

NFB of SC
April 6, 2019
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Federation Center

The meeting was called to order by President Frank Coppel.

The members present were Frank Coppel, Lenora Robertson, Debra Canty, Shannon Cook, Valerie Warrington, Jamie Allison, Ed Bible, Steve Cook, Linda Dizzley, Loretta Green,

Members not present were JW Smith, Garrett Mosley, Donald Capps, and Keith Redding.

Others present were AJ McFadden, Matthew Duffell-Hoffman, Parnell Diggs, Julie Bible, Dondra Bible, Shelley Coppel, Herbert Boykin, Pat Wolthoff, Dale Wolthoff., Hilda Smalls, Dorothy Barksdale, and David Houck.

Reading and Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the December and January meetings were read, moved for passage, seconded, and passed by the board.

Treasurer's Report:

Valerie Warrington read the financial report for the past 4 months. It was moved, seconded, and passed by the board.

Ending Balance \$6908.42, Bell \$2845.96, Scholarship \$125
\$3937.49. balance for the general fund.

Shannon cook moved for passage of the minutes. It was seconded and passed by the board.

Frank asked how it is going with getting things moved over to the national center taking over the financial. Valerie Warrington said that the transition is going well, but it is a slow process.

Chair Coppel asked about using a summary method instead of detailed financial report. The board decided to have it stay as is with all of the detailed information.

He also asked about increasing the mileage from 0.35 to \$0.40 per mile. Shannon Cook moved for passage. The motion was seconded and passed by the board.

Federation Center Report:

David Houck reported on the updates, upgrades, and changes to the center staff, buildings, etc.

Dondra Bible has come on board as the Special Projects Coordinator. Beginning the week of April 22nd, the lighting will be changed to LED lighting. This will save the center approximately \$900 per year. The blind instructors are working with 20 students.

Donations have been made to the FCB from.

Ed continued with the FCB report. He discussed the MOU with the SC Commission for the Blind and Clemson University.

Amazon Smile Program:

Successful Transitions:

Jennifer Bazer restated that the students that ST now works with is now all blind students. The number has gone from 400 to 120 students. Though the amount of students has decreased it allows for more attention and focus to be given to each of the students who are there AJ McFadden said that he went for a leadership weekend and enjoyed the Washington Seminar.

Branding:

The Lee County Chapter has a Black & White Banquet. President Riccobono saw the post about the event and wanted to have us change the name of the banquet so others do not make incorrect assumptions about the nature of the event.

Midlands Gives:

Frank encouraged the district board members to rally their troops in their districts to raise money for RBRCCB and the NFB of SC.

Member-at-Large Chapter:

Frank said that he has asked Ed Bible to spearhead the Member-at-Large Chapter. Frank asked for help for Ed.

Membership Coins:

Will be given at the state convention.

Website:

Frank asked about moving the NFB of SC website from the current server to an outside server.