

ROCKY MOUNTAIN ATHLETIC TRAINERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
SEMI-ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JUNE 18, 1999

1. Call to Order:
 - a. By: Scott Linaker
 - b. Time: 5:34 p.m. CDT
2. There was not a quorum present.
3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:
 - a. As presented in the May 1999 Newsletter
 - b. Accepted without objection
4. President's Welcome
 - a. Introduction of Board Members
5. Membership Report (see attached)
6. Finance Report (see attached)
7. Kent Falb welcomed the members. Kent praised Scott Linaker's leadership.
8. Recognition
 - a. of the NATA Hall of Fame Members
 - i. Jack Aggers
 - ii. Bob Beeten
 - iii. Jim Conboy
 - iv. Gary Delforge
 - v. Tow Diehm
 - vi. Earlene Durrant
 - vii. Dale Mildenberger
 - viii. Mike Nesbitt
 - ix. Troy Young
 - b. Chris White was recognized for the RMATA Hall of Fame exhibit.
 - c. District scholarships to be awarded at a later date. There was a duplicate award winner with the national scholarship so they are being redone.
9. Corporate sponsorship policy is being formulated.
10. Trademark of the RMATA logo is being investigated.
11. Web site
 - a. RMATA web site is up and running at rmata.org.
 - b. Wahlstrom Medical and Sports Supply is sponsoring the RMATA web site.
12. Committee Appointments
 - a. Mary Ann Erickson - Honors and Awards Chair
 - b. Michelle Poppen - Scholarship Subcommittee
 - c. Mack Rubley - Educator Recognition Subcommittee Chair
 - d. Call for members
13. Larry Willock was reappointed Treasurer for another one year term.

14. District Meetings
 - a. Colorado Springs
 - i. March 24-26, 2000
 - ii. Sheraton Colorado Springs
 - b. Tucson
 - i. 2001
 - ii. This will be the first time the RMATA will be in a convention center.
 - c. Albuquerque
 - i. 2002
15. Nominations
 - a. Nominations for all officers will be opened in the January newsletter.
 - b. Nominations will close after our March RMATA meeting.
16. Meeting adjourned
 - a. Without Objection
 - b. Time: 5:53 p.m. CDT

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 - b. Time: 6:44 p.m. CDT

NATA REPORT

1. NATA Future Annual Meetings:

June 29 - July 2, 2000	Nashville, Tennessee
June 20 - 23, 2001	Los Angeles, California
June 15 - 18, 2002	Dallas, Texas
June 25 - 28, 2003	St. Louis, Missouri
June 16 - 19, 2004	Baltimore, Maryland
June 15 - 18, 2005	Indianapolis, Indiana
June 29 - July 1, 2006	New Orleans, Louisiana

2. Honors and Awards:

Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer:

Benjamin Perry Davidson, ATC

25 Year Award:

C. David Burton, ATC Mickey L. Clarizio, ATC

James Gillen, ATC William Kuehl, ATC

Douglas Landuyt, ATC Mark Morrissey, ATC

Journal of Athletic Training Clint Thompson Award for Outstanding Nonresearch Manuscript, Second Runner-Up:

Kenneth L. Knight, PhD, ATC and Christopher D. Ingersoll, PhD, ATC

Scholarships:

Scott Horton
University of Arizona
Sponsor: National Basketball Trainers'
Association/Gatorade

Ayako Habu
Arizona State University
Sponsor: F. A. Davis Company

Jaclyn Adams
University of Northern Colorado
Sponsor: Gatorade/NATA

Larry "Stosh" Neumann Memorial Scholarship
Nathan Johnson
Northern Arizona University
Sponsor: Professional Football Athletic Trainers'
Society/Gatorade

Larry Ashley Memorial Scholarship
Lisa Williams
Northern Arizona University
Sponsor: Professional Hockey Athletic
Trainers' Society

Warren Lee Memorial Scholarship
Michael Anderson
Brigham Young University
Sponsor: Rocky Mountain Athletic Trainers' Association/
NATA District 7

G. E. "Moose" Detty Scholarship
Rita Kujawa
New Mexico State University
Sponsor: PRO Orthopedic Devices, Inc.

Janet Bristor Memorial Scholarship
Alison Miller
Brigham Young University
Sponsor: Friends of Janet Bristor

3. Education Council:

Athletic Training Educational Competencies are in the process of being copyrighted and will be sold in hard copy for \$25. Once copyrighted the *Competencies* can not be photocopied. *Competencies* need to be protected.

4. Ethnic Minority Advisory Council:

The Ethnic Minority Advisory Council has changed to the Ethnic Diversity Advisory Council.

5. Reimbursement Advisory Group:

Focus on Therapeutic Outcomes, Inc. (FOTO) conducted a study assessing athletic trainers as health care providers. Specifically they quantified the outcome (patient health related quality of life change, patient satisfaction, efficiency and treatment selection) of ATC's and compared to outcomes of other clinicians. This information is already peer-reviewed and shows ATC's to be as capable providers as physical therapists.

Certified Athletic Trainers could use this information in salary negotiations to validate their presence in the clinic. The information will be disseminated internally in the *NATA NEWS*, on the NATA web site and in the *Convention Daily*. Research Committee Chair, Chris Ingersoll has specified the internal release should detail the data's geographic limitations by indicating which regions of the country are and are not represented by the data. This is important because NATA should be able to stand behind the integrity of the data we released.

Based on data analyses conducted by FOTO, Inc. (Focus on Therapeutic Outcomes) an independent outcomes company, certified athletic trainers provide the same level of outcomes, value and patient satisfaction as physical therapists in a clinical setting in the Middle Atlantic, Mountain, North Central and South Atlantic geographic regions. New England, South Central and Pacific regions were not represented in the analyses. FOTO is known nationally for providing outcomes research services to the physical therapy profession, as well as other allied health professionals.

6. 2000 Pre-Olympic Congress:

The NATA has been invited to send a representative to be a keynote speaker at the Pre-Olympic Congress in Brisbane, Australia in September 2000. This will put NATA's name out in the international health care arena. The representative might be the next NATA president. The Board will approve the speaker.

The 2000 Pre-Olympic Congress is an international scientific meeting on Sports Science, Sports Medicine and Physical Education, to be held in Brisbane, Australia.

7. NATA Mission Statement and definitions:

Physical Activity (preferred usage)

Physical activity consists of athletic, recreational or occupational activities that require physical skills and utilize strength, power, endurance, speed, flexibility, range of motion or agility.

Physically Active

Physically active individuals engage in athletic, recreational or occupational activities that require physical skills and utilize strength, power, endurance, speed, flexibility, range of motion or agility.

The mission of the National Athletic Trainers' Association is to enhance the quality of health care for athletes and those engaged in physical activity, and to advance the profession of athletic training through education and research in the prevention, evaluation, management and rehabilitation of injuries.

8. Political Action Grant:

The Rocky Mountain Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA District 7) will receive \$25,000 to be distributed to each state Association in allotments of \$5,000. This grant may only be used for licensure or third party reimbursement activities.

9. Finances:

NATA continues to be in a strong financial position.

10. Dues Increase:

The Finance Committee will consider a dues increase at its meeting in December 1999. If an increase is decided upon, it will be sent to each district for approval during the 2000 district meeting. The Board will vote in the summer of 2000.

11. Council on Employment:

The Job Development Task Force has been disbanded and the Council on Employment has been created. The COE will investigate and monitor current employment issues related to certified athletic trainers. A strategic planning session will be held in conjunction with the 2000 mid-year board meeting. Participants in the strategic planning session will include: board of directors; chair or his/her designate of the practice setting committees; chair or his/her designate of public relations committee, placement committee, women in athletic training committee, reimbursement advisory group, governmental affairs, education council and ethnic diversity advisory council.

12. NATA NEWS Covers:

The 1997 redesign of the *NATA NEWS* called for new cover photo guidelines. Cover photos now match the cover story, which is chosen a year in advance, and do not always show an athletic trainer. The March, June and September issues are devoted to the convention and usually have covers with city or annual meeting photos. Photo submissions are always needed and welcomed. If any member has good quality, vertical photographs of athletic trainers, consider submitting them for possible cover shots.

13. NATA Officers:

Cynthia Booth, District IV Director, has been appointed without objection as the Secretary/Treasurer for 1999-2000. District VIII Director, Tony Marek, has been elected Vice President for 1999-2000.

14. NATA Board of Certification:

The NATABOC will vote in July on the following proposed changes:

1. Raising the approved provider fee to \$120 per year.
2. Moving CEU maintenance to the Omaha office.
3. Separating the certification exam into a two day event, with the written/written simulation exam on Saturday and the practical exam on Sunday.

15. Public Relations:

Committee activities include:

1. "ATC Recognition Day" being proposed to athletic directors.
2. A 20-slide show which explains who ATC's are and what they do, which can be used for presentations to school boards, parent groups, etc..
3. A PR contest.
4. A PR representative making a presentation next year at the National Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association convention.
5. "Call Me ATC" is the theme of this year's PR campaign. Members are encourage to refer to themselves as ATC, as well as to get others to use the term, when referring to certified athletic trainers. This might help us get away from the abbreviated term of "trainer" and help with our public image and promote our credential. Members are also encouraged to wear the ATC logo on their apparel for maximum visibility.
6. A member PR kit and press kit are available for membership use.
7. PSA's and new NATA video.

16. NATA Presidential Candidates:

After reviewing biographical information and hearing brief presentations from four Presidential Candidates, the Board of Directors voted by secret ballot to select two individuals to run for President. The results were totaled and Dave Colt and Julie Max will run for NATA President. The election will occur in August with results known in September. The President Elect will take office at the Annual Meeting in June 2000.

17. Research and Education Foundation:

Members are encouraged to make donations to the Foundation to support research, education and scholarships. Members may earmark donations for student scholarship awards, if they prefer.