

NATIONAL ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
Board of Directors Web Conference Meeting Minutes
10:00 a.m. Central Time
March 25, 2025

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Guests

Lynne Young, Med, LAT, ATC, BOC Liaison
Gary Hanna, MS, LAT, ATC, CAATE Liaison
Ken Cameron, PhD, MPH, ATC, CSCS, President, NATA Foundation
Trevor Bates, DHSc, AT, ATC, Co-Chair, DEIA Council
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CALL TO ORDER

President Duffy called the meeting to order at 10:00 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

BOC

Lynne Young, the BOC Liaison, announced that the BOC Board has approved the transition of the current Specialty Advisory Council to a Specialty Council. An open call for candidates was released on March 3 to recruit applicants for three positions

designated for BCS-O credential holders. The application deadline is April 1. The BOC is currently updating the Facility Principles and developing Policy and Procedures resources. The Pathfinder Pilot has concluded, and participants have completed a comprehensive final survey. Staff are now compiling and analyzing the pilot data. Additionally, the BOC plans to conduct a complete review of the Continuing Professional Certification (CPC) program and discuss its specifics. The Document Team for the AT Compact has finalized the initial compact language, which is now open for public comment. At present, there are 68 BCS-O certified holders. The next Orthopedic Specialty exam is scheduled for September, with the application deadline set for August 14. The registration deadline for the March/April AT Exam is March 5, with the exam window opening on March 22 and closing on April 5.

CAATE

Gary Hanna, the CAATE Liaison, reported that last week that the CAATE released a statement on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) standards. They are currently reviewing two professional standards and two residency standards for any potentially conflicting language. The next CAATE town hall is scheduled for March 27. Additionally, the CAATE has appointed James Pavletich as the new executive director.

NATA Foundation

NATA Foundation President Cameron reported that tickets for the Orlando fundraising event at Top Golf are now on sale, priced at \$65. This includes food and an open bar with beer and wine. There are several committee volunteer positions available, which can be found on the Foundation's website. The Educational Resources Committee continues to publish the monthly Research to Clinical Practice Newsletter. In addition to the print version, this publication will now also be available via email. Recently, the recipients of the Free Communication Award were announced. The Research Grant program is currently accepting and reviewing proposals, with the awardees expected to be announced in May or early June. Lastly, 67 scholarships will be awarded to students and emerging leaders.

PRESIDENT REPORT

President Duffy provided an update on the projects he has been working on since the last meeting.

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 JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2025 BOARD MEETING MINUTES (ALL)**
- **APPROVE THE REVISED NATA 2026 CONVENTION HONORARIA/EXPENSE POLICY AS PRESENTED.**
- **APPROVE JENNIFER BEARDSLEE (D4) AS THE ICSM MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**
- **APPROVE BOB WALLER (D7) AS ICSM MOUNTAIN WEST CONFERENCE MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**
- **APPROVE CHRIS LAPOLE (D3) AS ICSM SUN BELT CONFERENCE MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**
- **APPROVE MICKI COLLINS (D9) AS ICSM SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**
- **APPROVE COLLIN FRANCIS (D3) AS ICSM HBCU MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**
- **APPROVE LAUREN NORTON (D9) AS ICSM FCS AT-LARGE MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**
- **APPROVE KALEB BIRNEY (D5) AS ICSM NCAA DIVISION II MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**
- **APPROVE ADAM SMITH (D3) AS ICSM NCAA DIVISION II MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**
- **APPROVE RICHARD COX (D1) AS ICSM NCAA DIVISION III MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**
- **APPROVE KRISTEN HEFFNER (D11) AS ICSM NCAA DIVISION III MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**
- **APPROVE MEGHAN NEFFENDORF (D9) AS ICSM NAIA MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**
- **APPROVE BRANDON JOHNSON (D8) AS ICSM TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS CCCATA MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**
- **APPROVE BRIANNE STURGEON (D2) AS ICSM TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS USCAA MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**
- **APPROVE NYCOL WALTERS (D10) AS ICSM TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS NWAC MEMBER EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.**

- APPROVE DANA DEFLIN (D9) AS DEIA COUNCIL VICE-CHAIR EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.
 - APPROVE MONICA SMITH (D6) AS COPA OCCUPATIONAL CHAIR EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.
 - APPROVE STACEY RITTER (D8) AS COPA REHABILITATION/CLINIC PANEL CHAIR EFFECTIVE JUNE 2025.
 - APPROVE JOEL LUEDKE (D11) AS COPA PUBLIC SAFETY PANEL MEMBER EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.
- (2,11) PASSED (11-0-0)

ADJOURNMENT

Following a closed session and executive session, President Duffy adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Submitted by:


Scott Galloway, Secretary/Treasurer
NATA Board of Directors