

VATA
Business Meeting
1/12/08
Charlottesville, VA

Welcome: John Reynolds
Meeting came to order at 11:22 am
Approval of January 2007 Minutes
Motion: Bob Libeau
Second: Tim Laurent
Vote: Unanimous

I. OFFICER REPORTS

A. President

Number of attendees for 2008:

Continuing initiatives

VATA participation with Capitol Hill Day

PR efforts

NATM postcard campaign

Ongoing projects

Young Professionals Symposium

What's New

VATA EC Mission and Vision Statements

Recognition to outgoing Chairs – Deb Bradney and Todd Korabek

B. President-Elect

No Report

C. Treasurer

Balances as of 12/31/07 = 37,901.47

D. Secretary

Goal was to have on-line voting capabilities in 2007, but website was placed behind other priorities. We will form a 'website team' to investigate formats and costs.

Direct links to all accredited Athletic Training Programs in Virginia should be added to "Related Links" page by the end of January

Continuing to working on Past Presidents page

Spring Newsletter submission deadline is March 28, 2008.

Motion to accept Officer Reports: Jorena Simpkins

Second: Tom Kuster

Accepted unanimously

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. CIC – (looking for Chair)

- o No report

B. Constitution and By-laws (Brent Arnold)

- o Thank Ian for his service as Chair
- o No report

C. Conference (Ian Rogol)

- o Currently looking at bids for 2009 meeting

- Any suggestions would be appreciated, looked into Richmond area
- D. **CUATC** (Tom Kuster)
 - Reminder about Awards program and deadline for nominees is March 20, 2008. NATA website has additional information about these awards and the nomination process
- E. **Legislative** (Dave Pawlowski)
 - Since Oct 31, 2007 Provisional Licensure language has changed. “On site supervision” instead of “periodic supervision” – most likely will effect graduate programs
 - BOC certified people will have an easier time getting a license through the Board of Medicine – effective sometime this Spring
- F. **Membership** (Emily Evans)
 - Thank Debbie Bradney for her service as Chair
- G. **Nominations** (John Reynolds)
 - Election for President Elect
 - Tom Kuster (vote 85 yes)
 - Election for Secretary
 - Angela Mickle nominated by Jorena Simpkins
 - Vote 89 yes
 - Still looking for Committee Chairs – CIC and Legislative
- H. **Public Relations** (Heather Murphy)
 - Aug 2007 VATA was awarded Honorable Mention for PR efforts for postcard campaign
 - Illinois and VA were neck in neck for first place
 - Still working with PR Firm that developed tool kit
 - PSA video created

NATM theme is “Who is taking care of your kids?”
 PR Tool kit use needs to be monitored and success measured
- I. **Secondary School** (Paul Rupp)
 - The VATA and the VHSL are proposing a relationship in which the VATA help establish medical coverage for VHSL State championship events. This entails what the minimum appropriate medical care is and who it should be. Members of the VHSL have been invited to come to the round table discussion on Saturday to discuss any concerns and or issues the members of the VATA might have with this relationship. If you care to be part of such discussion, please attend the special interest group secondary school round table session Saturday from 5 -6 pm.
 - The NATA has stated that one of their focuses are on the Secondary School Setting. They had asked the NATA secondary school committee for a proposed budget and suggestions on how to improve employment and the job setting. The committee presented a plan a budget and the NATA has turned it down. The NATA secondary school committee would like your input on what you expect and would like to see from the NATA Secondary school committee. You can send this information to me @ prupp@fcps.edu and I will forward it on to Jennifer Rheeling, ATC.
 - The VHSL is no longer accepting the NATA membership card for admittance to state games. They are now requiring the BOC card.
- J. **Scholarship** (Terry Zablocki)
 - Jack Cramer Scholarship through NATA for high school senior

Motion to accept all committee reports: Charlotte Kelso

Second: Chris Tucker

Motion passes unanimously

III. OLD BUSINESS

State Dues Increase – nothing has happened at this time, but expected to resurface

PR Projects

One-time allocation of \$5000 in Jan 2007

March postcard campaign

Development of 2008 PR Toolkit

YPS Next one Fall 2009

VATA contributed to the Recover School District in New Orleans – one time allocation of \$500

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Outgoing John Reynolds as President, incoming Meg Thompson as President

Young Professional Symposium – 94 students attended

2009 event in Bridgewater and JMU

Establish Past-President Advisory Council

Chaired my immediate Past President (John Reynolds)

Inclusion of VATA Student senators (Erin McNett and Mary Cantu)

Represent VA's athletic training students in District Student Senate

Include in VATA EC functions (non-voting)

PR Toolkit for NATM 2008

Requesting funding for ongoing PR efforts in 2008

One time allocation of \$5000

Motion to allocate a one time \$5000 PR fund: Shane Caswell

Second: Tom Kuster

Passed unanimously

Creation of Educational Committee (Barbara Long, Bridgewater)

Identify/create additional CE opps for members

Works with President elect and Conference committee to plan annual meeting

Oversee grant program

Creation of Master's/Doctorate Research Grant

Annual Allocation of \$2000

Criteria to be determined by Educational Committee

Winners obligated to present results to future VATA annual meeting

Discussion about financial state and condition of VATA

Suggestion to concentrate on lobbying efforts for national issues (CMS, etc.)

Spend \$14,000 annually for lobbyist efforts

Discussion tabled until Educational Committee meets and establishes criteria for grants

Withdrawing the items about Creation of Master's/Doctorate Research Grant until Educational Committee is established and criteria are formed – Meg Thompson

Spring EC meeting – go through budget and balance

Clarification that \$14,000 does not go to National issues (CMS) and what NATAPAC is doing. Everyone should contribute to PAC to support their efforts to battle national issues.

Discussion about legislative efforts from VATA

Ian Rogol made a motion to donate \$500 annually to REF: Second: Scott Gravit
Motion did not pass

Announcements:

First Annual Quiz Bowl tonight 6:00 pm

Motion to adjourn: Bob Libeau
Second: Dave Pawlowski

Meeting adjourned at 12:43 pm

Respectfully submitted by
Emily Evans, VATA Secretary