The National Federation of the Blind in Computer Science Annual Business Meeting Minutes for July 16, 2020

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A meeting of the National Federation of the Blind in Computer Science (NFBCS) was held, online, by Zoom, on Thursday, July 16, 2020.

The meeting was called to order by President Brian Buhrow at 1:02 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

Two program items were presented, after which President Buhrow called the business meeting to order at 2:07 P.M.

The membership agreed that the minutes from the NFBCS 2019 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, 2020, the NFBCS treasury had a balance of $577.27. The treasurer's report was approved.

Since 2020 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.

It was moved that the NFBCS contribute a total of $300.00: $200 to the STEM scholarship, and $100 to the White Cane fund. The motion was carried.

The business meeting was adjourned at 2:40 P.M. EDT.

Next, two more program items were presented.

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Below is a list of talks that were given during the 2020 NFBCS meeting.

MICROSOFT TEAMS ACCESSIBILITY FOR BLIND AND LOW VISION USERS

Anne Taylor, Accessibility Specialist, Microsoft Corporation

Anita Mortaloni, Office 365 Accessibility Specialist, Microsoft Corporation

MICROSOFT CLOUD, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCES, AND DEVELOPER TOOLS FOR A MORE ACCESSIBLE FUTURE

Ryan Shugart, Cloud + AI, Accessibility Specialist, Microsoft Corporation

Dante Gagne, Cloud + AI, Developer Division, Microsoft Corporation

ARE YOU BLIND AND INTERESTED IN A CAREER USING LINUX/UNIX? THREE PERSPECTIVES ON HOW TO DO THIS, A PANEL

Moderator, Harry Staley, Systems Analyst, United States Army

Tyler Littlefield, Software Engineer, Curriculum Associates

Igor Gueths, Linux Systems Engineer, Rackspace

IT'S MORE THAN JUST USER TESTING: HOW BLIND PROFESSIONALS ARE PROMOTING NONVISUAL ACCESS, A PANEL

Moderator: Jeanine Lineback, Senior Digital accessibility Consultant, Deque Systems

Steve Sawczyn, Principal Digital Accessibility Engineer, Optum/UnitedHealth Group

Tim Harshbarger, Senior Accessibility Consultant, Deque Systems

Randi Strunk, Lead Accessibility Consultant, Target Corporation

The division meeting was adjourned at 5 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis Maher, Secretary

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