

**NATIONAL ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**Baltimore, Maryland**  
**June 21, 2016**

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Guests

Micki Cuppett, EdD, ATC, Executive Director, CAATE  
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Susan McGowen, PhD, ATC, EMT, President, BOC  
Denise Fandel, MBA, CAE, AT Ret., Executive Director, BOC

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**CALL TO ORDER**

President Sailor called the meeting to order at 8:21 a.m. Ten of the ten voting members were present. The requirements for a quorum were met.

**OPENING REMARKS**

President Sailor welcomed the board members and guests to Baltimore for the convention and to the meeting. He reported that Rachael Oats, CAE, was attending a meeting at the NFL headquarters. Among the topics was an effort from the National Football League (NFL) to improve gender equality in the NFL's health care teams. The NFL has requested representatives from NATA, in conjunction with the Professional Football Athletic Trainers' Society (PFATS), to participate in a future meeting with the team owners.

**ANTITRUST GUIDELINES**

David Saddler referenced the antitrust statement provided to the Board of Directors prior to the meeting.

**VOTED: TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE GUIDELINES IN THE NATA ANTITRUST STATEMENT.  
(5, 8) PASSED 10-0-0**

Kandy Cefoldo collected the board members' signed conflict of interest statements.

**CONTINGENCY AND DISCRETIONARY FUND REQUESTS**

Saddler noted that all financial requests on the agenda have been evaluated by the Finance Committee. He reviewed the procedure for addressing new financial requests that arise during the meeting.

**ORLANDO, FL, SHOOTING**

Treasurer Dieringer presented a request to recognize the victims of the Orlando, FL shooting during the convention. The board approved the request by consensus.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Investment Performance and Policy**

Treasurer Dieringer welcomed Len Mitchell, CFA, Meritage Portfolio Management, and Neely Duncan, CPA, CFE, FCPA, Lane Gorman Trubitt, PLLC. Mitchell thanked the board for the chance to present. He reviewed the performance of NATA's portfolio over the last five years; Meritage's perspective and decision factors; and current environmental trends impacting investment strategy. He recommended a shift in strategy to decrease the target stock allocation, noting the new target still adheres to NATA's investment policy. Treasurer Dieringer also noted NATA's portfolio had experienced some realized losses. The board discussed this and agreed to monitor the issue for possible future action. The board thanked Mitchell for his work.

**VOTED: TO APPROVE THE INVESTMENT STRATEGY CHANGE PROPOSED BY LEN MITCHELL.  
(2, 1) PASSED 10-0-0**

**2016 Audit Report**

Duncan asked the board members if they were aware of any substantial changes since April 1, and the board stated there were none. Duncan reviewed the 2016 audit report and noted a clean audit. She commended NATA's management in addressing concerns from previous years. Duncan stated that NATA continues to perform over budget in revenue and under budget in expenses. She noted NATA has a good budgeting process. Treasurer Dieringer noted this is the best audit NATA has ever had and congratulated the board and staff. Saddler thanked Duncan and her team for their work, and commended Kathy Crelly and accounting staff.

**VOTED: TO APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2016 AUDIT REPORT.  
(8, 1) PASSED 10-0-0**

### Financial Message

Treasurer Dieringer read the proposed finance update for the General Session and asked for its approval, noting she and Saddler made minor edits to the version reviewed by the Finance Committee.

*I am pleased to report that NATA just completed its annual external audit and continues to be in a strong financial position.*

*The diligent and conservative approach to spending by our board and staff resulted in performance that exceeded our budget. This allowed us to continue to fund some major initiatives aligned with the strategic plan approved by the NATA Board of Directors at last year's convention, which includes Advocacy, Engagement and Development.*

*Funding all of these high impact projects was accomplished within the fiscal year 10 million dollar operating budget, although we did show a small net loss for the year after figuring in investment performance. Overall our investment portfolio balance decreased 4% this fiscal year as a result of the market volatility we all experienced. Despite this investment performance, the NATA continues to be financially sound, and able to support the profession with the various projects that you are seeing on the screens.*

*We are looking forward to exciting opportunities on the horizon. Look for additional financial information in the August issue of the NATA News.*

**VOTED: TO APPROVE THE FINANCE REPORT FOR THE GENERAL SESSION.  
(4, 9) PASSED 10-0-0**

### March 2016 Financial Performance

Treasurer Dieringer reviewed the March and April 2016 financial statements. She noted the March statements show a small loss because new strategic initiatives were funded.

### Korey Stringer Institute (KSI) Proposals: NATA Benchmark Study: Athletic Director Perceptions on ATs and Safety Standards in the Secondary School Setting and Parent Perceptions of ATs and Safety Standards in the Secondary School Setting

Saddler presented two proposals resulting from NATA's partnership with the Korey Stringer Institute (KSI). The proposals are to meet with athletes' parents and athletic directors in conjunction with the 2016 NFHS and National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators' Association (NIAAA) National Athletic Directors Conference and Exhibit Show, to support NATA's external marketing campaign. He noted Oats and Douglas Casa, PhD, ATC, FNATA, are working on a more comprehensive plan to include these projects in future budgets instead of requiring board and finance approval midyear for new initiatives.

The board requested that a mechanism be developed for anticipating and measuring outcomes and deliverables for these strategic initiatives.

**VOTED: PER THE FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REVIEW, USING FISCAL YEAR SAVINGS OR BOARD DESIGNATED FUNDS, TO APPROVE UP TO \$13,325 TO HOST MEETINGS WITH ATHLETES' PARENTS (\$5,620) AND ATHLETIC DIRECTORS (\$7,705) IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 2016 NATIONAL FEDERATION OF STATE HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS (NFHS) AND NATIONAL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATORS' ASSOCIATION (NIAAA) NATIONAL ATHLETIC DIRECTORS' CONFERENCE AND EXHIBIT SHOW.  
(6, 2) PASSED 10-0-0**

### THIRD PARTY REIMBURSEMENT PILOT PROJECT

Clark Simpson, MBA, ATC, LAT, reviewed background of the Third Party Reimbursement Pilot Project, the teams in each state, the progress so far and preliminary key findings. He discussed next steps, including coordinating increased advocacy efforts with payors, creating educational resources, continuing governmental affairs efforts and increasing NPI attainment. He noted the project was under budget in the first stage and that a request would come to the board later to reallocate some of the remaining funds to begin developing specific strategies for other states and training leaders in those states. The board requested more details on how the other states would be selected and what the training would include.

### **FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY UPDATE**

President Sailor welcomed Amy Callender and representatives of Drinker, Biddle and Reath (DBR) and commended the organization's work for NATA. Jim Twaddell, DBR Senior Vice President of District Policy Group, reviewed NATA's legislative priorities and the bills currently being promoted. Callender shared the latest updates on the Sports Medicine Licensure Clarity Act (SMLCA), including new language drafted by the House Energy and Commerce Committee. Staff anticipates the bill going into a full committee hearing this week. Callender also noted Capitol Hill Day will include more than 400 participants representing 48 states. President Sailor expressed his appreciation for the incredible amount of hard work by staff and volunteers on this effort.

Kara Gainer, DBR Senior Research and Policy Analyst, reviewed regulatory efforts, including conversations with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the American Public Health Association (APHA) and the National Caucus on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Health Disparities. Current areas of focus are the National Institutes of Health (NIH) National Pain Strategy, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) kinesiotape issue, the CMS physician schedule and the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) update.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

The board went into closed session at 12:15 p.m. and was called to order again at 2:35 p.m.

### **ACADEMY OF SPORTS DENTISTRY (ASD)**

President Sailor welcomed Jim Lovelace, DDS, Academy for Sports Dentistry (ASD) President and Robert Ogar, ATC, liaison to ASD. Lovelace thanked NATA for the positive relationship between the two organizations, noting ASD appreciated the opportunity to have a booth and presentation at NATA's meeting and to hold its convention at the same time.

### **NATIONAL PROVIDER IDENTIFIER (NPI) NUMBERS**

Treasurer Dieringer presented results of the various efforts to increase NPI attainment among ATs. Currently 47% of NATA's members have an NPI, but the number has leveled off recently. She requested the board revisit the idea of mandating an NPI when joining NATA or renewing membership. The board expressed support if the BOC also enacts a similar NPI requirement. Denise Fandel noted a mandate by the Board of Certification (BOC) could not come into effect until the end of the December 2019 certification cycle. Staff will plan an educational effort to increase the number of members with NPI for the next two years.

**VOTED: TO REQUIRE ALL NATA MEMBERS TO HAVE NATIONAL PROVIDER IDENTIFIER (NPI) NUMBERS  
CONTINGENT ON APPROVAL FROM THE BOARD OF CERTIFICATION (BOC) TO REQUIRE THE SAME OF  
CERTIFIED ATs.  
(6, 9) PASSED 10-0-0**

### **INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE (IC)**

International Committee (IC) Chair Mark Gibson, MS, PT, ATC, shared an update from the committee and presented a request to support the committee's campaign to advance the brand of the association globally through an International Speaker Grant Program to enable NATA members to speak at international conferences. The committee anticipates funding 8-10 speakers annually at a cost of \$3,000-\$5,000 each. The goal is to develop the project this year in order to have speakers approved for international conferences in 2017. The funding proposal will be brought to the finance committee and board at a later date.

**VOTED: TO SUPPORT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE'S (IC) PLAN TO DEVELOP THE INTERNATIONAL SPEAKER  
GRANT PROGRAM.  
(3, 2) PASSED 10-0-0**

Gibson invited the board to the IC's session on the emerging AT profession in China.

**NATIONAL ATHLETIC TREATMENT, INJURY AND OUTCOMES NETWORK (NATION)**

Thomas Dompier, PhD, ATC, thanked the board for its continued support of the National Athletic Treatment, Injury and Outcomes Network (NATION) study and expressed excitement that the project will be able to continue. He reported on the project's finances and fundraising efforts and shared an update on participation, published data and key findings.

**WORLD FEDERATION OF ATHLETIC TRAINING AND THERAPY (WFATT)**

The board welcomed Larry Leverenz, PhD, ATC, to give a report from the World Federation of Athletic Training and Therapy (WFATT). Leverenz introduced Glen Bergeron, PhD, CAT(C), the new chair of the Canadian Athletic Therapists' Association (CATA) International Committee and the WFATT vice president representing CATA. Leverenz reviewed WFATT's final strategic plan. He provided updates on the development of athletic training in the United Arab Emirates, Spain and China; the International Olympic Committee (IOC) 2017 Prevention of Injury and Illness Conference; and the 2017 World Congress. He also stated WFATT is reviewing its bylaws and working to develop a sustainable funding model.

**GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (GAC)**

Jeff McKibbin, MEd, ATC, LAT, presented an update on the activities of the Governmental Affairs Committee (GAC), including information developed for state leaders about hiring lobbyists. He informed the board of current state practice act threats and opportunities. Director Coberley commended the GAC's stewardship of the state grant program.

**KOREY STRINGER INSTITUTE (KSI) SECONDARY SCHOOL INSURANCE PROJECT**

Rob Huggins, PhD, ATC, Korey Stringer Institute (KSI) Vice President of Research, reported on the KSI Secondary School Insurance Project. He reviewed the goals of the project, the information being gathered and possible uses of the data. Huggins reviewed insights from a meeting with different insurance companies at the NFL headquarters, which provided an opportunity to discuss how ATs can reduce premiums and injury claims. Yuri Hosokawa, MAT, ATC, KSI Director of Communication and Education, provided an analysis of the data so far. She noted a possible session at the 2017 convention on minimizing cost and maximizing safety in secondary schools from an insurance perspective.

**BOARD OF CERTIFICATION (BOC)**

Susan McGowen stated this is her last NATA meeting as BOC President. She commended the strategic alliance for the progress it has made over the past few years and thanked Denise Fandel for her work for the BOC and the profession.

**AT YOUR OWN RISK (AYOR)**

Saddler showed the board a video on the At Your Own Risk (AYOR) campaign that will be shown at the General Session to announce the program. He stated more information is in Dropbox.

**2017 SECRETARY/TREASURER**

President Sailor presented Director Weston as his choice for 2017 Secretary/Treasurer and Finance Committee chair. It was noted that Director Hall (D6) and Director Brunett (D9) would vote by proxy for the current directors, since their terms did not officially end until the general session meeting later in the week.

**VOTED: TO APPROVE PRESIDENT SAILOR'S SELECTION OF DIRECTOR WESTON AS 2017 SECRETARY/TREASURER.  
(2, 8) PASSED 9-0-1 (1 ABSTAIN)**

**2017 VICE PRESIDENT**

President Sailor asked for nominations for vice president. Directors Aronson, Lindley, Peters and Wood were nominated. Director Lindley was elected through a secret ballot.

**CHANGING OF THE GUARD**

President Sailor presented recognition plaques to Treasurer Dieringer and Vice President Horodyski and thanked them for their service and accomplishments. He officially welcomed Directors Hall and Brunett and encouraged them to participate actively and thoughtfully.

**FACE TIME 2016**

President Sailor noted the agenda for Face Time 2016 would include only audience questions and no prepared presentations.

**ADJOURN**

After appropriate thank yous, the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

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Guests

R. T. Floyd, EdD, ATC, CSCS, President, NATA Foundation  
LesLee Taylor, PhD, ATC, LAT, President-elect, CAATE  
Micki Cuppett, EdD, ATC, Executive Director, CAATE  
Denise Fandel, MBA, CAE, AT Ret., Executive Director, BOC

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Sailor called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m. Ten of the ten voting members were present. The requirements for a quorum were met.

**OPENING REMARKS**

President Sailor reported on the visit he, Executive Director Saddler and Vice President Lindley made to the Academy of Sports Dentistry (ASD) Executive Board. ASD commented it was a great convention and its members enjoyed the co-location with NATA. President Sailor welcomed the newly seated board members.

**ANTITRUST GUIDELINES**

David Saddler referenced the antitrust statement provided to the Board of Directors prior to the meeting.

**VOTED: TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE GUIDELINES IN THE NATA ANTITRUST STATEMENT.  
(4, 2) PASSED 10-0-0**

**JOHNSON & JOHNSON**

President Sailor thanked Jack Weakley and Johnson & Johnson for their strong support and stated J&J Day was amazing, particularly the keynote speaker, Scott Hamilton. He acknowledged Weakley's work to make the NATA Foundation's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration a success.

Weakley said he thought J&J Day was a great success, and highlighted the keynote and the feature presentation. He encouraged board members to upload photos to the J&J Donate a Photo challenge app to raise money for the NATA Foundation. He stressed that J&J is pleased with the continued progress in its relationship with NATA.

**GATORADE**

Molly Matson and Jennifer Schmit from Gatorade expressed their pleasure to meet with the board this year. Gatorade is looking to build programs and expand its commitments with NATA in the coming year. President Sailor shared information on Gatorade's G-week program for high schools. This program allows athletes and parents to see ATs as the source of information for sports nutrition and athlete health care.

### **SECONDARY SCHOOL ATHLETIC TRAINERS' COMMITTEE (SSATC)**

#### **Emergency Action Plan (EAP) Guidelines: Mental Health Emergency in Secondary School Athletes**

Larry Cooper, MS, ATC, LAT, SSATC Chair, and Bart Peterson, MSS, ATC, incoming SSATC Chair, reviewed the proposed guidelines. The board requested the committee speak with the College/University Athletic Trainers' Committee (CUATC) and use language similar to the CUATC document to describe the patient athlete in this version. Following further discussion, the board agreed by consensus to accept the document with the recommended change.

#### **Guidelines for Developing a Team Physician Services Agreement in the Secondary School**

Cooper and Peterson presented the agreement and stated it was reviewed by legal counsel. The board suggested several changes to the document. The team physician's medical performance should be evaluated by another physician rather than by an administrator. The administrator would evaluate the physician on administrative duties only. Director Coberley emphasized this is a sample agreement and would need to be adjusted to meet individual state regulations. The board approved by consensus to the document with its suggested changes.

President Sailor thanked Cooper for his leadership of the SSATC and his professional representation of NATA.

### **PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY WORKGROUP (PRWG)**

Gretchen Schlabach, PhD, ATC, Professional Responsibility Workgroup (PRWG) chair, presented a proposal to transition the workgroup to a standing committee. The mission would be to support legal, ethical and regulatory (LER) standards of the AT Strategic Alliance. The committee would meet during Joint Committee Meeting (JCM) in January 2017 and have four conference calls before meeting at convention in June 2017. The board requested representatives from the GAC and the Federal Legislative Council (FLC) be added to the proposed roster.

**VOTED: TO ESTABLISH THE DISTRICT-BASED PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY COMMITTEE WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (GAC) AND THE FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL (FLC). FUNDING UP TO \$23,000 WILL BE PROVIDED FROM FISCAL YEAR SAVINGS OR BOARD DESIGNATED FUNDS TO ENABLE THE COMMITTEE TO MEET AT THE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING AND OPERATE UNTIL THE NEXT BUDGET CYCLE.  
(2, 8) PASSED 10-0-0**

### **COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF ATHLETIC TRAINING EDUCATION (CAATE)**

Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) President-Elect LesLee Taylor reported on the open comment periods for the CAATE's Operational Standards for Accreditation of Professional Athletic Training Programs and Curricular Content Standards. Two forums were held during the 2016 convention to garner member feedback on the standards. Taylor encouraged ATs in the room to use the open comment period to comment both positively and negatively. The first doctoral program in athletic training (DAT) was accredited at Indiana State University.

### **BOARD OF CERTIFICATION (BOC)**

Denise Fandel, Board of Certification (BOC) Executive Director, reminded the board that two AT positions on the BOC board are open. The BOC will be publishing the policies and procedure development guidelines, which are designed as a companion piece for the BOC Facility Principles document.

### **INTER-AGENCY TERMINOLOGY WORKGROUP**

Sara Nottingham, EdD, ATC, chair of the Inter-Agency Terminology Workgroup, presented the revised athletic trainer definition. She explained the definition was tweaked based on input received from the May NATA board meeting and from CAATE. Nottingham recapped the *AT Definition for Approval – June 2016 Revision* document which explained the logic behind the changes accepted for inclusion. The BOD approved the revised definition by consensus.

### **NATA FOUNDATION**

Dr. Floyd reported on the NATA Foundation's activities at the convention, noting the Silent Auction raised more money than in previous years. Almost 400 people participated in the NATA Foundation 5k Fueled by Gatorade. The board congratulated



Shelley Tims, NATA Foundation Director, and Dr. Floyd on a successful 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration event. Dr. Floyd provided an update on 2016 grants and scholarships funded and stated the NATA Foundation audit went well this year with the auditors continuing to stress the need for undesignated funds. He thanked Kathy Creilly, NATA Director of Finance, for her assistance with the audit and the NATA Foundation's finances. Saddler added that Creilly's efforts were extraordinary, since services to the NATA Foundation are provided as a contribution. He said she managed the NATA Foundation audit and then the NATA audit, one right after the other.

### **2016 CONVENTION**

Lori Marker stated this year's Baltimore convention was the second largest to date. Although the Baltimore Convention Center layout was a challenge, more than 8,500 ATs and 1,700 exhibitor personnel attended. Marker reported on feedback related to safety issues, the onsite registration process and the keynote speaker. She commended staff for its teamwork and thanked the board for its support.

### **CONVENTION PROGRAM COMMITTEE (CPC)**

Convention Program Committee (CPC) Chair Erik Swartz, PhD, ATC, FNATA, gave an update on the number of sessions, presenters, moderators and free communications presentations held at convention. He commented on the successful Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) sessions and on continued experimentation with different session formats. Swartz reviewed the continuity challenges faced by the committee, as a result of its district-based structure, and requested the board allow it to be non-district based.

**Moved: To approve the request to remove the requirement for district-based representation on the Convention Program Committee (CPC).  
(8, 2) Defeated 5-5-0 (No 3, 4, 5, 7, 10) President Sailor voted no to break the tie and defeat the motion.**

President Sailor thanked Swartz for his committee's excellent programming options this year and encouraged him to rework his proposal.

### **COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC TRAINERS' COMMITTEE (CUATC)**

Outgoing CUATC Chair Randy Cohen, DPT, ATC, thanked the board for the opportunity to represent the setting. He provided an update on committee activities, including the Best Practices for Appropriate Health Care for Intercollegiate Student-Athletes Summit; the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) meeting; education on employment models; work/life balance improvement efforts; and the junior college initiative. The board thanked him for his outstanding work as chair.

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR EDUCATION (ECE)**

Incoming Executive Committee for Education (ECE) Chair MaryBeth Horodyski, PhD, ATC, LAT, FNATA, provided a report on the activities of the various workgroups under the ECE, including the Internship Workgroup, the Transition to Practice Workgroup, the Doctoral Education Workgroup and the Board of Athletic Training Specialties (BATS).

### **CONVENTION PROGRAM COMMITTEE (CPC)**

Director Duffy noted that, since the CPC's request was not approved, additional meeting funding was needed for a member whose term had been extended and was moved to an at-large position after changing districts.

**VOTED: PER THE FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REVIEW, USING FISCAL YEAR SAVINGS OR BOARD DESIGNATED FUNDS, TO APPROVE UP TO \$1,345 TO ALLOW BRIAN BRATTA, PhD, ATC, CSCS (D2), TO ATTEND THE NOVEMBER 2016 CONVENTION PROGRAM COMMITTEE (CPC) FACE-TO-FACE SLOTTING MEETING IN HOUSTON, TX, IN PREPARATION FOR THE 2017 CONVENTION.  
(2, 1) PASSED 10-0-0**

### **PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY COMMITTEE**

Director Coberley encouraged board members to consider appointing young professionals from their districts to the new Professional Responsibility Committee (PRC).

**NATA CODE OF ETHICS**

Committee on Professional Ethics (COPE) Chair Tim Neal, MS, ATC, thanked the board for the opportunity to present. He presented changes to the Code of Ethics, with the goals of emphasizing patient care and adherence to state regulations; expanding the list of characteristics protected from discrimination; and addressing confidentiality and social media. He encouraged board members and their district volunteers to help publicize the updated code.

**VOTED: TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE NATA CODE OF ETHICS.  
(7, 3) PASSED 10-0-0**

**AT YOUR OWN RISK (AYOR)**

Tamesha Logan provided more information on the At Your Own Risk (AYOR) campaign as a follow up to the announcement at the General Session. She discussed the campaign's role in the larger NATA brand, reviewed the functionality of the online tools and addressed next steps to create opportunities to share the message. Logan commended the marketing staff on their work.

**AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION (AHA) BACK TO SPORTS**

Logan reviewed the goal and history of the American Heart Association (AHA) Back to Sports program and NATA's support. She provided a summary of the results of the pilot program and of the next steps.

**CLOSED SESSION**

The board went into closed session at 4:55 p.m., after which it was adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

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**VOTED: TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE GUIDELINES IN THE NATA ANTITRUST STATEMENT.  
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**CLOSED SESSION**

The board went into closed session at 8:06 a.m. and was called to order again at 9:39 a.m.

**NATA POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (PAC)**

Amy Callender gave an update on the status of the NATA Political Action Committee (PAC) and stated no funds have been used for activities that would cause the PAC or NATA to be out of compliance with laws and regulations that could potentially result in the loss of tax-exempt status.

**COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

President Sailor requested board approval of his appointments to chair the ATs Care Committee (ACC) and the Historical Commission. He noted Matt Webber, MA, AT Ret, had resigned as chair of the Commission and stated he would request a report on the NATA funds allocated for Webber's historical research. Oats provided background on Dave Middlemas' work in the area of critical incident management.

**VOTED: TO APPROVE DAVE MIDDLEMAS, EdD, ATC, AS CHAIR OF THE ATs CARE COMMITTEE (ACC) AND ROGER KALISIAK, MEd, ATC, AS CHAIR OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION BEGINNING JUNE 2016.  
(2, 1) PASSED 10-0-0**

**MANAGING PRESCRIPTIONS AND NON-PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION IN THE ATHLETIC TRAINING FACILITY**

Treasurer Weston presented a proposal for a task force to update the 2009 Consensus Statement on Managing Prescriptions and Non-Prescription Medication in the Athletic Training Facility. He noted there is currently no financial ask associated with the proposal.

**VOTED: TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL TO CREATE A TASK FORCE TO UPDATE THE 2009 CONSENSUS STATEMENT ON MANAGING PRESCRIPTIONS AND NON-PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION IN THE ATHLETIC TRAINING FACILITY.  
(1, 2) PASSED 10-0-0**

**COMMITTEE MEMBER FUNDING DISCUSSION**

The board discussed the feasibility of allocating funds to enable NATA committee members to attend the convention. Obstacles include the amount of funding needed and the possibility of people volunteering just for the convention benefit. It was suggested that districts provide a grant for one person for which volunteers can apply.

**ADVISORY ROLE FOR NATA COMMITTEE AWARDS**

Treasurer Weston presented a proposal for the Honors & Awards Committee chair to act as an advisor for committees or other NATA groups that want to establish new awards, by providing guidance and a historical perspective, monitoring for redundancy and ensuring messaging is consistent and productive. The board expressed consensus to support the process.

**BOBBY GUNN AWARD**

Director Duffy presented the Bobby Gunn Award process developed by the Student Leadership Committee (SLC). He noted the transfer of ownership will take a lot of pressure off the districts.

**VOTED: TO ENDORSE THE BOBBY GUNN AWARD PROCESS.  
(2, 3) PASSED 10-0-0**

**NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (NCAA) CONSENSUS STATEMENTS**

President Sailor presented two consensus statements developed at the NCAA's *Second Safety in College Football Summit*. He noted these recommendations have the potential for a significant impact.

**VOTED: TO ENDORSE THE NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (NCAA) STATEMENTS *INTER-ASSOCIATION BEST PRACTICES: DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT OF SPORT-RELATED CONCUSSION AND INTER-ASSOCIATION BEST PRACTICES: INDEPENDENT MEDICAL CARE FOR COLLEGE STUDENT-ATHLETES*.  
(5, 2) PASSED 10-0-0**

**YOUTH SPORTS GOVERNING BODIES MEETING 2017: LAYING THE FRAMEWORK FOR NATIONAL OVERSIGHT**

Oats presented a proposal to fund the third Youth Sports Governing Bodies Meeting in 2017. She noted the previous meeting resulted in a consensus statement that is currently in review and will later be presented to the board. At the 2016 meeting the group discussed the possibility of forming a national organization to set policy and oversee sports safety in this population. The goal of the 2017 meeting is to continue these conversations and begin developing the groundwork for the organization.

**VOTED: PER THE FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REVIEW, TO APPROVE THE 2017 YOUTH SPORTS GOVERNING BODIES MEETING: LAYING THE FRAMEWORK FOR NATIONAL OVERSIGHT, UP TO \$5,270 FROM FISCAL YEAR SAVINGS OR BOARD DESIGNATED FUNDS.  
(1, 2) PASSED 10-0-0**

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

Saddler observed that too often in his opinion, the association is cast in a negative light regarding its decisions and processes. He encouraged each board member and association leader combat these sentiments when they are heard or seen. Saddler commented on efforts to communicate the association's success to the members. He commended Marketing and Communications staff for the appeal and professionalism of this year's General Session. He commented on the possibility of holding a state leader meeting to expand on the success of the JCM. He also discussed future opportunities in the areas of professional sports, injury prevention, opioid addiction, mental health and improved data collection.

### **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION OF SPORT IN CHINA (GASC)**

President Sailor reported on the meeting in Boston with the delegation from the General Administration of Sport in China (GASC) and noted staff is working on a business plan for NATA's possible contributions to address the needs in the country.

### **BEST PRACTICES FOR APPROPRIATE HEALTH CARE FOR INTERCOLLEGIATE STUDENT-ATHLETES SUMMIT**

Oats provided further information on the planning of the Appropriate Health Care for Intercollegiate Student-Athletes Summit and the volunteers involved. Director Coberley suggested that he and Vice President Lindley both participate in the planning group.

### **NATA LEADERSHIP ACADEMY**

James provided an update on the reorganization of the NATA Leadership Academy and shared excerpts from the first module, which staff anticipates will be available in August. She commended Tracey Dreighton for her work on the project.

### **NATA CAREER CENTER**

Director Wood brought up feedback from members about the Career Center displaying jobs that do not meet NATA's guidelines. She suggested a disclaimer that ensures members understand some of the jobs are pulled automatically from other career websites. The board expressed by consensus that such a disclaimer would be helpful.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Appropriate information on the following items was provided to the board through background materials, previous discussions or e-ballot.

#### **VOTED: TO APPROVE**

- **MINUTES FROM THE MAY 2016 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS (ALL).**
  - **EXTEND THE TERM OF PAUL KRAWIETZ, EdD, ATC, LAT (D6), ON THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (PDC) TO 2021 SO HE MAY SERVE AS THE ATHLETIC TRAINING EDUCATORS' CONFERENCE (ATEC) CHAIR.**
  - **M. SUE GUYER, DPE, ATC, CSCS (D1), AS THE CHAIR OF THE DISTRICT SECRETARIES'/TREASURERS' COMMITTEE (DST) BEGINNING JUNE 2016.**
- (1, 2) PASSED 10-0-0**

### **DISTRICT BUSINESS**

#### **District X**

Director Wood reported on the upcoming election for director and treasurer and the district meeting in March 2017, which included a NATAPAC fundraiser. She congratulated District X on winning the Quiz Bowl.

#### **District VIII**

Director Peters announced the upcoming District VIII meeting in July will include a NATAPAC fundraiser golf tournament.

#### **District VI**

Director Hall reported on the upcoming District VI meeting in Arlington and said he looks forward to the 2017 convention in Houston.

#### **District IV**

Vice President Lindley reported on the upcoming election for District IV director and on new efforts to improve district committee communication, including a joint committee meeting in October.

#### **District II**

Director Duffy announced the upcoming EATA meeting in Philadelphia in January and noted EATA will be initiating a hall of fame this year.

District IX

Director Brunett announced the new president and vice president for District IX, as well as future plans to review the district's committee structure. She announced the upcoming District IX meeting in March 2017 in Atlanta.

District V

Director Coberley reported record attendance at the District V meeting for the third consecutive year.

District III

Director Aronson reported on successful fundraisers for the NATA Foundation and NATAPAC at the May MAATA meeting and on upcoming elections for director and secretary. She commended District III for hosting a great convention.

District I

Treasurer Weston noted EATA will begin holding an educators' conference in alternate years from ATEC. The first one will be in Boston in 2018.

**ADJOURN**

After appropriate thank yous, the meeting was adjourned at 12:06 p.m.