Meeting called to order 1:45 pm Central by President Glaser.
Twenty-nine members were present.

The main business of the meeting was constitution and bylaws changes.

Proposed changes were presented to the membership one section at a time for approval. Those amendments that were approved are attached and published on the website.

A discussion on the issue of dues was quite lengthy. It was explained that CCLVI dues were used to publish Vision Access and that with the current dues structure the cost of publishing only covered approximately two issues. Linda explained that in an effort to bring the cost into line with what the dues would cover the Board had decided to publish Vision Access three times a year rather than quarterly. This would save CCLVI approximately $800 a year. Dan explained that the Board had plans to publish Vision Access in September, January and May. Charlie also explained that if dues could be increased Vision Access could possibly go back to quarterly. It was also pointed out that dues had not increased since 1979, when CCLVI was organized. Motion was made to publish Vision Access three times a year in September, January and May. Motion passed.

The dues question continued. It was pointed out that at large members pay $15 dues while chapters only pay $10 to CCLVI for each member. A proposal to increase dues to $25 was suggested but quickly came to an end. A second proposal was offered, raising the dues to $15 for affiliate members and to $20 for at-large members, this proposal was also defeated. A third proposal would increase all dues to $15. As no agreement could be reached it was suggested to move on with other proposed changes.

Discussion on voting was quite lengthy as it was felt that the current voting language was unfair to many. It was pointed out that while CCLVI has several large chapters giving those members an ability to cast affiliate votes that would far outreach those available to the at-large members. Several proposals were made but died due to lack of seconds. The language proposed by the constitution and bylaws committee was narrowly accepted after great discussion.

Webmaster was brought up to the membership after several questions concerning the past issues with the website. Charlie explained that Annette Carter had stepped down as webmaster and that the board had been looking for a new person to take it on. Several candidates were suggested and after no action Robert Spangler had submitted a sample to the board. Charlie explained that the new site has improved accessibility and has a better look. Robert had been appointed by the board to fill the position. A motion was made that Robert Spangler be appointed as the CCLVI webmaster and that he give annual reports to the membership. Questions were asked about what the webmaster duties exactly would be going forward. It was decided that the webmaster position would be a membership appointment and that the webmaster would handle the ecommunications duties. Charlie added as a amendment to the motion that the webmaster provide the board with updates. Motion was approved.

The minutes of the 2014 business meeting were read and approved.

The treasurers report was reviewed quickly as the meeting was reaching the scheduled end time. The question of a stipend was asked. Linda explained that the Board had put together a stipend policy and that funds were available that did not involve any funds used for CCLVI operations.
Charlie explained that the stipend helped with some of the expenses in attending the CCLVI business meeting and taking part in activities connected with CCLVI. The stipend would be available to the CCLVI Board members who meet the requirements of the policy approved by the Board. A motion was made to approve the stipend policy. A brief discussion concerning eligibility followed. Motion passed. Motion was made to accept the treasurers report. Motion was seconded and passed.

With only a few major discussions the meeting completed the agenda and the meeting adjourned at 4:38 pm Central time

Respectfully submitted
Robert Spangler
Secretary CCLVI