

Eastern Athletic Trainers' Association, Inc.

Executive Board Conference Call

November 24, 2013, 8:00 pm

EATA Executive Board Members: Diane Sartanowicz (Past-President), John Davis (President), Jennifer Brodeur (President-Elect), Robb Rehberg (Treasurer), Jennifer Semle (Secretary), Paul Ullucci (District 1 Director), Joe Scott (District 1 Treasurer), Sue Guyer (District 1 Secretary), Michael Goldenberg (District 2 Director), AJ Duffy (District 2 Treasurer), Tanya Dargusch (District 2 Secretary). Incoming Officers: Ron Laham (EATA Treasurer), Tim Weston (District 1 Director), David Csillan (D2 Secretary). [Note: Diane Sartanowicz (D1 Treasurer).]

I. Call to Order (8:05 pm) – Past President, Diane Sartanowicz. President John Davis arrived on call (8:12pm)

II. Secretary's Report – Jen Semle – Approval of June 2013 Minutes

Drop Box issue – some Board members can get on and some cannot get on. Maybe we need to sit down in next few days to figure out how to best use this technology to help our group instead of hinder.

Charge: Michael Goldenberg to set up a new EATA Dropbox and invite all Executive Board Members.

No Motion made. Semle will put “Minutes to be Approved” in Dropbox when set up is completed and then send out an email to the Executive Board to let them know that the Minutes are in Dropbox for their viewing/changes. Davis will call for an email vote of approval.

III. Treasurer's Report – Robb Rehberg (in the future just say see attached and save the report to minutes)

Motion: Michael Goldenberg motions to accept the November 24, 2013 Treasurer's Report.

Second: Tanya Dargusch

A. 4 Year Conference Statistics as of late November.

1. Exhibits: 41(2010) 25(2011) 18(2012) 20(2013)
2. Attendee Totals: 335('10) 300('11) 158('12) 293('13) 100 more than last year. delete
3. Workshops: A(5) B(7) C(23) D(8) E(12) F(9) G(0) H(1) I(20)
 - a. 4 Yr Total: 80('10) 122('11) 80('12) 85('13)

B. Account Summary (as of 11/22/13):

1. **Scholarships:** \$183,100.61('12) \$197,904.02('13)
 - a. Cash Available: \$98,724.24
 - b. Discussion for the future – maybe we can give out another scholarship
2. **Research:** \$126,721.76 ('12) \$131,999.85('13)
 - a. Cash Available: \$35,012.11
3. **Main:** \$72,484.28('12) \$75,227.51('13)
 - a. Cash Available: \$36,392.27
4. **Totals:** \$382,306.65('12) \$405,131.38('13)
 - a. Cash Available: \$170,128.62

Paul Ullucci asked about the June motion he had made to endow the Scholarship Account. Rehberg explained current situation. Scholarships are endowed now. Discussion about doing the same to the Research Account. Ullucci stresses the need to consistently be made to give back to our membership.

Motion: Ullucci makes a motion to take \$36,000 and move it to Research Account and therefore make Research and Scholarships fully endowed (for the very first time).

Second: AJ Duffy

Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

Discussion: We want to strive towards a third scholarship. Continue this discussion in the January 2014 Executive Board Meeting.

C. Investment Notes:

1. Main Account is cash heavy (investment returns and registrations).
Recommend to move Black Rock Fund to Scholarship Account to increase income.
2. Research Account is at +6.8% YTD. Re-invest cash available to increase return by \$2-4k
3. Scholarship Account is currently at +7.3% YTD.
Cash heavy due to investment returns. Determine the amount of cash to invest 50/50 fixed/equity.

D. Other Items:

1. D&O Insurance Policy renewed
2. CCI Insurance Renewed
3. FY13 tax returns filed

Vote to accept the November 24, 2013 Treasurer's Report: Yes – 9, No – 0, Abstain - 1 (RR). Motion carried.

IV. Program Update – President-Elect, Jennifer Brodeur (using #'s from Treasurer's report)

A. Registration Number: 292

B. Workshops:

1. Discussion of deadline to cancel low enrollment workshops - Dec 15th or 20th to close.
2. Discussion of additional instructors to assist in some workshops if we increase max # - maybe

C. Additional meetings put on the schedule:

1. NATA ECE (Sat 8-9)
2. CAATE (Sun 8-9)
3. NATA Focus Groups (TBD)

D. Room assignments:

1. Registration area – large main entrance
2. Workshops – room directly off Registration
3. General Lectures – entrance off casino. Students are separated a little from general site.
4. Banquet area is upstairs.

E. Food & Beverage: big expense.

F. Printing: Comparing prices.

G. Signs/Easels: electronic boards at entrance to every room - with location map.

H. Contacts at Foxwoods:

1. Tracy Shaw (new) – Convention Services Manager, tshaw@foxwoods.com (860) 312-4860
2. Pamela McNeil – Catering Manager, pmcneil@foxwoods.com (860) 312-4245 (fax:4005)

V. Committee Reports

A. Research Committee – Committee Chair, Marjorie King

1. 2015 EATA Grant Winners:

“A Comparison of Organizational Infrastructure on the Quality of Life of the Athletic Trainer”, Stephanie Mazerolle, PhD, ATC, LAT, University of Connecticut

“Central and Peripheral Nervous System Adaptations Across the Spectrum of ACL Injury and Reconstruction”, Grant Norte, MEd, ATC, University of Virginia

2. MAK Research to Reality Presenter:

Joseph B. Myers, PhD, ATC - Professor of Exercise and Sports Science, and Adjunct Assoc. Professor of Orthopaedics at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
Title – “Throwing injuries in the adolescent baseball player”.

3. Free Communications:

Undergraduate: “The Coolshirt System™ Aids Thermoregulation During Exertion in Hot Environment”, Phillip Stamatis, Marist College.

Graduate: “An Examination of Graduate Assistant AT Experiences in Regards to Mentorship”, Stephanie Clines, ATC, University of Connecticut.

B. Scholarship Winners – Committee Chair, Neil Curtis

The Committee has not made their decision at this time. December 4th deadline.

C. Award Winners -

1. MBM/Henry Schein Award – Committee Chair, Joe Camillone.

No nominations. Discussion about how to help Camillone get appropriate nominees.

Does he have committee members?

Motion: Susan Guyer motions to have the District 1 & 2 Secondary School Representatives to assist Camillone to help increase the nominations for recognizing fellow AT's.

Second: Joe Scott

Vote: 10-0-0 unanimous. Motion passed.

Charge: Davis to speak with Camillone and the new representatives.

2. Cramer Award - Committee Chair, Joe Camillone.

Only 2 people were nominated for this program. Discussion.

Motion: Ullucci motions that the District Directors will be part of the selection committee for the Cramer Award.

Second: Dargausch

Vote: 10-0-0 unanimous. Motion passed.

3. Moyer Award – Committee Chair, George O’Neil.

Friday Nov. 22 was the deadline. Sartanowicz will follow up with O’Neil this week.

VI. Frank George Award – Past-President, Diane Sartanowicz

The FJGA Committee connected on an earlier conference call to discuss the record 10 candidates that applied this year and narrowed down the pool to 3 candidates to bring to the Executive Board for further discussion and a vote.

Additional discussion: The “tool” needs to be worked on to make it more user friendly, more like a true “Rubric”. The committee still feels like the tool is still not adequate.

A vote of the Board is taken and it is agreed to nominate Kelly Pagnotta (UConn).

Charge: Sartanowicz to call to congratulate Pagnotta and inform the remainder of the 9 candidates on a decision.

VII. Presidential Award - President, John Davis

Davis presented names he had saved from discussions over the previous 9 months. Discussion.

Nominated: Lisa Quadrini (Investment Consultant) and Mary Mundrane-Zweiacher (Student Delegation)

Charge: John Davis to call the winners.

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

A. BAV – New 3 Year Contract

Motion: Dargausch makes the motion to allow Davis to sign the BAV 3 year contract.

Second: Goldenberg

Vote: 10-0-0 unanimous. Motion passed.

B. New EATA Treasurer – Ron Laham, welcome!

C. Welcome - New District Officers:

David Csillan – D2 Secretary

Tim Weston – D1 Director

Diane Sartanowicz – D1 Treasurer (leaves her position as Past President in June 2014).

D. Thursday Night Dinner – place and time TBD.

Motion to Adjourn: Duffy (9:45pm)