**Linn-Benton Chapter Minutes; September 19, 2022**

**Zoom Meeting; 6:30 - 8pm**

**Present at the meeting were;**

**Kristen Jocums, Natalie Charboneau, Andrea Barnhurst, Lynne Brown, Alex Brown, John Gardner, Carolyn Gardner, Ashley Neybert, Jen Doran, Kirk Wagner, Sally Utt**

**MINUTES**

**The July and August minutes were unanimously approved.**

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

**There were no changes in our accounts over the month of September, so the account balance remains the same as in August, which is** $1,947.50.

Sally moved to approve the treasurer’s report, and Natalie seconded the motion, and the treasurer’s report for September was approved.

ALBANY RIGHT OF WAY

The report for the Albany Right of Way has just been released to members of the committee, and once all is approved the report will be released to the public. At that point the Project will advance to the next area of work on Parks and Recreation, and Buildings.

DIAL-A-BUS

Corvallis Transit Service is suspending bus service on weekends because of a shortage of drivers. Paratransit services are offered in relation to the CTS routes and schedules. DAB has plenty of drivers willing to drive, but their service may be required to stop giving rides on weekends until CTS becomes active on weekends again. (bummer)

**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT CAMPAIGNE**

**The contact that was made during the Open Streets event who offered to run an NFB service announcement for us in regards to blindness Awareness month has not come through for us, yet. It sounds like he did not want to run a pre-recorded message from NFB headquarters. Instead he gathered some info about NFB from our table at the event, and was planning to create his own recording, without our input. We are hoping that this is just a matter of some sort of communication confusion. Kristen will get in touch with him and figure out where we go from here.**

**STATE CONVENTION**

**Registration will be opening up soon for Oregon State Convention which is coming up , Oct. 28 – 30, in Medford.**

**Arrangements are being made to hire a bus to run from Portland to Medford, making a stop along the way in Salem, Albany and Springfield. Let Carla know if you are interested in booking a ride by Saturday Sept. 24. The cost will be $60.**

**John moved that our chapter pay the bus fee for those needing to take the bus. Natalie seconded this motion, and the group approved that the chapter pay the $60 bus fare for any of our members who ride the bus to the convention.**

**A Rookie Roundup via Zoom is planned for Tuesday Oct. 25, to talk about the agenda and answer questions you may have about how the event will work.**

**Door Prize and Auction;**

**The chapter passed a motion to give $25 cash as a door prize. We’re still undecided about an auction item, but may decide to put together the kitchen gift basket that we were in process with last year. Also maybe a wine gift.**

**TECH CORNER**

**Natalie demoed one of her favorite devices. The ID Mate Quest., which is a reliable bar code scanner. This is a small piece of stand alone tech which reads out all kinds of info about the item from the scanned bar code, such as nutrition info, cooking instructions, and overall description of the item. You also have the ability to create your own bar code, and bar code descriptions with the microphone. The ID Mate is rather expensive new, but some older models can still be found at a much lower price.**

**NEXT MEETING**

**We will meet next on Monday October 24, at 6:30pm, on Zoom.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Sally Utt**