

**NATIONAL ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**Board of Directors Web Conference Meeting Minutes**  
**10:00 a.m. Central Time**  
**August 15, 2022**

Board

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David Saddler  
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LaNell Armour  
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Incoming District Directors

Vicky Graham, DAT, LAT, ATC  
Scott Lawrence, DHSc, LAT, ATC, MSPT, CSCS  
Valerie Herzog, EdD, LAT, ATC  
  
Cindy Clivio, MEd, ATC

Guests

Sharon Robson, Chief Staff Officer, BOC  
Gary Hanna, Liaison, CAATE  
Ken Cameron, PhD, MPH, ATC, CSCS, President-elect, NATA  
Foundation  
Darryl Conway, MA, LAT, ATC, Chair, EDAC

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**CALL TO ORDER**

President Dieringer called the meeting to order at 10.01 a.m. Ten of the eleven voting members were present. The requirements for a quorum were met.

**OPENING REMARKS**

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

**PRIDE POINTS**

President Dieringer opened the floor for the Board and guests to share their recent highlights.

**AT STRATEGIC ALLIANCE PARTNER UPDATES**

**BOC**

BOC Chief Staff Officer Sharon Robson reported that the "Cert Update" publication is going digital in 2023. Subscribers who opted for the printed version will continue to receive the printed version through the rest of the year. She said by eliminating printing deadlines, the BOC will be able to provide more up-to-date information.

### CAATE

CAATE Liaison Gary Hanna reported that Athletic Training Centralized Application System (ATCAS) student application cycle closed on June 30th with 1,441 applicants submitting 3,214 applications. He then announced that CAATE has a new website that went live in July.

### NATA Foundation

NATA Foundation President Cameron reported that research grant pre-applications window is open through September 1st. There's an open call for research awards from September 1st through October 1st. He said the Education Resource Committee released a research to clinical practice memo focused on exertional heat illness; the memo can be located on the Foundation website. Lastly, there will be an open call for vacant board seats from September 6th through October 6th.

### PREVENTING EXTERNAL HEAT STROKE IN LINEMEN CONSENSUS STATEMENT ENDORSEMENT

President Dieringer presented the Preventing External Heat Stroke in Linemen Consensus Statement for board endorsement. She reported this is an inter-association project brought to NATA by Korey Stringer Institute (KSI) that involves physician partner groups as well as National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS).

Director Hildenbrand suggested changing the word "dead" in Line 208 to "deceased".

Saddler pointed out that NATA can provide the authors with suggested edits, but it is not guaranteed to be approved. He then asked the Board if they are willing to approve the statement even if the suggested change is not made.

The Board was in agreement to approve the statement without the proposed edit.

**VOTED: TO ENDORSE THE PREVENTING EXTERNAL HEAT STROKE IN LINEMEN CONSENSUS STATEMENT AS PRESENTED.  
(1,4) PASSED (10-0-0) (ABSENT: DISTRICT 3)**

### UPDATED FUNDING REQUEST FORM

Treasurer Sartanowicz reported that the Finance Committee decided to change the name of the Funding Request Form to Overage Allocation Form. The reason behind the change is to better reflect what the form is used for – items that fall outside the current budget. She reminded the Board that all requests are due by the 1st of the month and asked them to remind their committee chairs to fill out the form in its entirety.

*Director Davis joined the meeting.*

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Dieringer provided an update on the projects she has been working on since the last meeting.

### UPDATES/INFORMATION

#### Government Affairs

Amy Callender, department director, reported that Florida now allows athletic trainers to dry needle. This was accomplished through Florida's state rules and regulations and did not require a legislative fix. Vermont and Wisconsin have reached out to discuss hosting legislative boot camps for their states. She said she hopes to do a boot camp for New Jersey in conjunction with Vermont. Callender thanked Director Hildenbrand for advocating for boot camps for all of her states in District 10. She reported that the South Carolina Athletic Trainers' Association (SCATA) is interviewing for a new lobbyist and that staff has been invited to participate in the interviews. The Government Affairs Committee (GAC) will host a quarterly webinar series starting in the upcoming months. She said she recently attended the National Alliance for Nutrition and Activity quarterly meeting and is attending her first National Tribal Health Equity Summit tomorrow. The Student Athlete Bill of Rights has been introduced in the Senate. The bills focuses on collegiate athletes. She said NATA advocated for a health and safety component, which is included, however, the verbiage is not great and has requested a technical change to include "athletic trainer" in the bill. She then provided updates on the upcoming NATAPAC Sweepstakes, Third Party Reimbursement Initiative and the Government Affairs' strategy progression.

### MARCOM

LaNell Armour, department director, provided an update on MARCOM's activities during convention. She shared highlights from the Championing Title IX and Women in Health Care, AT Spotlight series – 5 Settings in 5 Hours, Fun & Games with Advocacy and CompensATion ConversATion. She announced a new NATA Podcast series, NATACast, which will be launched later this month. She then provided updates on AT Your Own Risk and NATA News and reviewed MARCOM's goals.

### Knowledge Initiatives

Anita James, department director, reported that the on-demand portion of convention has been launched and will run through October 31st. She announced plans to debrief on the 2022 convention and discuss plans for digital components moving forward. She said the NATA Cannabinoid Task Force plans to do an open call for additional members through the Range of Motion; they are seeking two representatives from the Secondary School setting, one representative from the Collegiate/University setting, one from Health Care Administration/Occupational Health setting and one student. Lastly, she reported that the NATA Journal Impact Score jumped from 2.86 in 2020 to 3.82 in 2021.

### 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 JUNE 2022 BOARD MEETING MINUTES (ALL)**
- **APPROVE KIM DETWILER, MS, LAT, ATC, (D7), AS THE CHAIR FOR THE SPECIALITY AWARDS COMMITTEE BEGINNING IN JUNE 2023.**
- **APPROVE BOB CASMUS, AS THE CHAIR FOR THE SERVICE AWARD COMMITTEE BEGINNING IN JUNE 2023.**
- **APPROVE WILLIAM "BJ" MAACK, LAT, ATC, (D6), AS THE CHAIR FOR THE GOVERNEMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE BEGINNING IN JUNE 2023.**
- **APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF MEGAN MCKAY (D7) AS THE CANADIAN ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION (CATA) LIASION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE LIASIONS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UNTIL JUNE 2024.**  
**(5,2) PASSED (11-0-0)**

### ADJOURNMENT

Following a closed session, President Dieringer adjourned the meeting at 12:11 p.m.

*Diane Sartanowicz MS, LAT, ATC*

Submitted by:

Diane Sartanowicz, Secretary/Treasurer  
NATA Board of Directors