Informal Minutes

Potomac Chapter

National Federation of the Blind of Virginia

March 8, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President John Halverson at 7:05 pm on March 8,2018. With the absents of our recording secretary, President Halverson agreed to take informal notes of the meeting proceedings.

After a brief welcome, we introduced ourselves with the usual icebreaker Question. This month we indicated our favorite cuts of meat. We received a diversity of answers with some individuals stating their favorite cuts were vegetables. Eleven members were present and eight more straggled in during the next few minutes.

After a moment of silence, Sandy Halverson gave a brief report on the condition of Charlie Brown, our friend and colleague. He had esophageal cancer surgery and no signs of cancer were detected.

John Halverson brought snacks consisting of chocolate chip cookies and trail mix.

The minutes were approved with two minor corrections. A treasurer’s report was given for the period February 8 through March 8. The beginning balance was $1358.55 with an ending balance of $1196. (Note wine tasting proceeds were not counted in this report.)

The Presidential Release was played with the most important topic being a discussion of our NFB code of conduct. Sandy Halverson read each section and President of our Virginia affiliate, Tracy Soforenko led a spirited discussion.

Our successful wine tasting fund raiser was reviewed. It was mentioned that the number of participants was slightly lower than last year’s numbers. We agreed to hold our Spring auction (Spring Fling) on June 2.

President Halverson mentioned that State Representative Lopez has agreed to speak to our chapter later in the Spring. A nominating and audit committee was appointed and Halverson indicated he is unable to attend the April meeting because he and Sandy are attending a Junior ROTC banquet that evening in Independence Missouri where their grand daughter will receive several awards. Halverson indicated he does wish to run for president.

Our 50/50 prize of $13 was drawn with the winner being.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted

John Halverson, President

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