CALL TO ORDER
President Sailor called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. Ten of the ten voting members were present. The requirements for a quorum were met.

OPENING REMARKS
President Sailor welcomed to the call Josh Woodall, proxy for District Six; Jeff McKibbin, chair of the Government Affairs Committee (GAC); and members of the AT Strategic Alliance.

FINANCE COMMITTEE
August 2016 Financial Statements
Treasurer Weston reviewed NATA’s August financial statements and reminded the board that convention-related income and expenses would not be finalized until the September 2016 close. Revenue and expenses are below budget since convention revenue/expenses have not yet been finalized.

Government Affairs Committee (GAC) State Legislative Grants
McKibbin gave an overview of the 2016 legislative grant requests received by the GAC and noted many states’ practice acts are under review. McKibbin requested $390,952 in additional funding for state legislative grants for the remainder of the fiscal year.
VOTED: PER THE REVIEW OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE USING FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 SAVINGS OR BOARD DESIGNATED FUNDS, APPROVE FUNDING UP TO $390,952 FOR STATE LEGISLATIVE GRANTS.
(3, 2) PASSED 10-0-0

Jeff McKibbin left the call.

Executive Committee for Education (ECE) Chair Funding Request
Anita James reminded the board of the early resignation and replacement of the Executive Committee for Education (ECE) chair. With this change, the chair’s stipend must be increased by $20,864 to cover the remainder of the fiscal year.

VOTED: PER THE REVIEW OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE USING FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 SAVINGS OR BOARD DESIGNATED FUNDS, APPROVE FUNDING UP TO $20,864 TO COVER THE REMAINDER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR EDUCATION (ECE) CHAIR’S STIPEND.
(3, 9) PASSED 10-0-0

Transition to Practice (TTP) Workgroup Funding Request
James stated the Transition to Practice (TTP) Workgroup will have a final report for the board’s consideration in November. If approved, the workgroup will rely on various committees to implement the final recommendations. The co-chairs, Steve Nordwall, ATC, and Brian Vesci, MA, ATC, requested funding to attend the January 2017 Joint Committee Meeting (JCM) in Dallas to present the workgroup’s findings and meet with committees in person.

VOTED: PER THE REVIEW OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE USING FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 SAVINGS OR BOARD DESIGNATED FUNDS, APPROVE FUNDING UP TO $2,058 FOR TRANSITION TO PRACTICE WORKGROUP CO-CHAIRS, STEVE NORDWALL, ATC, (D3) AND BRIAN VESCI, MA, ATC, (D1) TO ATTEND THE JANUARY 2017 JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING.
(2, 6) PASSED 10-0-0

NATA Fiscal Year-End Change
David Saddler stated the NATA Foundation’s board of directors recently approved the change of its fiscal year to coincide with NATA’s new fiscal year-end. This change will enable both organizations to reduce audit time, increase efficiency due to occurring during a slower time of year and offer a potential for reduced audit fees.

Historical Commission Update
Treasurer Weston reminded the board of the recent transition of the chair of the Historical Commission from Matt Webber, MA, AT Ret., to Roger Kalisiak, MSEd, ATC. In June 2015, the board approved funding a second book on the history of athletic training to be written by Webber. Work continues on the project and it is expected to finish under budget. A report on revenue sharing from book sales will be made when appropriate.

2017 NATA PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION
Rachael Oats presented a timeline for the upcoming election of an NATA President. A letter from President Sailor was sent to those eligible stating November 7 is the deadline to announce their candidacy. The Nominating Committee will meet during the 2017 convention to choose the final two candidates; of whom one will be elected in September 2017. Candidates may travel to spring 2017 district meetings at their own expense. Districts are encouraged to allow a fair and balanced time to any meeting attendees.

COMMITTEE MEMBER ELIGIBILITY POLICY CHANGE REQUEST
Director Brunett requested the board review the membership requirements for national committee service. Currently, certified AT retired members are not eligible to serve on committees. Brunett stated that because certified AT retired members have much to offer NATA including experience, leadership and institutional knowledge, the board should consider removing this restriction.

VOTED: TO PERMIT CERTIFIED AT RETIRED MEMBERS TO SERVE ON NATIONAL COMMITTEES.
(8, 9) PASSED 10-0-0
UPDATES/INFORMATION

Government Affairs Update
Amy Callender updated the board on various government affairs initiatives, including the status of the Senate Bill S.689: The Sports Medicine Licensure Clarity Act. Callender thanked board members for their support of the Safe Sports School Award and stated more than 900 schools have received the recognition. She alerted the board that 2017 Capitol Hill Day may be moved to later in the spring since this is an election year. More information will be provided within the next 30-60 days.

At Your Own Risk (AYOR)
Tamesha Logan stated the At Your Own Risk (AYOR) program and website have received a positive response. She urged directors to provide the names of high-profile individuals willing to give testimonials to her or External Marketing Manager Amanda Muscatell.

Salary Survey District Contest
Logan said the Marketing and Public Relations Department will conduct a salary survey of the membership mid-October through mid-November. The last survey had a response rate of 17%. A district competition will be held to generate survey interest with the hope of a 35% participation rate this year. Information will be provided through the national briefing and normal NATA communication channels.

International Committee (IC) International Partner Award
During the September 2016 board web conference, the board approved an International Partner Award created by the International Committee (IC). After the meeting, Treasurer Weston spoke to the Honors and Awards chair and determined no other award recipients are compensated to attend convention to receive awards.

VOTED: TO REMOVE THE FUNDING REQUEST FOR THE INTERNATIONAL PARTNER AWARD CREATED BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE AND APPROVED DURING THE SEPTEMBER 2016 BOARD WEB CONFERENCE.
(1, 3) PASSED 10-0-0

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

VOTED: TO APPROVE
- MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 2016 BOARD WEB CONFERENCE.
- THE INTER-ASSOCIATION TASK FORCE DOCUMENT ON EMERGENCY HEALTH AND SAFETY: BEST-PRACTICE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR YOUTH SPORTS LEAGUES.
- APPROVE KAVIN TSANG, PhD, ATC (D8), AS THE CHAIR OF THE CONVENTION PROGRAM COMMITTEE (CPC) BEGINNING JUNE 2017.
(2, 9) PASSED 10-0-0

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE (NFL) AT GRANT PROGRAM
Rachael Oats updated the board on the NFL/NATA Athletic Training grant program approved in August 2016. A press release will be issued next week with details on the grant application process, which will be open through mid-December.

ADJOURNMENT
Following a closed session, President Sailor adjourned the meeting at 12:57 p.m.