



COUNCIL OF CITIZENS WITH LOW VISION INTERNATIONAL

**CCLVI Board Meeting
January 7, 2015. 8:30 P.M. Eastern
By Teleconference: (832) - 551 – 5900 code: 368623#**

Meeting Called to order at 8:35 Eastern by President Glaser.

Present: Charlie Glaser, Dan Smith, Leslie Spoone, Linda Allison, Kathy Farina, Grady Ebert, Fred Scheigert, Robert Spangler, Jim Jirak.

Absent: Michael Byington, Melody Banks, Bianca Knight.

Guests: Dr. Bill Takeshita, Lindsey Tilden, Mike Gravitt, Mike Keithley, Cathy Schmitt Whitaker.

Secretary's Report: Dan Smith moved to approve minutes of the November meeting as read, Second Leslie Spoone - MC

Treasurers Report:

CHECKING: Beginning Balance \$638.97

Deposit:
\$757.51

Deductions:
\$10.61 Jim Jirak, postage
\$16.92 Business Checks

Ending Balance \$1368.99

BOOK ACCOUNT: Beginning Balance \$285.00
\$20.00 Deposit

Ending balance \$305.00

SAVINGS: Beginning Balance: \$10,000.00

Interest \$0.95

End balance \$10,000.95

Grady moved to accept as presented second Dan Smith. MC

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Convention Committee - Jim Jirak: Dan Smith, Bianca Knight, Lindsey Tilden. The committee has met and has several ideas and is working on the upcoming convention. Next meeting is January 19, 2015.

E-communications Webmaster - Robert Spangler: Those who had been interested have not worked out. Robert Spangler has put together a webpage that can be put up on the server as soon as ACB gets there transfer to the Godaddy servers. Charlie appointed Robert Spangler as E-communications Chair.

Discussion on the scholarships took place concerning the availability of the information and deadlines. It was not clear as to there being adequate time to make information available. With ACB having issues with the transfer to the new servers and the availability of forms for the new website it was unclear if things could be in place by January 15.

Legislation – Dan Smith: nothing going on at this point, everything starts over again with the new Congress.

Membership – Jim Jirak: Sent out the letters in December.

Publications – Mike Keithley: Charlie reported that Vision Access should be going out in the next week or so for final formatting. Formatting was once again discussed. Formatting will be looked into at future meetings.

Book Committee: Amazon, Linda Allison is still working on the Amazon process. She needs to know what is wanted as a product description. The book committee will discuss the description. Next meeting will be January 13, 2015, 8:30 pm EST.

Fund Raising – Leslie Spooone: the committee will be meeting and has been meeting on a regular basis. Working on ideas and will be working on finalizing details.

CCLVI should have a walk team the fund-raising committee will work on getting a team going. Please think about MMS and about upgrading your donations. Recommendation that we have a fund-raising budget of \$500 for assisting in funding the efforts of fund-raising. The budget committee will meet and discuss the budget and include the recommendation.

NEW BUSINESS:

ACB Mid-year meeting in Washington DC: Leslie, Linda and Robert will be going to the mid-year meetings in Washington DC. Jim Jirak motion to send Charlie as the CCLVI representative. Grady Ebert second, MC.

Next Meeting: February 4, 2015 at 8:30 eastern.

Adjournment: 9:47 Eastern

Respectfully Submitted
Robert Spangler
CCLVI - Secretary