**Wyoming Council of the Blind**

**Minutes from 2023 Annual Hybrid Business Meeting**

**September 9, 2023**

**The 2023 annual business meeting was called to order by President, Cheryl Godley, at 3:15 PM. Roll indicated that there were 9 members present, thus a quorum.**

**Officers present:**

**President - Cheryl Godley**

**Vice President – Tom Lealos**

**Secretary - Sherry Leinen**

**Interim Treasurer - Tom Smyth**

**Board Members present:**

**Sharon Byers, Debra Thompson**

**Regular Members present:**

**Laurel Henry, Sarah Sexton, Patrick Shugart**

**President’s Address: written by Cheryl Godley and read by Tom Smyth. Refer to attached report for more information.**

**Sherry read the minutes from the 2022 annual business meeting. No additions or corrections were needed. Debra Thompson moved to accept the minutes as read. 2nd by Tom Lealos. M/C.**

**Interim treasurer Tom Smyth presented the State of Wyoming and the IRS report. He also reported that the WyCB Hilltop Bank account was transferred over to cosigners Pres. Cheryl Godley and interim treasurer Tom Smyth on June 1, 2023. The WyCB Registered Agent with the State of Wyoming changed from Sherry Leinen to Tom Smyth on July 7, 2023.**

**Sharon Byers moved to accept these reports as presented. 2nd by Debra Thompson. M/C.**

**The annual treasurers report was presented by interim treasurer Tom Smyth.**

**Balance forward 07/01/2022: $5021.90**

**Income: $3842.16**

**Expenditures: $2994.71**

**Ending balance 06/30/2023: $5744.45**

**No additions or corrections were needed. Tom Lealos moved to accept the annual treasurers report as presented. 2nd by Debra Thompson. M/C.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**-Advocacy – No report**

**-Talking Books Program – report written and read by Sherry Leinen. Refer to attached report for more information.**

**-White Cane Law – report written and read by Sherry Leinen. Refer to attached report for more information.**

**-Convention – report written and read by Tom Lealos. Refer to attached report for more information.**

**-Website – report written by Cheryl Godley and read by Tom Smyth. Refer to attached report for more information.**

**-Newsletter – report written and read by Tom Lealos. Refer to attached report for more information.**

**-Membership – report written by Cheryl Godley and read by Tom Smyth. Refer to attached report for more information.**

**-Scholarship – report written and read by Debra Thompson. Refer to attached report for more information.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**-WyCB Round up – report written and read by Tom Lealos. Refer to attached report for more information.**

**-Fundraising – report written by Jacquie Flatley and read by Sharon Byers. Refer to attached report for more information.**

**-Grants – report written by Cheryl Godley and read by Tom Smyth. Refer to attached report for more information.**

**-Update of ACB Imperatives: report written and read by Cheryl Godley. Refer to attached report for more information.**

**Recognition of Outstanding Members: Pres. Cheryl Godley presented Jacquie Flatley and Tom Lealos each a plaque for outstanding work from the board.**

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

**Nominations:**

**Vice President: Tom Lealos (2023-2025)**

**Treasurer: Tom Smyth (2023-2025)**

**Director: Sarah Sexton (2023-2025)**

**Director: Gary Olson (2023-2025)**

**Tom Lealos moved to close nominations and that we confirm by affirmation the proposed list of nominations. 2nd by Debra Thompson. M/C.**

**Meeting adjourned at 4:31 PM.**

**Respectively Submitted,**

**Sherry Leinen-Secretary**