



**The National Association for the Employment of People who are Blind**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE NAEPB BOARD**

**MAY 13, 2024**

**THE WESTIN HOTEL**

Mr. Steiner reported there was a quorum of the board present for this session. Mr. Gould was present on the phone, and Mr. Fernald had left the meeting.

Mr. Mittman turned the meeting over to Mr. Stueckrath.

Mr. Stueckrath said this executive session has been requested to discuss an agency who has requested a hardship waiver for the current year's dues.

Mr. Stueckrath has had conversations with CEOs regarding their dues. A section of the bylaws states that the board can accept a waiver from an agency if they are having a hardship difficulty. Under this section, Lions Services has requested a waiver of their dues for this year due to a disruption in business.

The President and CEO, Philip Murph is here to answer any questions that anyone may have.

Mr. Stueckrath said that the annual dues for Lions Services in Charlotte are \$3,000 and that Mr. Murph is very engaged in NAEPB and has done a lot of work.

Mr. Johnson agrees supports helping.

Mr. Stueckrath made a motion to waive the \$3,000 dues for FY24 and allow Lions Services to remain as a member agency. Mr. Katz and Mr. Gould support and second the motion.

Mr. Mittman asked for a vote on the motion, and it was accepted unanimously.

Mr. Murph said it was very hard for him to come before the board and ask for this, but the agency is struggling and every dollar we are trying to utilize the best way possible. Things are starting to turn around somewhat, and he hopes to be back to normal within a year.

Mr. Murph thanked the board for this waiver and for their confidence in him and his agency to approve it.

There being no further business, the executive session was adjourned at 4:00 pm.