

Eastern Athletic Trainers' Association, Inc.
68th Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium
Executive Board Meeting
January 8, 2016
Sheraton Hotel

Executive Board: John Davis – (Past President), Jennifer Brodeur (President), Greg Janik (President-Elect), Ron Laham (Treasurer), Michele Monaco (Secretary), D1D Tim Weston (District 1 Director), Diane Sartanowicz (District 1 Treasurer), Sue Guyer (District 1 Secretary), D2D AJ Duffy (District 2 Director), Robb Rehberg (District 2 Treasurer), Vicky Graham (Incoming District 1 Secretary) David Csillan (District 2 Secretary).

Call to order President Brodeur called the meeting to order at 8:02AM. All voting members were present. The requirements for quorum were met.

Introduction of Student Delegation Officers

President - Zac Kershaw
Secretary - Kelsey Rynkiewicz
Treasurer – Mikayla Nahay

Secretary Report – Michele Monaco (S)

D1T motion to accept November meeting minutes, second D1D
Voted to approved minutes from the November 2015 meeting
Passed 9-0-0 (PE, PP not present)

Treasurer's Report Ron Laham (T)

D2D motion to accept treasurer's report, D1D second

Treasurer Laham reported Conference Statistics reviewed for 2016. Onsite registration high this year. Space for the conference has been hit the maximum and registrations for Evidence Based Practice sessions have increased. Future needs include a lecture hall that seats 1,000 individuals. Financial report provided in attached document.

Workshops: EATA's currently does not own a credit card reader. These would be beneficial for walk up workshop participants and could be used during the silent auction.

USB: Treasurer Laham. PE and President Brodeur will meet with Andrew from USB on Saturday at 2PM. Board members welcome to join during that time.

Vote to approve treasurer report: 9:0:0

Program Report Greg Janik, PE

EBP workshops courses are being filled, and continue to trend upward. If workshops are not full, participants will be let in and manual registration will occur on site. Future discussions on this issue must continue. Considerations of narrowing down workshops in order to fill space. Current programming occurring with limited issues.

Director's Reports Tim Westin, D1D and AJ Duffy, D2D

Launching AT Cares program for ATs who have been affected by crisis and traumatic events. Currently over 40,000 NATA members, 90% renewals this year. Nation Recommendations for Health and Safety at the Youth Sports Meeting in NYC. D1D and D2D to attend on Jan 20 and 21st KSI and NATA partners to be hosted at NFL HQ. This year the 2016 Youth Sports Safety Summit in Washington, DC on March 14th and 15th. CUATC statement on "Athletic Trainer Aide" approved by BOD. NATA New Position Statements: The Management of Acute Skin and The Prevention of Managing sports related on oral injuries is available. Hit the Hill Committee Day in Baltimore at NATA convention, more information to come. Anticipating 500 individuals. See your Committee Chairs for more detail. Finance Committee update, assets and cash doing well. Currently running ahead of budget. Towson case ruling discussed. ECE transition to practice work group in progress. Young investigator initiative underway. State licensure is being attached in New Hampshire. Major issue in the future will be credentialing. Need to be proactive on all levels.

NATA Foundation Report: Shelley Tims

Thanked committee for foundation support for programs. New logo reveal in NATA news. January 25th launch of new website 25 anniversary for the foundation. More streamlines, programming and vehicle to promote research and educational advancement of individuals benefiting from the foundation. New website will provide better information from the foundation. 64 scholarships awarded in 2015. Research mentoring program is being emphasized this year. This is a program that is getting revitalized. 25th Anniversary of the foundation. Seeking 100% membership participation this year. 25th Anniversary event at the convention this year. 5K, silent auction and special events scheduled for Baltimore.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Registration: Laurie Zaporzynski

Relatively smooth this year. Issues: infrastructure issues that were minimal but need to be refined. Executive board badges available for banquet. 3-6 volunteers tonight for registration/ banquet exchange. Not all participants responded to the banquet. Prepared for members to return tomorrow afternoon and standby at the banquet. Scanners prepared for EBP. No scanning will be done after the fact.

Exhibits –D1D motion to accept Exhibits report, D2D Second

Freeman is doing the exhibit halls. Booth cost have increased this year.

Vote to accept Exhibits report: 9:0:0

Workshops – Steve Nemes. D2D motion to accept Workshop report, D1D second

Number of workshop registrations about the same as last year. Certificates printed out for pre-conference workshops, similar to past years.

Vote to approve Workshops report: 10:0:0

By-Laws – Tim Sensor- D2D motion to accept By-Laws report, D1S Second D1D

Substantive change will be voted on by the membership in the bylaws on Sunday January 10, 2016. Secretary and Treasurer elections to be evaluated by the By-Laws Chair.

Motion: D2D to accept the 2 technical changes to the bylaws. DT1 Second.
Vote: 10:0:0 Pass

Motion: (D2D) Motion to strike the last sentence out of the 7.1 EATA Bylaws, depending on 7.1D. A voice vote of affirmation shall be taken at the business meeting. DT1 Second.
Vote: 9:1:0- Pass

Vote to approve By-Laws report: 10:0:0

Site Selection Committee: Bill von Leer PP motion to accept Site Selection report, second DT1

Kim Lyons joined the meeting to aid in the discussion of future site selection. Start of negotiations 2021-2022 after this conference. District 2 will be looking at Marriott, Sheraton Philadelphia, Valley Forge and Harrah in Atlantic City. 2018 is booked at the Boston Sheridan and we are at the high level of capacity. Hines center is prepared for the overload. Providence and Hartford are also interested in future conferences. Future trends may have to go to a convention center due to trends. Anticipation of growth will determine if convention centers vs hotel conferences. Due to cost continuing with overflow hotels for growth. District 1 growth is Foxwoods. District 2 growth is Valley Forge Convention Center or Harrah's in Atlantic City. Harrah's cost is lower than Philadelphia, and hotel can handle future growth.

Lowes: Millenium, Commonwealth and other meeting rooms on Sunday evening and Monday. They would like the space back as soon as possible. Other conferences are currently looking at the space. Consider negotiations if we relinquish space.

Vote to approve Site Selection report 11:0:0

Student Delegation Chair Report: Mary Mundrane-Zweiacher D1D motion to accept Student Program report, D1S second.

Thanked the board for a successful pre-conference dinner with the students. Delegates very much appreciated the opportunity.

There are more graduate exhibitors at this year's conference. 499 pre-registered students, this is the highest number of student participants. Twitter account started for a grass-roots effort, "What pushes you forward as an Athletic Trainer."

A 2-year term for each delegate. No changes with entry level master's vs undergraduate students. Will develop an e-blast at the student level to help with nominations for new delegates.

Motion (D1T) Motion to approve the \$200.00 allocation for the Student Delegation annual grass roots contest. D1S second.

Vote: 11:0:0

Motion to accept Student Program report. 11:0:0

Student Delegation President Report: Zachary Kershaw

Appreciation for meeting delegates night before meeting at dinner. Reviewed student programming for 2016. 6pm taping contest, with Free Com, followed by quiz bowl. Reviewed program for the weekend. Addition of Fireside Chat is something the Student Delegation is looking forward to in this year's programming.

Sponsorship: Rebecca Sterns

Thank you to Dave Csillan for continual assistance

Awards sponsor level by AT Still. Banquet sponsorships is the second highest tier. First time we have receive one at this level. Consider increasing the price or what they are getting within each of the packages. Future considerations of pricing and packages. Silent auction outside of speaker hall this year based off past experience. List of levels of sponsorship to be sent to EATA secretary. Silent auction funds purposes will be developed for future distribution. Suggest to structure sponsorship to advertise on the website with a potential registration process for sponsorships. Software solutions for non-profits and interface with conference participants in silent auctions. Participants must be onsite. Currently investigating costs. Free versions allow approximately 20 items. We are a 503C6 non-profit organization. Discussion to generate a Foundation. Would like to incorporate those who are not bidding on high ticket items. Autograph items are out of the range of many individuals. Request for a line item of \$200.00 for themed baskets for future smaller silent auction items. Discussion for June meeting.

Honor and Awards: Joe Iezzi

No report

Info Center: Deanna Errico

No report

History and Archives: Jeff Stone

Motion to accept report D2D second D1D

Storage of EATA documents at Bridgewater State. Deed of Gift of EATA History and Archives. There is a climate control area available for storage of EATA achieves. Jeff provided documentation of scholarships by district and school as started by Dave Tomasi. Mary and Jeff to work together to compile history of student delegation. Will work with Linda Levy to coordinate history of quiz bowl contestants.

Motion to approve History and Archives report 11-0-0

Moyer Award: George O'Neil

Strong candidates from previous years. Dr. Rob Franks is the award winner for this year. If there is a carry-over from one year to the next, there needs to be a re-nomination.

Webmaster/Technology Committee: Mike Goldenberg D2D motion to accept

Technology report, D1D second

Content management system will be reviewed. System used for 15 years has been bought out. Currently seeking content management provider.

EBP programming. Scanners not scanning appropriately for this year's programming. Options: Legal pads, membership # and name for those who attended, or honor code email to all participants. Inventory will be done and shared via googledoc. Open positions for district1 on this committee. Names are being discussed.

Motion to approve Technology report 11-0-0

NATAPAC Report: Mike Goldenberg

Event at EATA, Beer garden. Registered 146 for the event. Looking to make this an annual event

Scholarships: Neil Curtis

Same application regardless of the degree. Forms will be revised when transition to all masters. Nov 1 deadline for applications. Decisions made prior to registration. Meetings are all electronic and work well. Currently 5 members, and looking to add younger members. Can do all application online with the exception of transcripts. Make an auto fill form

Charge: online application for autofill to be reviewed at June meeting.

Nominations: Barbara Hemphill

Need election for president elect and treasurer. Vetting for all nominations, D1, D2 for state credentials.

Motion: (D1D) Motion that appropriate state credentials be required for all nominees.

These credentials must be added to the policies and procedures. D2D second

Vote: 11:0:0- Passed

Guest: Jim Thorton

AMIC: coverage discussion review. Statement with NCAA and NATA, what is appropriate for staffing and implementing best practices in a Sports Medicine program. (College and University committee will be a part of this work group) Board approved investigation and development of AT Care which is a district based committee which is responsible for helping Athletic trainers who have suffered some form of a loss. Structure is currently being developed and brought to the NATA board.

Research – Margie King

Abstracts over 71 submissions total, serving all population. 75% acceptance rate. There are electronic bulletin boards this year. There are 4 stations test piloting. Concerned if BAV can provide that type of service at future conferences. Free communications between taping contest and quiz bowl. Grants submitted are a 2 tier review cycle with a selection. Grant award winner is selected and will present in 2017. Policies and procedures need to be updated. Committee review is currently taking place and will be complete this year. Subcommittee Chair – Jen McKeon 8 credits total offer throughout the weekend.

CEU Coordinator -Dave Marchetti

BOC application process has been changed. All programming needed to be approved. Category A similar to EBP application. We are assessing every session but can do a global assessment moving forward. Assessment will need to be complete post programming with a data analysis.

Motion: (D2D) CEU Coordinator works with the BOC Regulatory Committee and reports to the EATA President Elect and Registration chair. DS1 Second

Vote: 11:0:0- Passed

Motion: D2D Nominates Dave Marchetti to the position CEU Coordinator. D1T Second

Vote: 11:0:0

Quiz Bowl Linda Levy

D1T motion to accept quiz bowl report D1S Second

New members were approved 2 new members. Quiz bowl prepared for this evening.

District 1- 18 schools represented/District 2-19 school representatives

Motion to approve quiz bowl report 11:0:0

Guest: NATA Executive Director: David Saddler:

Themes from the NATA. Value: Other countries are hiring liaison between players and medical staff. (see press release from the Nationals) Re-educating populations of the value of AT. Push toward inter-professional education. New website launch will shortly occur. Targeted communication will be done throughout the year. Initial targeted communications will be done by settings.

Frank George Scholarship D1S motion to accept the Frank George Scholarship report, second D1D

Sue Guyer charged with reviewing rubrics for next year's selection process.

Vote to approve the Frank George Scholarship report 10:0:0

BOC: Denise Fandel

91 retention rate of current BOC provider programs: Extensions/ for BOC provider is due Feb 29 2016 for renewal. Expanded categories for CEU's.

New Business:

EATA Chair: Proposed term limits on Chair positions. Language change on expectations and of committee chairs. Guidelines on roles, responsibilities, on site expectations. and proper compensation at annual meeting. Equate expectations to the NATA expectations to ensure balance.

Charge: EATA Secretary will develop a rubric for EATA annual chair evaluation. June meeting discussion. EATA Secretary will also develop an annual contractual agreement to complete yearly to clarify expectations and chair commitments.

Motion (D2D) from 2016 on, all committee chairs must have the appropriate credentialing: NATA, BOC, NPI and state credentials. D2S Second

Vote: 11:0:0 Passed

EATA Award of Distinction Discussion-D1D and D2D

Forming a high honor of distinction within the EATA. District, 1,2 8 do not have a high award honor for district members.

The EATA to create and establish the '49 Club. The purpose would be to honor those AT's within the EATA who exemplify significant contributions to the EATA, District 1 and District 2 that enhance the profession.

Motion (D1D) that the EATA create the 49 club Second D2D

Vote: 11:0:0

Inaugural class could be all hall of famers in D1 and D2. Balance between each district moving forward. Discussions of financial impact of award winners in the future will be discussed. Consider committee.

Motion(D2D) that Dave Csillan and Sue Guyer become Committee Co-Chairs of the EATA 49 club. Second: D2D

Vote 9:0:2 -pass

Meeting adjourned: 5:08