**Wyoming Council of the Blind**

**Minutes from July Regular Board Meeting held via phone on July 9, 2019**

**The July meeting was called to order by President, Sherry Leinen, at 7:05pm. Initial roll call indicated that 5 board members were present, thus constituting a quorum. 3 additional board members joined the call after roll call for a total of 8 board members present.**

**Officers present:**

**President – Sherry Leinen**

**Secretary/Treasurer – D’Anna Feurt**

**Board Members present:**

**Cheryl Godley, Chris Johnson, Dolores Dolbare, Jacquie Flatley, Kendall Bays, Marti Blough.**

**Guests: Marcy Schaepe**

**Absent: Vice President – Mikaela Piasecki**

**D’Anna Feurt read the minutes from the June meeting. Dolores Dolbare moved to accept the minutes as read. 2nd by D’Anna Feurt. M/C**

**D’Anna Feurt presented the Treasurer’s report for June 2019 as prepared by Ilene Whiteley. Beginning balance from 6/01/19 was $6,011.96. Current ending balance as of June 30, 2019 is $9,377.32. (Detail will be filed with minutes)There was some discussion about the treasurer’s report and why outstanding checks were not taken into account when determining the ending balance. It was also mentioned that more detail needs to be added to report for payments and deposits. It was decided that the June treasurer’s report needs to be amended to include outstanding checks. Jacquie Flatley moved that Treasurer’s report be tabled until corrected. Marti Blough seconded. M/C**

**D’Anna discussed creating earmarks for future obligations. Board doesn’t see the need to do this right now and thought this might need a budget meeting if decided to do this.**

**Jacquie advised that books need to be audited between treasurers to protect outgoing treasurer. It was suggested that an outside party review the records to protect the board. Jacquie will ask a few people to see if they would be willing to do it. It was also suggested that perhaps Hilltop Bank would do it.**

**Chris Johnson informed the board that he talked to AT&T about phones and getting a phone for the President’s use. He was advised that there were plans for 25 cents/minute rather than $20/month. Sherry also mentioned that she had talked to someone at Walmart regarding a Tracfone, but those plans required purchasing minutes that expired at the end of each month. She went with an AT&T phone and then was unable to get it set up without purchasing a monthly plan. As of this date, phone has not been set up. Chris talked to someone at AT&T and was told they have a phone that is 25 cents per minute. Sherry will need to get to an AT&T store to get it set up. Brochures will have to wait longer for printing until the phone is set up and have a phone number.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Website**

**Sherry will write a summary of the convention and send it to Annette to have it put on the website and also send it to all members.**

**Brochure – Brochures are on hold until a phone is set up for President so that the number can be listed on the brochure.**

**Advocacy – Information was presented at annual meeting in June. Next advocacy meeting is July 31, 2019. It will be a call-in meeting.**

**Fundraisers – $3,066.50 raised this year from fundraisers. Jacquie suggested fundraising at the Casper mall during Christmas. It was also suggested to sell t-shirts with the WyCB logo. Sherry mentioned that the board still needs to buy brochure holders so that needs to be a priority. Sherry asked whether the board still wants to do raffle packages or do something different. More feedback will be provided at next meeting.**

**Convention/Thank You’s – Sherry is working on Thank you notes. She has about 2/3 of them done, but not yet sent out. She hopes to have them done and mailed out by week end. Jacquie advised the board that she has already sent out a thank you note to Wind River Casino.**

**Annual Meeting Minutes – D’Anna read the annual meeting minutes. Minutes will not be approved until next year’s annual meeting.**

**Treasurer’s Report – D’Anna reviewed the Treasurer’s report prepared by Ilene Whiteley. There was an issue with the treasurer’s report and figures. It was suggested that perhaps future reports should be separated when months are split by a meeting.**

**Survey – Only 6 surveys were received. One commented that the keynote speaker should be first at the convention. All responses indicated that the liked the location and preferred tables and chairs. 1 survey requested a full meal, several marked sandwich bar/salad lunch, and 1 did not mark anything.**

**Outside of the surveys, there were some complaints by attendees about the heat as well as the luncheon. Sherry tried to contact Jersey Mike’s about the lunch issue and not getting the boxed lunches as requested. The manager seems to be avoiding her so she has not been able to get any resolution at this time.**

**Old Business – Phone, brochure and something else that couldn’t be recalled. It was suggested that we hold these over until next meeting.**

**New Business – Jacquie advised the board that her guest, Marcy, would like to become a member and hopes to do so in the next few months. She would like to head up the convention committee after she becomes a member. Jacquie asked the board if anyone would have any qualms with her doing this. Sherry stated that she’d be ok with this. Marti moved that we pay for Marcy’s membership to WyCB for 2019-2020. 2nd by Jacquie. M/C**

**Jacquie mentioned that she is also looking at other venues to use for next year’s convention due to the complaints about the heat.**

**Jacquie motioned that the board provide $50 to D’Anna to purchase an ink cartridge, ream of paper and postage. 2nd by Dolores. M/C.**

**Sherry needs postage as well to mail thank you’s and also an ink cartridge. Jacquie moved that we provide Sherry $70 for ink, paper and postage as well. 2nd by Marti. M/C**

**Dolores moved to adjourn meeting. 2nd by Marti. M/C**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:13pm.**