

NATIONAL ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
Board of Directors Web Conference Meeting Minutes
11:00 a.m. Central Time
November 24, 2025

Board

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Incoming Directors

Lorna Strong, EdD, LAT, ATC
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Guests

Lynne Young, Med, LAT, ATC, BOC Liaison
Gary Hanna, MS, LAT, ATC, CAATE Liaison
MaryBeth Horodyski, EdD, LAT, ATC, President, NATA Foundation-absent
Jen Sturtevant, MBA, LAT, ATC, Chair, DEIA Council
Kara Werner-Sanders, MA, LAT, ATC, Chair, ICSM

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CALL TO ORDER

President Duffy called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m. Eleven of the eleven voting members were present. The requirements for a quorum were met.

OPENING REMARKS

President Duffy welcomed the Board, representatives of the AT Strategic Alliance and guests to the call.

PRIDE POINTS

President Duffy opened the floor for the board and guests to share their recent highlights.

AT STRATEGIC ALLIANCE PARTNER UPDATES

Strategic Alliance Partners submitted a written report, which was provided in the Dropbox ahead of the meeting, allowing for questions to be answered.

INTERCOLLEGIATE COUNCIL FOR SPORTS MEDICINE (ICSM) LETTER TO DIVISION II ATHLETIC DIRECTORS AND CONFERENCE COMMISSIONERS

Director McKune presented a draft letter from the ICSM to administrators and conference commissioners regarding Division II athletic training program changes. The letter aims to facilitate open discussions between administrators and commissioners before voting on the proposed changes.

Kara Werner-Sanders, chair, explained that legislation regarding pre-season acclimatization days did not align with research and best practices, and she and Director McKune worked with the NC2A Division II group to draft a letter highlighting this discrepancy and staffing implications. The letter was approved for distribution to NCAA D2 athletic directors and conference commissioners.

President Duffy inquired about potential changes to the collegiate hockey calendar.

Werner-Sanders replied that while there are ongoing discussions, there is currently limited support for a European-style schedule due to academic and staffing concerns

VOTED: TO APPROVE THE LETTER FOR DISTRIBUTION TO NCAA DIVISION II ATHLETIC DIRECTORS AND CONFERENCE COMMISSIONERS AS PRESENTED.
(5,4) PASSED (11-0-0)

PRESIDENT REPORT

President Duffy updated the board on his and Pillman's meeting with the presidents of the Professional Athletic Trainers' Societies. He also noted that the Presidential Election Oversight Task Force is creating a FAQ for directors to share with their districts regarding the presidential election.

CONSENT AGENDA

Appropriate information on the following items were provided to the Board through background materials, e-ballots or previous discussions. With no objections raised, the consent agenda was approved. It included:

- APPROVE OCTOBER 2025 BOARD MEETING MINUTES (ALL)
- APPROVE FELIX HOLMAN (D9) AS STUDENT LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIR EFFECTIVE JUNE 2026.
- APPROVE DANIELLE YORK (D8) AS COPA REHABILITATION/CLINIC PANEL MEMBER EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.
- APPROVE KYLE SOUTHALL (D9) AS INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2026.
- APPROVE LUKE PARTUSCH (D5) AS COPA REHABILITATION/CLINIC PANEL MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2026.
- APPROVE DEREK PORT (D9) AS ICSM NAIA PANEL CHAIR EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.
- APPROVE KRISTEN BROWN (D2) AS ICSM NCAA DI AT-LARGE MEMBER EFFECTIVELY IMMEDIATELY.
- APPROVE MELANEE JOHNSON (D2) AS ICSM CONFERENCE USA MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2026.

(3,1) PASSED (11-0-0)

ADJOURNMENT

Following a closed session and executive session, President Duffy adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Submitted by:


Scott Gallaway, Secretary/Treasurer
NATA Board of Directors