. It was asked how was it spelled and Tiffany thought it was spelled out but after

looking it is the number 5 Calls.

12. Convention:

a. July 8 th – 13 th 2025

b. Registration is $25 &amp; Banquet is $80 for online and hotels are filling up

c. New Orleans Marriott &amp; overflow is the Sharaton

d. Tiffany shared that the Marriott is full but there are still rooms at the Shareton

e. Cathy mentioned Inosearch to help with shopping. Tiffany shared that Be My Eyes just

joined forces with them. Jana shared her experience with it. Jana purchased air pods.

It searches hundred of stores to find the cheapest price. Jana purchased the one item

and they called her to ask are you having any issues with the technology and felt it was a

nice touch from the company.

13. Presidential Release: Jana played the release.

a. Highlights include the following:

b. Encourage members to write resolutions

c. Braille monitor articles

d. Give $25 – Each $25 you donate will enter you in a drawing for the 2026 National

Convention &amp; 1,000 spending money

14. Philosophy Corner: If this is free is this for me? Jana shared that we get discounts because it is

free. We then had a discussion about this topic.

15. Cathy asked how everyone was doing after the first 100 days of new President: Ever shared that

people in Federal Government type jobs are being fired and loosing their jobs. Cathy then

shared her concerns and wanted to make sure everyone had food, shelter, clothing? Jana

shared that those who have the least income will suffer the most. Cathy asked if Toby was

good. Toby responded that she has support to help her. Jana shared, Cathy you are very kind

and this is why you are a good chapter president!

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16. Fundraiser: Tiffany shared that the Poppin Popcorn fundraiser is live. Please share with others.

We will have 21 days. The goal is support members to State &amp; National Convention.

17. Announcements:

a. Carmen stated that her daughter is doing a popcorn fundraiser and Bill wants to

support them too. Jana gave Kudos to Bill as being the most generous guy!

b. Tiffany shared that if anyone is interested in Blind Tennis to let her know. There is a

blind tennis clinic at Gold River Sports club every Thursday durning the month of May

c. Ever shared that she is having hernia surgery on June 6 th

d. Cathy asked that we all reach out to Elsie

18. Adjournment: Tiffany moved that we adjourn and Toby seconded the motion. All in favor

motion passed and meeting ended at 8:22 pm.