

# OPTIONS & OPPORTUNITIES: THE ANNUAL MEETING

*of the*

## NATIONAL ORGANIZATION of PARENTS of BLIND CHILDREN—NOPBC

*Room W202B, Convention Center Level 2, Rosen Centre Hotel, Orlando, FL*

*July 3, 2014*

- 1:00 CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME**  
Carlton Anne Cook Walker, President, NOPBC
- 1:10 LET'S GET PHYSICAL: BEEP KICKBALL**  
Judy Byrd, Volunteer Director, Beep Kickball Association
- 1:20 EMPOWERED: CHOOSING TO "COME TO THE EDGE"**  
Theresa Postello, Teacher of Blind Students, CA  
2014 Distinguished Educator of Blind Children Award Winner
- 1:50 OPENING DOORS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SCIENCE**  
Cary Supalo, Independence Science; Carol Christian, Space Telescope Science Institute; Noreen Grice, Accessible Astronomy Educator
- 2:15 TACTILE GRAPHICS—ON THE CUTTING EDGE**  
Robert Jaquiss, American Thermoform; Al Maneki & Mike Rosen, E.A.S.Y. LLC
- 2:35 OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS**  
Julie Dedan, Director, Colorado Center for the Blind  
Natalie Shaheen, Director of Education, NFB Jernigan Institute
- 2:55 PARENT POWER**  
Jennifer Duffell-Hoffman, President, POBC of SC; Holly Miller, President, POBC-NJ
- 3:10 KIDS TAKING THE NEXT STEP**  
Megan Bening, College Student, MN; Hank Miller, 8<sup>th</sup> grade, NJ;  
Ally Banks, 7<sup>th</sup> grade, GA; Lucien Gandarias, 6<sup>th</sup> grade, WA  
**YOUTH WRITING CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCEMENT**
- 3:35 PAC PLAN**  
Scott LaBarre, Chairman, NFB PAC Plan
- 3:40 INCLUSIVE LEARNING TOYS**  
Maeve Jopson, Co-Founder, Increment
- 3:50 SUPPORT SERVICE PROVIDER PROGRAM—SSP**  
Kathy Gabry, Program Director, SSP/NJ;  
Jon Gabry, Project Specialist, iCanConnect/NJ
- 4:00 OPPORTUNITIES IN READING & RESEARCH**  
Laura Bostick & Casey Robertson, PDRIB; Lisa Wadors Verne, Bookshare
- 4:10 COMMITTEE REPORTS**  
**ELECTIONS**
- 4:30 ADJOURN**



***Don't forget to get your ticket for VIP entrance to the Braille Book Fair!***