## **AGENDA**

## National Association of Blind Merchants A Division of the National Federation of the Blind Annual Meeting at the Convention of the National Federation of the Blind, Dallas, TX – Hilton Anatole Hotel Monday, July 2, 2012

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The National Association of Blind Merchants would like to thank En-Vision America for their support for our Snack Pack for Opportunities Program. The i.d. mate legacy continues with the launch of the 5th generation of talking bar code scanners, Quest.

i.d. mate Quest was designed with multiple new features such as Wi-Fi and Bluetooth connectivity, Skype, currency identification, mp3 capabilities and more! Whether you are technically gifted or not, it is still a fast and easy way to gain information and identify items at home, at work, or wherever you are. There are some great new updates and features for inventory functions, and more elements in the works. Quest goes beyond just bar code identification. Stop by booth #A3 for more information about Quest and ScripTalk Station (ask about the Walmart Pharmacy pilot program), and to play

the i.d. mate Snack Pack Challenge!

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- 1:30 Call to Order Nicky Gacos, President
- 1:35 Role Call
- 1:50 Welcome to Texas
  Clayton Hell, Chairman, Committee of Blind Vendors, Business
  Enterprises of Texas
- 1:55 En-Vision America
  Anna McClure, Director of Marketing and Industry Relations,
  En-Vision America
- 2:00 Making it Happen for the Blind in Vending Aaron McCullum, Vistar Dallas
- 2:10 Dream!
  Carl Jacobsen, Chairman, National Federation of the Blind Imagination Fund
- 2:20 National Federation of the Blind Entrepreneurs Initiative Protect, Defend, Advance.
   Terry Smith, Business Opportunity Specialist, National Federation of the Blind
- 2:35 On the Barricades in the Court room Susan Kern, Esquire, Denver, CO
- 2:50 The Fighting Illini, "V" for Victory in Vending and Beyond A panel, John Gordon, Chairman, Illinois Committee of Blind Vendors, Ed Birmingham, President, Association of Illinois Blind Vendors
- 3:05 Leading the Way, the "Lone Star State"
  Mike Hooks, Director, Business Enterprises of Texas

## **Agenda Continued**

- 3:20 A Report from the President Nicky Gacos, President, National Association of Blind Merchants
- 3:30 The Washington Perspective
  Jessie Hartle, Governmental Affairs Specialist, National
  Federation of the Blind
- 3:45 Indiana Super Blast, Taking Training to a Whole New Level Kevan Worley, Conference Coordinator
- 3:50 It Really Can Happen
  Carlos Servan, Business Enterprise Program Director,
  Nebraska Commission for the Blind
- 4:00 Leading the Effort, Active Participation at the National Level Dr. Michael Jones, Director, Oklahoma Services for the Blind
- 4:15 Funding the Movement, Treasure's Report Kevan Worley, Treasurer
- 4:25 Report of the Nominating Committee Pamela Schnurr, Chair Person
- 4:30 Elections
- 4:35 Old Business
- 4:45 New Business
- 5:00 Adjourned