

NATIONAL ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
Board of Directors Web Conference Meeting Minutes
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Diane Sartanowicz, MS, LAT, ATC
Craig Voll, PhD, ATC
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Lyn Nakagawa, MS, ATC, CSCS

Guests

LesLee Taylor, PhD, ATC, LAT, President, CAATE
Micki Cuppett, EdD, ATC, Executive Director, CAATE
Brian Conway, ATC, President, NATA Foundation
Rusty McKune, MS, ATC, President, BOC
Anne Minton, MA, MBA, Associate Executive Director, BOC
David Middlemas, EdD, ATC, CCISM, chair, ATs Care Committee
Randy Cohen, ATC, DPT, chair, Liability Toolkit Workgroup
Joe Greene, MS, ATC, chair, Third Party Reimbursement Pilot Project

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CALL TO ORDER

President Sailor called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Ten of the ten voting members were present. The requirements for a quorum were met.

OPENING REMARKS

President Sailor welcomed to the call the Strategic Alliance members in attendance, Dave Middlemas, chair of ATs Care Committee, Randy Cohen, chair of the Liability Toolkit Workgroup and Joe Greene, consultant of the Third Party Reimbursement Pilot project.

2021 NATA CONVENTION UPDATE

Lori Marker updated the board on the status of the RFP for cities to host the 2021 NATA Convention. While she hoped to present a final proposal on this month's call, due to pending information from critical cities, the proposal will be pushed back to next month's call. She stated there are five final cities under consideration, including Chicago, Illinois; Orlando, Florida; Houston, Texas; San Diego, California; and St. Louis, Missouri. She indicated the strong possibility of an e-ballot for approval.

Lori Marker left the call.

THIRD PARTY REIMBURSEMENT PILOT PROJECT FINAL REPORT

Joe Greene presented a final report of the Third Party Reimbursement Pilot project to the board. Greene presented the executive summary, including project highlights, key achievements and recommendations for continuing the project's concept based on the results of the pilot study. Greene noted there has been significant progress made in all states in the pilot project due to effective advocacy and educational efforts targeting both employers and payers.

Amy Callender reviewed the fiscal year budget forecast related to Greene's current contract and noted there would be an additional financial request presented to the board in January 2018. President Sailor mentioned this information would be pertinent to share at the State Leadership Forum and with the State Association Advisory Committee so that leaders could view opportunities to take this report and create action items at the state level.

The board thanked Greene for his efforts and stated they look forward to continuing to work with him on future third party reimbursement initiatives.

Joe Greene left the call.

FINANCE UPDATE

July and August 2017 Financial Statements

Treasurer Weston presented the August performance and stated that year-to-date revenue and expenses are slightly under budget.

NATA Audit Update

Kathy Creilly announced the audit began a week ago and hopes the process will be completed by the end of next week. A final report would be prepared and presented to the board in January, following the Finance Committee's review.

Treasurer Weston informed the board that the Finance Committee unanimously approved forwarding the following items for financial approval. If approved, funding would come from fiscal year savings or board-designated funds from the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year budget.

ATs Care Committee (ATsC) NATA Refresher Course Funding Request

David Middlemas, EdD, ATC, CCISM, ATsC chair, presented a request from the committee for funding to support a continuing education course and networking opportunity at NATA 2018 for members already trained in CISM. Middlemas noted this request would fund for about 50 attendees' participation in the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation's recommended refresher course.

**VOTED: PER THE REVIEW OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, USING FISCAL YEAR SAVINGS OR BOARD-DESIGNATED FUNDS, APPROVE FUNDING UP TO \$12,000 TO PROVIDE A CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY AT THE 2018 NATA CONVENTION FOR THOSE ATs WHO HAVE COMPLETED CRITICAL INCIDENT STRESS MANAGEMENT (CISM) TRAINING.
(3. 9) PASSED 10-0-0**

David Middlemas left the call.

Liability Toolkit Project Funding Request

Randy Cohen presented a request to fund a member of the Liability Toolkit Workgroup to present the toolkit project during the University Risk Management and Insurance Association's (URMIA) Regional Meetings. Cohen noted this presentation proposal has not yet been approved by URMIA as of yet, but felt confident it will be selected.

VOTED: PER THE REVIEW OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, USING FISCAL YEAR SAVINGS OR BOARD-DESIGNATED FUNDS, APPROVE FUNDING UP TO \$5,100 FOR A DESIGNATED MEMBER(S) TO PRESENT AT FOUR UNIVERSITY RISK MANAGEMENT AND INSURANCE ASSOCIATION (URMIA) REGIONAL MEETINGS.

(3, 9) PASSED 10-0-0

Intercollegiate Council for Sports Medicine (ICSM) Funding Request

Rachael Oats presented a request to fund three additional members of the ICSM to attend the Joint Committee Meeting in January 2018. These members were added to the council by the board during the June 2018, meeting. The addition members were added due to splitting the National Association of Intercollegiate Activities (NAIA) and Junior College committee into two separate ICSM groups.

**VOTED: PER THE REVIEW OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, USING FISCAL YEAR SAVINGS OR BOARD-DESIGNATED FUNDS, APPROVE FUNDING UP TO \$3,500 FOR THREE NEW INTERCOLLEGIATE COUNCIL FOR SPORTS MEDICINE (ICSM) MEMBERS TO ATTEND THE 2018 JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING.
(6, 5) PASSED 10-0-0**

National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Think Tank Funding Request

Rachael Oats presented a request to appoint a member to serve on an NCAA think tank that will meet in January. The think tank will address strategies for reducing and eliminating sexual violence on college campuses. Oats announced that with the support of President Sailor, Executive Director Saddler and President-elect Lindley, ICSM chair Murphy Grant recommended Marc Paul, MS, ATC, LAT to represent NATA.

**VOTED: PER THE REVIEW OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, USING FISCAL YEAR SAVINGS OR BOARD-DESIGNATED FUNDS, APPROVE FUNDING UP TO \$1,200 FOR ONE NATA MEMBER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NCAA THINK TANK TO DISCUSS STRATEGIES FOR REDUCING/ELIMINATING SEXUAL VIOLENCE ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES.
(5, 9) PASSED 10-0-0**

NATA Scientific Journals Budget Increase Funding Request

Anita James presented a request to fund an increase in the current fiscal year budget for journal publishing. James noted that during the RFP process, a review was conducted to identify strategies to decrease the existing backlog. She mentioned that the best solution is to increase technical copyediting of the journals. The funds would be used to double technical copyediting efforts, with the goal of eliminating the backlog by the end of 2018.

**VOTED: PER THE REVIEW OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, USING FISCAL YEAR SAVINGS OR BOARD-DESIGNATED FUNDS, APPROVED FUNDING UP TO A \$35,000 INCREASE TO THE 2017-2018 BUDGET FOR THE NATA SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF TECHNICAL COPYEDITING.
(10, 3) PASSED 10-0-0**

NATA Journals Plagiarism Prevention Software Funding Request

Anita James presented a request to purchase software to assist with monitoring and preventing plagiarism in articles in NATA's scientific journals. The software, iDenticare, would evaluate manuscripts prior to publication to guarantee they are original, thus protecting NATA and the credibility of its journals. James noted this software is considered the industry standard in plagiarism prevention.

**VOTED: PER THE REVIEW OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, USING FISCAL YEAR SAVINGS OR BOARD-DESIGNATED FUNDS, APPROVE FUNDING UP TO A \$7,000 FOR PLAGIARISM PREVENTION SOFTWARE FOR THE NATA SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS.
(9, 8) PASSED 10-0-0**

National Association of Advisors for the Health Professions (NAAHP) Membership Funding Request

President Sailor presented a request to fund NATA's membership in the NAAHP. Sailor mentioned NATA members recommended joining this association at the CAATE Accreditation Conference. The association's members are primarily academic advisors to the secondary school setting, who advise secondary school students on career paths in the medical field. With the association as a member, ATs may be able to present to other NAAHP members on topics relevant to the profession, as well as potentially hold leadership positions within the NAAHP. Sailor also indicated there may be a role for the AT Strategic Alliance.

**VOTED: PER THE REVIEW OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, USING FISCAL YEAR SAVINGS OR BOARD-DESIGNATED FUNDS, APPROVE FUNDING MEMBERSHIP IN THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ADVISORS FOR THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS (NAAHP).
(10, 2) PASSED 10-0-0**

World Federation of Athletic Training and Therapy (World Federation) President's Attendance at Joint Committee Meeting (JCM) Funding Request

President Sailor presented a request to fund the new World Federation President, Glen Bergeron, to attend the 2018 Joint Committee Meeting. Tamesha Logan and Director Duffy added that they look forward to working with President Bergeron in the future on new initiatives and collaboration with NATA's International Committee.

Prior to the motion, President Sailor clarified that the World Federation did not submit this financial request, rather it was suggested during the Strategic Alliance meeting.

**VOTED: PER THE REVIEW OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, USING FISCAL YEAR SAVINGS OR BOARD-DESIGNATED FUNDS, APPROVE FUNDING UP TO \$1,800 FOR GLEN BERGERON, THE NEW WORLD FEDERATION PRESIDENT, TO ATTEND JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING IN 2018.
(2, 10) PASSED 10-0-0**

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS UPDATE

Amy Callender announced that as of last week, the Government Affairs Committee (GAC)'s State Government Affairs Legislative Grant awards have been finalized, with a projected \$585,000 to be distributed. The breakdown is \$510,000 for discretionary grants, \$40,000 for matching grants and \$30,000 in reserve grants to be used for emergencies. Callender thanked the GAC for its time and consideration throughout the process. District Directors were copied on the award letters to their states' Governmental Affairs Committees.

Director Coberley requested the directors reach out to their GAC representative and thank them for their hard work and dedication to the State Legislative Grant Program.

On the federal front, progress continues to be made on S. 808, The Sports Medicine Licensure Clarity Act. She announced that additional organizations have joined the advocacy and lobbying efforts of the bill, using the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) as an example.

Callender updated the board on potential dates for a March 2018 Capitol Hill Day. Hotel contracts currently are under review.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

VOTED: TO APPROVE:

- **MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 2017 BOARD MEETING (ALL)**

(9, 3) PASSED 10-0-0

ADJOURNMENT

Following a closed session, President Sailor adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.