

Braille Library and Transcribing Services Inc.

6501 Watts Rd.; #149; Madison, WI 53719

Annual membership Meeting

April 7, 2021

President Patricia Herrling called the Annual Membership Meeting to order via the Zoom program at 12 noon on April 7, 2021 with 18 members and staff present.

Prior to the meeting members and staff introduced themselves and reminisced about their years of service to BLTS.

The first order of business was the election of officers and Board members. Those elected unanimously for a two-year term were: Patricia Herrling, president; Karen Perzentka, secretary; and Joan Sholdt, Board member. Those members continuing their terms are: Connie Risjord, second vice-president; Sue Nelson, treasurer; Sandra Adams, Kathy Dorn and Melody Moore, Board of Directors.

BLTS is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary in 2021 and Sue Nelson is spearheading a committee which will bring attention and celebrate the organization throughout the year. Public Service announcements have been distributed to media outlets throughout the state. Members were asked to submit their memories and highlights of their service to the organization. Patricia thanked everyone for their service and contributions throughout these years. In October a celebration will take place; if possible we will meet in person; a venue has not yet been selected for this event.

Our program was presented by Judy Sherry, an employee for Low Incidence Consulting Services. In her position she assists teachers of the visually impaired in southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois with the transcription of braille materials for their students such as hand-outs, tests and tactiles. She finds this career to be not only challenging but very rewarding. She took the braille transcription course through BLTS, formerly known as VBTI.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 PM.

Karen Perzentka,

Secretary