

MINUTES
NATIONAL ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
June 11, 2005
CHUCK KIMMEL, ATC, PRESIDING

ROLL CALL:

Chuck Kimmel, ATC
Jeff Stone, MEd, ATC, LAT
Joe Iezzi, MS, ATC
Charlie Rozanski, MEd, ATC
Marjorie Albohm, MS, ATC
Lynn Bott, MS, ATC
Sandy Miller, MS Ed, ATC
Matt Webber, MA, ATC
Andy Paulin, ATC
R.T. Floyd, EdD, ATC
Barrie Steele, MS, ATC

Paul Genender, Esq. *Legal Counsel*
Jim Thornton, MS, ATC *District II Director-elect*
Terry Noonan, MS, ATC *Director V Director-elect*
Eve Becker-Doyle, CAE
Teresa Foster Welch, CAE
Larry Commons
Linda Tilley
Sandy Ward
Karen Peterson
Molly Chase

CALL TO ORDER: President Kimmel called the meeting to order at 8.33 am CST. Vice-president Marje Albohm reported all present.

SUMMER/FALL CONFERENCE CALL SCHEDULE

Tuesday 26 July (if needed)	1 pm-2 pm CST
Tuesday 30 August	9 am-10 am CST
Wednesday 28 September	1 pm-2 pm CST
Thursday 27 October	9 am-10 am CST

The November date is under discussion.

DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Board members completed disclosure statements in accordance with NATA policy.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

2004-2005 audit report

External auditor Jon Wolkenstein, CPA confirmed NATA received a clean audit report. The report was prepared by certified independent public accountants in accordance with accepted U.S. auditing standards.

Executive director Eve Becker-Doyle presented the statement of activities and explained items of note.

Information technology audit

An information technology audit is performed in conjunction with the annual accounting audit. This year's I.T. audit included a favorable assessment of the successful and timely conversion of NATA's membership and accounting systems.

The audit made minor recommendations to improve internal procedures and confirmed staff is responsibly managing the I.T. environment. Eve Becker-Doyle remarked the increased scrutiny is partly attributable to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

State legislative grants funds

NATA's state legislative grant fund has been housed in the Foundation. Because of its 501c3 charitable status, the Foundation should not lobby or engage in legislative activity, and should not show money designated for these purposes on its books. This fund will be moved to NATA and tracked in the same manner as other legislative and lobbying related allocations.

**VOTED: TO APPROVE THE AUDITED FINANCIALS AS PRESENTED.
(6,7) PASSED 10-0-0**

Finance Committee chair Sandy Miller thanked staff for its fine work on the budget and financials.

Convention rotation

In response to two member letters, the Finance Committee has been charged with reviewing the current convention rotation. At its December 2007 meeting, the Finance Committee will evaluate Anaheim's attendance and financial outcomes, as well as considering other non-financial factors. The committee will recommend to the board whether or not to change the rotation pattern. In December '05, the Finance Committee will look at evaluation criteria for this purpose.

Board members wish to delay a decision on the 2013 convention site until after the 2007 Anaheim convention.

Assessment of NATA financial position

Jon Wolkenstein remarked over the years NATA has diligently worked to achieve a fine financial foundation.

DECEMBER 2005 BOARD & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Finance Committee	Thursday, December 1
Board Meeting	Friday & Saturday, December 2 & 3

Both meetings will be held at the Wyndham Anatole, Dallas, Texas.

APPROPRIATE MEDICAL CARE FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL-AGE ATHLETES COMMUNICATION

The National Federation of State High School Associations and the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine declined to sponsor NATA's AMCSSA communication. Board members reviewed a draft letter to the NFHS requesting reconsideration of the decision to withhold support for the communication. A letter to the AOSSM also is being prepared, providing detailed reasons why the AOSSM should support the communication. The letter requests permission for NATA's liaison to AOSSM, Rod Walters, to address the AOSSM board on the subject at the upcoming July meeting.

LIAISON TRAINING MEETING

For the second year, a liaison training meeting is scheduled at the annual meeting. The session will provide an update on recent legislative activity, review NATA's strategic direction, provide information and offer liaisons an opportunity for networking.

NCAA BASEBALL RULES COMMITTEE

**VOTED: TO APPROVE KY KUGLER AS FUNDED LIAISON TO THE NCAA
BASEBALL RULES COMMITTEE.
(2,5) PASSED 10-0-0**

CLOSED SESSION

The board went into closed session to discuss national legal issues.

INTERNAL MARKETING

Internal marketing director Larry Commons summarized highlights of the first half of 2005.

2005 salary survey

Valid responses were received from more than 5,400 members, a nine percent increase over the 2003 survey. Survey results were featured in the June *NATA News* and show increased pay in most work settings. Survey results are available at no cost in the members-only section of the website. For those wishing to research very specific criteria, the survey database is accessible for a nominal fee.

2005 Hall of Fame video

Inductees were filmed on location this year, enabling the inclusion of interviews with colleagues and former students. Departing from the studio setting resulted in substantial cost savings.

National Academy of Sports Medicine (NASM)

NATA's relationship with NASM continues to grow with the development and marketing of the new eVOLV platform which debuts this week.

U.S. Bone and Joint Decade

NATA's Bone and Joint Decade Task Force will meet during the convention. The task force will discuss preparations for NATA's celebration in 2007, which will include the release of a position statement on joint dislocations. NATA remains very involved with the Decade's national activities, including the Communications Committee.

Member benefits

Many members are unfamiliar with the benefits provided by their NATA membership. The April *NATA News* provided information about member benefits and a new one-page flyer will be available at the member benefits booth. The flyer will also be available on the web site.

NATA Web site activity

New web editor Daniel Lackey is keeping information current, reorganizing the website to make it easier to use and adding new graphics and streaming videos. Sites have been created for the *Journal of Athletic Training* and NATA-PAC. A focus group will be held during the convention to solicit constructive feedback from members.

E-blasts

Over 70% of members now have valid email addresses. Regular e-blasts are sent to members once a month. On occasion, special purpose e-blasts are circulated to convey urgent information to members. Email quarantine systems implemented by some institutions have caused interruptions to delivery for some members. Tips to assist members to recover quarantined email will be posted on the web site and in the *NATA News*.

Advertiser issue

Recent decisions not to allow nutrition supplement advertisements in the *Journal of Athletic Training* are consistent with NATA's policy statement on supplements.

SPECIALTY CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Specialty Certification Committee chair Ann Berry reviewed the charge and goals of the Specialty Certification Committee. She presented an overview of the content of the Occupational Health Specialty Certification, determined by the committee during its May 2005 meeting. The committee believes renaming the specialty certification 'Corporate Health Specialist' is appropriate. The name is marketable, represents the job and would avoid a potential conflict with other health care groups.

The Specialty Certification Committee's recommendations will be shared with the Education Council Executive Committee.

COLLEGIATE SPORTS MEDICINE FOUNDATION

Collegiate Sports Medicine Foundation president Brian Anderson reported on foundation projects over the last year. Anderson requested board approval to establish unfunded liaison relationships between the Collegiate Sports Medicine Foundation and three NATA committees, the College/University Athletic Trainers' Committee, the Council on Employment and the College/University Athletic Training Students' Committee.

This was acceptable to the board, assuming the committee chairs are in favor. Board liaisons to the committees will ascertain that this is so.

CUATC PREPARE PARTNERSHIP

The College/University Athletic Trainers' Committee would like to expand NATA's partnership with the National Center for Sports Safety (NCSS) to include distribution of the PREPARE course to college coaches. As part of this partnership, the group would like to include the National Collegiate Athletic Association as a supporter and the American Heart Association as provider of CPR/First Aid for the course. NATA representatives will meet with the AHA this week to discuss the possibility of making portions of the CPR/First Aid Course available on-line in the hope of attracting greater participation by coaches.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR INVOLVEMENT

Eve Becker-Doyle has been selected to serve on the American Society of Association Executives' board of directors and on the Customer Advisory Board of the Dallas Convention and Visitors' Bureau. President Kimmel remarked these are both earned positions and distinctive honors.

DISTRICT BUSINESS

District III

A task force has been set up to review District III's bylaws. The task force will be chaired by District III former director Rod Walters and includes NATA past president Kent Falb, and Foundation board member Katie Walsh.

Director Rozanski expressed concern his institution was unable to use a career center full-time advertisement credit towards a part-time position advertisement. Rozanski suggested the career center consider charging for advertisements in \$50 blocks. This could be done but would require reprogramming.

District IV

District IV director Marje Albohm officially welcomed NATA members to Indianapolis. She commended Host chair Ralph Reiff and the 2005 team of convention volunteers for their dedication and hard work.

District VI

SWATA's annual meeting will be held in Houston, July 21-24.

District VIII

Suggestions from a District VIII member were referred to the appropriate district and state committees for follow-up.

District IX

Marisa Brunett, former state president of Florida, has been elected vice-president of District IX.

2006 LOBBY DAY

President Kimmel thanked board members for their participation in the 2005 lobby day. Board involvement heightened the success of the endeavor, which included more than 170 legislative visits. A combined meeting of the Governmental Affairs Committee, Committee on Revenue and Council on Employment is planned for January or February 2006 in Washington DC and will include another lobby day. While committee budgets will cover the meetings, additional funding may be needed for travel expenses of constituents of targeted legislators.

**VOTED: TO APPROVE \$5,000 FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND TO
SUPPLEMENT THE LOBBY DAY BUDGET.
(2,4) PASSED 10-0-0**

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 2.30 pm CST.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
June 12, 2005
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ROLL CALL:

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CALL TO ORDER: President Kimmel called the meeting to order at 9.00 am CST.

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SPORTS MEDICINE

President Kimmel welcomed NASM President and CEO, Micheal Clark and Director of Clinical Education, Alan Russell.

Michael Clark spoke about the NATA eVOLV program which was developed in response to NATA's December '03 board decision to establish a co-branded website with NASM. eVOLV is a professional resource center offering unique educational opportunities exclusively to NATA members. For \$12/month or \$120/year NATA members can subscribe to eVOLV for access to discounted continuing education programs, articles, case studies, research reviews, moderated forums, e-publications, an e-loyalty program partnered by Nike and Gatorade, a business center and an extensive exercise library.

NASM proposes collaborating with NATA's Continuing Education Committee on educational content for the site.

Earlier in the meeting, it was noted NATA staff would be meeting with National Academy of Sports Medicine personnel to discuss possible career center collaboration, including the potential use of NASM's professional locator service.

FOUNDING SPONSOR JOHNSON & JOHNSON COMMENTS

President Kimmel welcomed Jack Weakley of J & J's Sports Medicine Group and expressed NATA's appreciation for Johnson & Johnson's on-going support of NATA and the profession. J & J's support is very visible with sponsorship of the general session, J & J keynote speaker Jim Morris and the J & J symposium on osteoarthritis. In addition, Johnson & Johnson's support of the career center initiatives has made it easier and more affordable for secondary school athletic trainers to find employment.

Jack Weakley asserted the J&J/ NATA relationship is very important. He announced J & J has signed a new five year sponsorship agreement with NATA at an increased level of funding.

FOUNDING SPONSOR GATORADE COMMENTS

Gatorade's senior vice president of sports marketing, Tom Fox, acknowledged the strong partnership between NATA and Gatorade. Gatorade has just completed the first year of a new five-year agreement with NATA.

President Kimmel remarked NATA is fortunate to have a relationship with Gatorade. He thanked Gatorade for its generous support of the secondary school career center initiative.

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

Canadian Athletic Therapists' Association

International Committee chair Gene Verel reported on the recent Canadian Athletic Therapists' Association meeting in Calgary. President Kimmel's attendance marked the first time an NATA president has attended a CATA meeting. Verel introduced International Committee member Bill Durney, the new NATA liaison to CATA.

As a result of recent changes to the CATA constitution, NATA members will now be eligible for CATA membership. NATA and CATA have jointly acknowledged that each other's curriculum is substantively the same. ATCs may challenge the CATA exam. CATs may challenge the BOC exam.

WORLD FEDERATION OF ATHLETIC TRAINING AND THERAPY

WFATT presidential candidate

Dr Michael Ferrara's term as WFATT president ends in November 2005. Dr Ferrara introduced International Committee member Catherine Ortega and requested a letter from the board to support her candidacy for the presidency of the World Federation of Athletic Training and Therapy.

**VOTED: TO SUPPORT CATHERINE ORTEGA AS CANDIDATE FOR THE
PRESIDENCY OF THE WORLD FEDERATION OF ATHLETIC TRAINING
AND THERAPY.
(1,2) PASSED 10-0-0**

World Congress meetings

2005 Venue: Edinburgh, Scotland
Theme: Recurrent soft tissue injury
Dates: November 10-12

2007 Venue: Tokyo, Japan
Dates: January 26-28
Theme: Musculoskeletal injuries (*in celebration of the Bone & Joint Decade*)

Global practice analysis study

Board members considered a budget request from Dr Larry Leverenz to attend the World Congress in Edinburgh, Scotland (November 10-12, 2005) as NATA's representative to the Global Role Delineation Project. A preliminary project report will be presented during the World Congress.

**VOTED: TO APPROVE \$1,935 FROM THE CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT TO FUND NATA'S REPRESENTATIVE TO ATTEND THE GLOBAL PRACTICE ANALYSIS STUDY MEETING AT THE WORLD CONGRESS, EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND, NOVEMBER 2005.
(6,5) PASSED 10-0-0**

2005/2006 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

In accordance with NATA bylaws, because President Kimmel's candidacy as president was unopposed, he will serve a second term as president from June 2006 - June 2008.

PRESENTATION TO RETIRING BOARD MEMBERS

President Kimmel presented retiring board members, District II director Joe Iezzi and District V director Lynn Bott with commemorative plaques and acknowledged their six years of hard work and outstanding service. Jim Thornton takes over as District II director. Terry Noonan is the new director for District V.

NOMINATION OF SECRETARY/TREASURER

**VOTED: TO APPROVE DISTRICT VI DIRECTOR SANDY MILLER AS SECRETARY/TREASURER AND CHAIR OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR 2005/2006.
(10,4) PASSED 10-0-0**

NOMINATION OF VICE PRESIDENT

**VOTED: TO APPROVE DISTRICT IV DIRECTOR MARJE ALBOHM AS VICE PRESIDENT FOR 2005/2006.
(10,7) PASSED 10-0-0**

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 2.30 pm CST.

MINUTES
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
June 16, 2005
CHUCK KIMMEL, ATC, PRESIDING

ROLL CALL:

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Karen Peterson

CALL TO ORDER: President Kimmel called the meeting to order at 9.05 am CST.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

The procedure for approving board minutes was revised in March 2005, requiring all board members to sign off on the minutes before they are circulated. President Kimmel reminded board members to respond in a timely fashion when minutes are circulated for approval.

HONORS & AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT

Chair Tom Abdenour acknowledged the work of staff, in particular Rachael Oats and Teresa Foster Welch, in putting together a very successful awards luncheon. He commended outgoing chairs Jane Steinberg and Ed Crowley for their stellar work on the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer and Hall of Fame subcommittees.

Committee appointments

Tom Abdenour is president-elect of the National Basketball Athletic Trainers' Association and will step down as chair of the Honors and Awards Committee in June 2006. Abdenour announced the following appointments:

Rochel Rittgers	Chair-elect, Honors and Awards
Mary Donahue	Chair, Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Subcommittee
Carolyn Greer	Chair, Hall of Fame Subcommittee

Policy document

The Honors and Awards Committee proposed a policy excluding anyone involved in the award decision making process from consideration for that award.

**VOTED: DECISION MAKERS WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS WHILE INVOLVED IN RECOMMENDING OR APPROVING AWARDS. (9,6)
PASSED 10-0-0**

Award nominations

Award nominations may be submitted by certified members, student certified members and retired certified members.

Board members discussed the first instance of a member receiving two awards in the same year. When an award nomination is considered, subcommittee members have no way of knowing whether the nominee is being considered for another award. It was suggested in future if a candidate is nominated for two awards, the candidate should decide which nomination is pursued.

Hall of Fame candidates are not eligible for other awards.

Future nomination forms will state active campaigning for an award is disallowed and could result in disqualification.

40 year award

Candidates for the 40 year award need to apply to be considered for this award. They will need to verify they meet the requirement of active service in the profession for an unbroken period of 40 years. Retired members who maintain their involvement in the profession, for example as committee members or liaisons, are still deemed to be active members of the profession.

Hall of Fame members are ineligible for the 40 year award. However, recipients of the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer award and the Athletic Training Service Award are eligible for the 40 year award.

Hall of Fame nomination form

The Hall of Fame committee discussed changing the application form. Currently, professional contributions are assessed at the state, district and national levels. Beginning with the 2006 application, the committee will assess candidates in the areas of leadership, service, scholarly achievement, honors and awards, international games participation and professionalism. The requirements for the award are unchanged; the new form will merely provide an evidence-based approach for assessing candidates. It is the committee's goal to level the playing field for all Hall of Fame candidates, regardless of work setting.

Tim Kerin Award

President Kimmel congratulated Tom Abdenour on receiving this honor.

BOARD OF CERTIFICATION

Board of Certification vice president Sara Brown reported the BOC is preparing for the launch of computer based examination delivery in March 2006. All sections of the current examination program, including the practical, will be integrated into a format that will be delivered via computer. A public awareness campaign is slated for the fall. Members will have access to sample tests.

Judy Pulice, NATA's Manager of Legislative and Regulatory Affairs, has approached the BOC about combining the regulatory conference with Lobby Day. Presently the regulatory conference is scheduled for July in Omaha. No decision has been made.

RESEARCH AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Foundation president Dr Michael Sitler thanked board members for their support of the Research and Education Foundation. Dr Sitler reported the Foundation board has had a very active year. Turnover on the board has been high but all positions are now filled. The board has recently focused on the following areas:

- Governance
 - the bylaws have been updated
- Strategic planning
 - create five year plan for financial growth
 - develop unrestricted funds
- Member development
- Planning for financial growth
- Public relations
 - MaryBeth Horodyski is the appointed chair of a new 10-person committee.
 - The committee will pursue an endowment campaign to support the scholarship, research and education programs.

Scholarship and Research Funding

In the 2004/2005 year the Foundation gave \$1.5 million in scholarships and \$1.7 million in research funding.

New scholarship

The Foundation is very pleased to have acquired the Jerry Rhea scholarship fund.

Foundation Scholarship Luncheon

Feedback on the revised luncheon format has been positive.

Evidenced-based medicine summit

A one-day summit, "Infusing Evidence-Based Medicine into Athletic Training and Clinical Practice", will be held January 13, 2006 at the Sheraton Gateway Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. The summit is sponsored by the NATA Research & Education Foundation and NATA.

GLATA STUDENT SENATE

David Bazett-Jones, chair of the GLATA student senate, thanked President Kimmel for inviting student senate representatives to address the board. Bazett-Jones gave a brief overview of the structure and purpose of the senate, and its vision for the future.

The senate comprises 12 student members, two from each state. Each may serve a maximum of two two-year terms. The senate is responsible for developing and planning the GLATA student education program. The senate offers opportunities for students to observe and experience leadership opportunities at GLATA. A student member of the senate now serves on the GLATA board of directors. Members of the student senate distributed copies of the *GLATA Student Senator Handbook and Planning Manual* to board members for use in their districts.

Bazett-Jones thanked board members for addressing an issue brought to the board by students - allowing students to receive the *Journal* for a fee.

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS UPDATE

Governmental Affairs Committee chair Keith Webster provided a summary of events for the past year.

Legislative Funding Program

The committee decided not to recommend any changes to the formula for the year. 25 states took advantage of the basic grant at the base level (just below \$2,000). Half of those applied for and received matching funds. The committee would like to increase legislative activity and encourages states to take advantage of the grants.

NATA-PAC

Webster thanked the board for increasing funds for NATA-PAC. He remarked the PAC sends a strong message to members. It is not just a resource for the CMS issue. It has the potential to affect the lives of all members.

Webster passed on special thanks to staff Eve Becker-Doyle, Teresa Foster Welch and Cate Brennan Lisak for their efforts in the Governmental Affairs arena. He remarked Judy Pulice has been a wonderful addition to the team.

EDUCATIONAL DEGREE TASK FORCE

Task force member Dr Chad Starkey presented the following recommendations:

1. Effective for the 2014-2015 academic year, athletic training education curriculum programs must confer a degree in athletic training.

Option 1

Athletic training: (without modifiers) should be listed as the degree subject area in institutional academic publications and on student official transcripts.

“Athletic training” does not have to be on the student’s diploma.

Option 2

Programs that do not meet the degree configuration described in Option 1 must meet the following three criteria.

- 1) Is the athletic training program a recognized academic major?
 - 2) Does institutional documentation clearly identify athletic training as being the focus/foundation of the academic program?
 - 3) Does the degree awarded at the end of the students’ education recognize that athletic training is a health care profession in the formal degree language?
2. A bachelor’s degree will continue to be the point of entry for this profession.
 3. More dialog needs to occur on how to achieve better communication and coordination between accredited undergraduate and advanced master’s education programs.

Based on the results of a recent survey of program directors, 60% of programs already meet these requirements without making any changes.

The board of directors will consider the EDTF final report at the December ’05 board meeting.

UNIFORM TERMINOLOGY PROJECT

Dr Starkey has been appointed to chair the Uniform Terminology Project. The project’s goal is to develop common uniform language that best describes clinical practice to convey to the public information about the athletic training profession. Project members are developing a list of areas to address. The list will be finalized in time for the December board meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

The board went into closed session to discuss national legal issues and other confidential board business.

CONVENTION PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORT

President Kimmel expressed his appreciation for the hard work and leadership of Convention Program Committee chair Dr Sandy Shultz. He commented the committee produced an outstanding quality program. Kimmel congratulated District IV for its choice of Ralph Reiff as host committee chair and passed on his sincere thanks to District IV's team of volunteers.

Dr Shultz presented the final attendance figures for the convention. She noted:

- Attendance figures are the third highest on record
- Exhibitor booths were sold out
- The new registration system functioned efficiently and registrations were processed quickly
- The presentation management system was very positively received by members and speakers

2006 annual meeting

New Orleans, Louisiana, June 27-July 1

Dr Schultz remarked she would like to see more promotion of the Foundation scholars' session, acknowledging top researchers in the association.

2007 annual meeting

Anaheim, California, June 26-30

The 2007 host committee chair will be identified and approved by November, in time to attend the February meeting of the Convention Program Committee.

Eve Becker-Doyle thanked Dr Shultz and Convention Program Committee members for their openness to suggestions and changes in meeting format.

CAREER CENTER ON SITE REPORT

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
On-site listings purchased during convention	111	48
Full-time positions	70	40
Part-time positions	41	8
Total active listings as of June 16	675	330
Secondary school listings	44	31
Expected net income (after expenses but before 22% allocations)	\$39,000	\$26,000

NATA/NASM COLLABORATION

Staff met with National Academy of Sports Medicine representatives to consider collaboration on two projects:

1. Find an ATC online
2. Career center

Further investigation is necessary and no decisions have yet been made.

Anyone clicking on the eVOLV web site career center (inactive) link will be redirected to the NATA career center.

CAREER PATHWAYS WORKSHOP

Career Assistance chair Bettina Roedig is planning a three-hour workshop for the 2006 annual meeting in conjunction with members Rich Ray, John Knaul, the CICATC, the Council on Employment and Gatorade. If the event is successful, it will be offered annually and may be repeated at the district level.

WORLD FEDERATION OF ATHLETIC TRAINING AND THERAPY FUNDING REQUEST

**VOTED: TO APPROVE FUNDING FOR TWO REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND THE EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF SPORTS MEDICINE IN OCTOBER 2005.
(3,1) PASSED 10-0-0**

WORKFORCE STUDY REPORT

In March 2005 the board approved contingency funding for a workforce market research report. The objective of the market research report was to use secondary sources to determine current and future employment and compensation conditions, and opportunities for certified athletic trainers in the physical medicine and rehabilitation health care arena.

The study attempted to assess the current and future academic requirements for certified athletic trainers in the public and private health care systems, and to review how the academic requirements fit with current and future employment market demands. Information was sought on how the current entry-level academic degree fits into the health care system.

Research material is still being reviewed and distilled. A full report will be presented to the board of directors in July or August.

ASTHMA STATEMENT PRESS CONFERENCE

NATA had an enormously successful week of public relations with local and national newspaper coverage and local television exposure. About twelve media outlets including *USA Today* attended a press conference focusing on the management of asthma in athletics.

NATA-PAC FUNDRAISERS

Convention fundraisers raised \$5,000 before the deduction of costs. The target for the current financial year is to raise \$15,000. Key to achieving this target is educating members on the importance of NATA-PAC. The NATA-PAC fundraising committee comprises Cate Brennan Lisak, Ken Rogers, Jon Almquist and Ron Courson. The committee would like to offer members the opportunity to make a donation to NATA-PAC during the dues renewal procedure.

LENGTH OF BOARD MEETINGS

Because the board is able to deal with many issues at the May board meeting, future June board meetings will be shortened by half a day. The first board meeting day will now start at noon rather than at 8.30 a.m. as in the past.

MEETING PLANNING SESSION

A panel of representatives covered a range of topics including hotel contracts, CEU administration and recording, and attracting attendees. Attendees rated the session very favorably and recommended repeating the session in 2006.

LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW

NATA bids for legal counsel services every three years. On the current schedule, a subcommittee would be appointed to review bids in December '05.

By consensus the board agreed to delay the bid process until after the CMS hearings.

MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASE

The proposed dues increase has been approved by all districts except District VI. District VI will vote on the dues increase during its annual meeting in July.

MISSION STATEMENT

The revised mission statement has been approved by all districts except District VI. District VI will vote on the revised mission statement during its annual meeting in July.

DISTRICT BUSINESS

District VI

Brian Conway, ATC will succeed Sandy Miller as District VI director in June 2006. Conway will attend the Board of Directors meeting in Dallas, December 2005.

District IX

District IX's annual meeting dates have changed to March 30-April 2, 2006.

VOTE ON CONTINGENCY REQUESTS

VOTED: TO ALLOCATE \$10,435 FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND AS FOLLOWS, LEAVING A BALANCE OF \$28,565.

▪ LOBBY DAY ALLOWANCE	\$5,000
▪ TRAVEL COSTS FOR NATA REPRESENTATIVE TO ATTEND GLOBAL PRACTICE STUDY MEETING DURING WORLD CONGRESS	\$1,935
▪ 2 REPS TO EFSM CONFERENCE OCTOBER '05	\$3,500
(6,4) PASSED 10-0-0	

BOARD BALLOT FOR JUNE 2005

All candidates were unanimously approved.

CLOSING REMARKS

President Kimmel repeated his welcome to new board members Jim Thornton and Terry Noonan. He wished them an enjoyable and productive tenure on the board.

President Kimmel and Eve Becker-Doyle both took time to thank board members, staff, legal counsel and volunteers for their commitment, hard work and dedication.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 4.50 pm CST.