



EC Monthly Conference Call

Thursday February 6, 2014

8:00 am EST

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

Roll Call: J Sedory, A Caswell, I Rogol, R Hammill, D Carroll, J Doctor, M Callis, S Powers, D Cobler, K Pritchard, R Schmiege, B Funkhouser

Motion to approve minutes: Amanda Caswell

Second: Scott Powers

Approved Unanimously

Announcements- Jay Sedory

- Capitol Hill Day- Let me know if someone is going. Unable to attend.
- Jorena only one with conflict at this time for monthly call, quorum is still present
- Online voting an option for voting
- Kudos to Mike Shetley for his work with PR
- Region Reps will be getting an updated email membership list in their region with current email addresses
- Contact list has been updated- Committee Chairs send in your committee roster to Beth to be added to the contact list

Kim Pritchard- Survey on annual meeting

- General wrap up. Able to offer 12.5 ceus. Over 300 attended. Have some ideas moving forward. See after action report.
- Biggest cost are food, venue & AV costs.
 - Dave working with company to find new venue for 2015. Big goal is to find a good venue for a better cost.
- Suggested going to 2 day meeting format with programming on Saturday & Sunday.
 - Membership doesn't like 3 day format tough to miss work on Friday.
 - This would also cut costs for the VATA and membership.

Ian Rogol- Financial Summary

- Brought in over \$15,000 in registration and over \$3800 in vendors.
- Food & AV costs run \$17,780

- YPS- costs \$1700
- 308 attendees. 254 paid for the conference. Still running in about 10,000 deficit
- Would shortening the conference affect room rate?
 - Conversation began regarding 2 day meeting format
 - Membership would like to be able to fulfill all CEU requirements by going to VATA & NATA annually.
- We need to look at raising the cost. At least \$10-15 increase for the meeting

YPS- Jay Sedory

- Multiple comments on strength quest and personal assessments. Good for grad/employment apps.
- 25 registered in the last 5 days.
 - Some confusion on registration. Some had trouble understanding that there were 2 separate items to register for the YPS and the Annual meeting.
 - Will look at ways to improve that in the future if the 2 are held in conjunction

Rose Schmieg- GAC Update

- HB 190 has flown through the house. Now in Senate. Please contact your senators to give support for HB 190. Names are on the update sent in.
- HB 784 - Verbage change that it would no longer be required to have Secondary School spot on AT advisory board.
 - Got language removed and it is moving forward amended to protect our advisory board.
- Concussion bills
 - (Kory) Rec leagues need to adopt local school policies or develop their own. They are moving along.
 - Kory passed 92-2 and is now onto senate.
 - Stewart's passed the senate and is on to the house.
 - Probably the 2 will merge.
- HB 1906- Delegate (Phillip Horn?) Amend policy on concussion to add on return to learn protocol. Doesn't go into specifics as to what it would be other than stakeholders need to reach a consensus of what it would be. Has made it out of the house and is in the senate. Just email list of senators on this item.
- Haven't seen any new Legislation to act on.
 - We've done really well this session with HB 190 & Concussion legislation, but it is still really important to make contact with senators/representatives.
- Hit the Hill day was successful.
 - Numbers in high 30s.

- Good awareness of who we are as athletic trainers.
- They are very interested. You can make a huge impact by meeting with your legislators outside of the General Assembly.
- Amanda asked if GAC has a plan in place for local/regional push to meet with legislators? Grass roots efforts?
 - Rose- April/May we'll try and get a push on the action plan. If you can't make it to them, have them come to you. Invite them to a game or event at your school. We need to do better to follow through with the action plan.
- Jay- thanks to Rose for all her work.
- Rose thanked Mitch for sitting through the advisory board meeting.

Ian Rogol- Projected Budget for 2014

- Projected budget- making best guess on some of the numbers.
 - Plan to do more conference calls so you'll see that number increase and decrease in officer travel.
 - Membership numbers are projected to drop.
 - Lobbyist costs. NATA reimbursement for this
 - Honors/awards/scholarships.
 - Leaves us about \$2000 to fund outside projects with such as GAC, PR.
 - if we raised our dues or registration we could bump that to around 7000 or gain more sponsors.
- Jay would like to see a "sympathy fund" line item to be able to send a condolence gift in their honor
 - Some discussion. General support was voiced for the idea.
- Increasing dues.
 - Of states of our size. 5 states have or are increasing dues this year.
 - Cost of business is going up especially with GAC. Something to discuss in the EC.
 - Ian- this is a conversation that we need to have. Maybe we talk about increasing by \$5-10. We have no project funding options currently.
 - Scott- we need to be proactive, not reactive. We need to keep some liquid fund on hand
 - Amanda- like to see some plan on hand about how an increase would help the organization.
 - Question posed: Does anybody know when the dues were last raised?
 - Amanda, looked back 10-12 years and no change. EC voted to raise it by 15-20 during John Reynolds presidency, but there was no mechanism in place with the NATA to increase state dues at that time. But we have that now.

- Jason asked about membership numbers compared to licensed ATs.
 - Jay- Emily will be encouraged for presenting project at the next meeting.
- Get long range plans for budget, especially for committees, to Ian by March 1.
 - Would like to have committee budgets specific committee budgets
 - Jay- Directed EC to go back to co-chairs and ask what projects they would want funding for 2014 and 2015.
- Next meeting have a plan on what other states are doing with dues and how to move forward

Rob Hammill- Constitution & Bylaws

- Not much has changed since we didn't have a public discussion.
 - Would like to solicit feedback from the regions by having the region reps present the info on the changes presented at the business meeting to their region members.
- Get forms for the P&P manual to Rob
- Annual Meeting Minutes- can get approval of those minutes electronically or someone designated to approve the annual meeting minutes since we only meet once in 365 days.
 - Would this be a procedural vote of the membership? Yes
 - Would this need to be a bylaw change?
 - Would have to look, probably need to be an inclusion.
 - Right now it's kind of moot since we can't work on it until next year.
- Discussion- take the amendments to your region and discuss.
- Nomination committee- President & Region Reps. 90 days for vetting.
 - Propose change to remove executive council from the language so that we can move it to the membership faster.
 - Approved

Admin Documents- Jay Sedory

- Discussed the updated project template
- Motion to accept new project template sent out with agenda: DC Cobler
 - Dan Carroll second.
 - Passed unanimously.
- Beth will post proposed changes & updated documents on the website for easier public access

Region Business:

- (R1) Danny Carroll

- No new business
- (R2) Jason Doctor
 - 3 day meeting to 2 day meeting, members want to make sure they can still get all CEUs through meetings. Obtaining EBP credit for CEUs
- (R3) Scott Powers:
 - Talking with Abbie Hansberger of SSATC. Helping her since she's in our region with project contacting high schools with no AT
- (R4) Mitch Callis:
 - Advisory board issue. That had nothing to do with the advisory board making that recommendation. We were scheduled to have an advisory board meeting tomorrow, but it has been cancelled since positions have not been filled. Several have applied but nothing has been done. Frustrated by hold ups by administration change.
- (R6) DC Cobler:
 - Need to get my membership list with emails. That is vital to my work as a rep.

Motion to Adjourn: Ian Rogol

Second: Scott Powers

Unanimously approved

Meeting adjourned 9:00 am

Respectfully Submitted,
Beth Funkhouser, Secretary