



# COUNCIL OF CITIZENS WITH LOW VISION INTERNATIONAL

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**CCLVI Board Meeting**  
**May 6, 2015. 8:30 P.M. Eastern Time**  
**By Teleconference: (832) 551 – 5900 code 368623#**

Meeting called to order at 8:38 Eastern by President Glaser

**Present:** Charlie Glaser, Dan Smith, Leslie Spooone, Linda Allison, Kathy Farina, Robert Spangler, Bianca Knight. Fred Scheigert, Grady Ebert.

**Absent:** Melody Banks, Michael Byington, Jim Jirak

**Guest:** Mike Keithley

**Secretaries Report:** Minutes of the April meeting were read. Grady move to approve, second by Dan. MC.

**Treasurers Report:**

**GENERAL** Beginning Balance: \$5,199.03

**DEPOSITS:**

\$0.13 Interest

\$30.00 Memberships

\$0.13 Interest

**DEDUCTIONS:**

\$1,500.00 Scholarships

\$823.32 Reimbursement to Charlie for attendance of Mid-Year

\$5.54 Reimbursement Postage

**Ending Balance \$2,900.54**

**SAVINGS:** Beginning Balance \$37,737.23

\$3.72 Interest Deposits

\$4.25 Interest

**Ending Balance \$37,745.20**

**BOOK ACCOUNT:** Beginning Balance \$355.02

\$0.01 Interest Deposits

\$250.75 Debits 10 ISBN numbers from Balkler.

**Ending Balance: \$104.28**

**Foley Fund**  
**\$16,588.40**

**Scheigert:**

**\$63,175.66 Total funds CD's**

**\$3,582.59 Liquid as of 14-15.**

**Program Fund:**

**\$31,351.17 as of January 31, 2015**

Move to allow Linda to put funds from the CD into a short term CD \$12,000. Second Dan. MC

Move to approve treasurers report made by Dan second by Grady. MC

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Convention Committee - Jim Jirak:** Jim and the committee have done a great job and everything is on track. Thanks Jim and all on your committee.

**E-communications Webmaster - Robert Spangler:** The Web site had 2226 visits last month and so far this month we have had 355. The email lists have been setup and some traffic has been seen on several of them. We are having an issue with some emails not getting to the recipients, this being those on AOL. Working on the Facebook site to get the email all set properly. Twitter: Richard will continue taking care of the account. Charlie will contact Katie Fredrick for Facebook information since she was the one who setup the account.

**Legislation – Dan Smith:** HR-729 has 10 sponsors and is making progress. Keep pushing for your Representatives to gain sponsors. The department of Justice has changed the process of filing ADA complaints and in doing so should help in speeding up the progress.

**Publications – Mike Keithley:** “Vision Access”. The format was discussed, it was suggested that we remove the columns.

**Line spacing:** We are using 1.5 line spacing it was suggested that we try 1.15. Mike recommends that we abandon columns and to keep the spacing until we get feedback on the columns removal.

Mike will send sample formats to the CCLVI-Board list for the board to give their suggestions.

**Quarterly question:** Should we go to three “Vision Access” a year? It was suggested that we have a Vision Access for May, September and January.

Dan moved that we change the schedule to three a year, May, September and January. Second Linda. MC

**Scholarship:** Leslie gave the report. We have no scholarship winners for this year. We had no submissions due to so many issues causing delays in the announcements.

**Fund Raising – Leslie Spooone:** The committee is going very well with a lot of activities ready for the convention. Great Job Committee people.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Stipend:** Linda researched available funds and found that CCLVI had funds available to support a stipend program. It was felt by all that since other organizations offer stipends to members to attend the ACB National Conference and Convention CCLVI should provide a stipend program to assist CCLVI leaders to attend both ACB and CCLVI programming.

Linda moved since we have funds that will support funding of a stipend program we should set aside \$5,000 and offer the stipend of \$500 to all board members with the following requirements. 1. Must be a Board member in good standings; 75% or better attendance. 2. Must be physically present at the CCLVI Business Meeting. 3. Will not receive payout until the end of the CCLVI Business meeting. Second Leslie MC

**Charlie:** Asked that CCLVI cover three additional nights so he can attend the voting process Friday at the ACB convention. Linda move to cover up to \$350 for the additional three nights so that Charlie may vote on CCLVI behalf. Second Grady MC

**Melody Banks:** It was asked if contact had been made with Melody. Charlie attempted to contact Melody but was unsuccessful. Charlie will send a letter to Melody by return receipt mail explaining the boards action and giving her the opportunity to respond at the next Board meeting on June 3rd.

**Next Meeting: June 3, 2015 at 8:30 Eastern.**

If there should be something come up that a meeting is needed Charlie will contact the board to schedule it.

**Adjournment: 10:30 Eastern**

Respectfully Submitted  
Robert Spangler  
CCLVI - Secretary