# National Federation of the Blind of Ohio, Springfield Chapter

March 18, 2023

Location: Park Branch, Clark County Public Library

## Those present

* Debbie Baker
* Arlie Ray
* Gina Ray
* Mickie Cooper
* Pat Banaszak
* Dave Banaszak

## Reports and Branding

The Treasurer’s report was read for February. The ending balance for February was $6,296.15. Mickie moved to approve the treasurer’s reports as read, and Arlie Seconded. The motion passed.

## Unfinished Business

### Membership

Discussion was held regarding new membership recruitment ideas. Suggestions included locations such as health fairs, the Springfield Commons Fest, and the Clark County Fair. Activities included an art contest and face painting. A white tablecloth to fit an 8-foot table with the colorful NFB logo on the top, front, and both sides has been finalized and ordered.

### Donations for Project Woman

Gina moved to close out donations for Project Woman, and Mickie seconded. The motion passed. Arlie and Gina will shop for any items using donated cash, including items such as toiletries, underwear, socks, and diapers.

### Legislative Updates

The Seeing Eye Advocacy App has information regarding service animal travel.

The March presidential release was played.

A Board of Directors meeting will take place at 10:00 A.m. on April 29, 2023 and is an open meeting.

National Convention information may be found on

NFB.org/Convention.

Additionally, this year’s theme for the Ohio State NFB convention is Stronger Together.

### Fundraising

The Piggest Raffle is a yearly event and takes place in downtown Cincinnati on Sunday, May 07, 2023. It is held each year and includes a marathon and half-marathon. It is also called the Flying Pig Marathon. Raffle tickets were sold in the amount of $5 donation each. After all money and raffle tickets are gathered, Debbie and Gina will finalize the donation with a single check made out to the NFB-O and sent to NFB-O President, Richard Payne by April 10th. The drawing is to be held on Sunday, May 07, 2023 in downtown Cincinnati. The grand prize is $10,000 cash with $5,000 cash to the winning ticket holder and $5,000 to the charity who sold the ticket. Second prize is $5,000 cash with $2,500 cash to the winning ticket holder and $2,500 to the charity who sold the ticket. Third prize is a Cincinnati Getaway Experience listed at over $1,500 value. Winners need not be present to win and must meet all winner criteria. 100% of your donation will go to Flying Pig Charities or your designated charity. For more information and contest rules, visit https://piggestraffleever.com.

Other fundraising ideas were discussed that included events such as bingo, silent auction, and dine-to-donate.

## New Business

Member, Susan Day has a new phone number of 937-356-9660.

Arlie gave a demonstration of Scrip Talk. Meijer pharmacy in Springfield and one location in Dayton has a small electronic reader available that can be requested and shipped to you free of charge. The machine reads NFC labels on prescriptions filled at Meijer, including prescriptions filled for pets, upon request. The machine plugs in, then you simply place the prescription bottle or package on top of the machine and it starts reading the prescription label.

Debbie shared information on the Blind Kitchen Podcast and website, Eyes on Success. Podcasts are available on subjects such as stovetop and oven cooking, slicing, and chopping. Accessible measuring items are available to order.

Debbie shared information on STEM2U to take place at COSI in Columbus on May 21, 2023. The National Federation of the Blind works to improve opportunities for blind students in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. NFB STEM2U, brings nonvisually accessible STEM lessons and activities to blind youth. The theme this year is outer space and braille models will be included. Additional information may be found at NFB.org. Volunteers are needed for this event.

Our next meeting is April 15th at 1:00 PM in the Gaier Room of the downtown Clark County Library. The May meeting is May 20th at 10:30 AM in the Gaier Room, and June is June 17th at 10:30 in the Gaier Room.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Aleeha Dudley

Secretary

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With credit to Gina Ray for constructing the minutes