



VATA

Annual Business Meeting Minutes

**Kingsmill Resort
Williamsburg, VA**

Saturday, January 9, 2016

Jay Sedory, MEd, ATC, EMT-T, Presiding

Welcome & Call to Order 11:16am, President Jay Sedory

Recognition of Committee Chairs and Region Representatives

Establishment of Quorum

- Quorum verified by Rob Hammill, Chair of Constitution & Bylaws Committee

Approval of Agenda & Minutes

- Motion to approve agenda: Scott Powers; Sara Pittelkau, 2nd.
- Motion to approve provided meeting minutes for 2016 Annual Business Meeting: Debbie Corbato; Dan Carroll, 2nd.

Elections

- Lone nominees will receive be affirmed by acclamation in lieu of a vote
- Election winners are noted in bold.
 - **President Elect**- Scott Powers – Affirm
 - **Treasurer- vacant**- Special Election may follow soon
 - **Region 1**- Beth Druvenga – Affirm
 - **Region 3**- Election- Kwadwo Donkor, **Maegan Mchalik**
 - **Region 4**- Election- Adam Mistr, **Jessica Bissinger**
 - **Region 5**- Breanne Piatt- Affirm

Officer & Committee Reports/Updates

President- Jay Sedory

- Reviewed Organization changes; Improved budget; hiring of CPA for review of taxes. Positive because we “found money” in the budget that had been previously misidentified in line items.
- GAC- 3rd party reimbursement- revenue survey
- Pleased to say the VATA offered the Membership 25 CEUs in 2015
 - Hope to see more town hall meetings & CEU opportunities for each region
- Student aide statement released
- Credential Statement on recommended abbreviations and reporting of credentials shared

- Helping members by being a resource and handling questions/concerns
- Concerns- fighting Apathy; growing new leaders in the organization.
- Encourages members to “Share your passion for the profession. “

Secretary- Beth Funkhouser

- Thanked group for allowing her to communicate with them all the time
- Encouraged everyone to open your emails and when you do, to start water cooler conversation and spread the word about the VATA activities and news.
- Be involved.

Treasurer- Ian Rogol

- Provided Year to Year comparison of budget/financials
 - Income: Net change of \$21,446 increase form 2014-2015
 - Expenditures: Net change of \$9909
 - Analyzed breakdown of major expenditures from 2014-2015
 - Biggest change came from travel expenses- \$2641 net change.
 - Mostly from funding officer representation at major professional meetings, this year it was funding of BOC Regulatory Conference travel.

Committee Chair Reports

Full reports available online. (www.vata.us)

Annual Meeting Planning Committee- Kim Pritchard, Chair

- Full report will follow meeting. Will have more information after the event.
- Reminded attendees to complete the Annual Meeting Survey
 - Thanked Jatin Ambegaonkar for his service as he leaves the committee.

Constitution & Bylaws & Credentials Taskforce- Rob Hammill, Chair

- Amendment to bylaws approved in 2015 for P&P, reviewed its progress.
- Reviewed recommendations for the reporting of credentials.
 - Document is available on the website.

Governmental Affairs Committee- Dave Pawlowski, Chair

- 296 CEP identified members were surveyed; 51 replied.
- No one reported reimbursement directly.
 - Several billing through physician
- Contacted other states who have active 3rd party reimbursement projects/ NATA pilot studies.
 - Helping to create our strategy.
- CEP roundtable 8 am tomorrow, please join us for a strategy meeting.

- **Commission on Youth**- very engaged with DOE on Return to Learn protocols.
 - Jay reported on CoY
 - Shane Caswell, John Reynolds- concussion taskforce among other stakeholders.
 - Bill had a loophole in it, no specific date for implementation, which is being corrected.
 - Gave recommendation to have an AT present at each school. Recommendation currently suggests one AT at every division.
- **Mike Puglia- Board of Medicine- AT Advisory Board update**
 - Students “working” outside of scope.
 - January 15, 2016- full statement will go into effect
 - Summer camps- discussion is not a legal ruling
 - Found in BoM newsletter
 - Dr. Su’s position replaced with Dr. Roberts
 - Citizen member still needed
 - Directed group to commonwealth.virginia.gov for nominations
 - Dave reiterated importance of having full representation on the board
 - Citizen member must be neutral with no direct affiliation to AT
- **Anna Sedory- NATA GAC Representative**
 - Deregulation of ATs is a concern
 - Expansion of PTs into sideline care- scope of practice
 - Student use as first responder- has an effect on how we are viewed by legislators and other professions.
 - Causing that to be re-examined from many perspectives.
 - Sports Medicine Clarity Act- ability to practice across state lines when travelling with your team
 - National Awards reminder
- Hit the Hill Day was hampered by snow in 2015.
 - This year will be 2/23/2016. If you can’t join us, reach out to your legislators.
- Call for members with insurance expertise and get involved in the 3rd party reimbursement project.

Honors & Awards

- Will present Awards & announcements at luncheon

Student Affairs- Dan Carroll, Co-Chair

- Primary focus in 2015- better supporting the student symposium being held in conjunction with the professional meeting & symposium.
 - 115 students registered
 - Sponsorship just for student events – thanks to FMS, ACES

Motion to accept committee reports: Sara Pittelkau; Dave Pawlowski, 2nd.

- Motion carries.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- C&B changes to align membership terminology from our constitution & bylaws with the NATA member categories
 - Reviewed NATA Member categories:
 - Professional-Certified
 - Professional- Associate
 - Certified Student
 - Non-Certified Student
 - Motion to accept amendments to the C&B to update member terminology: Sara Pittelkau; Dan Carroll, 2nd.
 - No question /Discussion
 - Motion Passes without voiced opposition

Transition of Leadership

- Jay Sedory reflected on his experience and thanked leaders.
- Introduced Matt Gage as President
 - Matt Gage & Amanda Caswell presented Jay with a thank you gift for his service.
- Matt introduced his vision for his presidency
 - Goals
 - Increase membership involvement
 - Increase number of Secondary School Athletic Trainers in Virginia
 - Promote AT through Government Affairs
 - Build & Foster relationships with other associations/entities in the commonwealth

Election Results Reported for Region 3 & 4.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn 12:12pm: Sara Pittelkau; Scott Johnson, Dan Carroll, et al 2nd.
 - Unanimous agreement.
- Meeting adjourned 12:12pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Funkhouser, Secretary

