

**Eastern Athletic Trainers' Association**  
**Executive Board – Awards/Scholarship Conference Call**  
**November 22, 2011**  
**7:30 pm**

EATA Executive Board Members: Bob Ward, Diane Sartanowicz, John Davis, Robb Rehberg, Jennifer Semle, Paul Ullucci, Joe Scott, Michael Goldenberg, Tanya Dargusch and Charlie Thompson Missing until last 15 minutes: Tim Weston Invited Guests: AJ Duffy (D2 Treasurer Elect), Sue Guyer (D1 Secretary Elect), Bob O'Malley (Exhibits)

- I. Call To Order by President Diane Sartanowicz at 7:34 pm
- II. Welcome to Sue Guyer and AJ Duffy. Congratulations to Tanya Dargusch for the re-election to a second term of District 2 Secretary. A big thank you for years of service, to outgoing officers: Charlie Thompson and Timothy Weston.
- III. Research Committee
  1. Grant Winner-"*Force Sense & Reactive Stiffening in Patients with Unstable Ankles and Copers*"- presented by Alan Needle. Presenting at this Year's EATA.  
Next Year's Winner is Erik Swartz  
Research to Reality –A letter of written proof of data collection has not been given to the EATA Treasurer at this time. Letter dated Dec. 29, 2010 from, then EATA Treasurer, John Furtado, sent to and signed by Alan Needle, on the parameters of completion of data and cutting a check for the said percentage portion. Robb has not received any information of data completion to this date.  
**Charge: Diane Sartanowicz to double check with Marjorie King on Alan Needle's progress with his data collection completion so he can receive his second payment.**  
CT- The P&P - 50% immediate 25% at mid-year after completion of data collection (necessary - prior to \$ given) and 25% at annual meeting. CT has contract University of Delaware signed it as well. Ryan Tierney is in charge of Research Grant.
  2. Research to Reality-"*ACL Injury Prevention*"-presented by Darin Padua
  3. Scholarship Winners (Committee Chair - Neil Curtis) committee is still working on the winners. Deadline - beginning of December. Do we need to make some deadline changes – to the P&P?
  4. Free Communications Winners - Paul Geisler – Undergraduate: Jason Polakowski D1 Southern Connecticut State and Graduate: Richard Boergers D2 Seton Hall.  
CT – P&P issue – stream-line the order of Committees. Convolutated information right now. Think about this for January's meeting.  
DS – needs more clarification on these items in the P&P. Keep open for discussion and tie up any loop holes for deadlines. Finalize in January.  
Discussion: make sure that the winners are actually 1. In their respective districts and 2. That they are in "good standing"- NATA members.
- III. Award Winners

1. MBM/Henry-Schein Award (Committee Chair - Joe Camillone)-Amy Blansfield, Polytech High School(D2)
2. Cramer Award (Committee Chair - Joe Camillone) - Jeff Stone, Suffolk University(D1)  
Diane asked Joe to use an online nomination system this year on the "District Wires". Only had 2 nominees and had to solicit more nominations. Both their status is current/up to date. We need more "e wires" for next year instead of just one.
3. Moyer Award (Committee Chair - George O'Neil)-Dr. Robert Waskowitz, CCSU(D1) Diane - Commends George O'Neil and his committee for going through the correct, proper process in picking the best person for this particular award with all of the nominees. Everyone knew their job responsibilities. His father won this award and third generation team physician.
4. Presidential Award (President - Diane Sartanowicz)

FYI – General guidelines - Always has been "behind the scenes" to aid our profession. BW- Can we "table" further discussion of possible company nominations for this award in our January meeting. CT- ask those companies to stand up and be recognized at the banquet. TD-can we recognize the long time, 25 year sponsors. DS-look outside our group or committee. CT-it's usually the behind the scenes person that helps out.

Motion: Robb Rehberg motions to nominate Matt Gerken for Presidential Award

Second: Charlie Thompson

Motion: Mike Goldenberg motions to nominate Tom Kaminski for Presidential Award

Second: Bob Ward

Motion: Diane Sartanowicz nominates Steven Straub

Second: Bob Ward

Discussions on each candidate.

Vote: Tom Kaminski winner

5. Frank George Award (Past President - Bob Ward)

Had 6 total applicants and the committee has narrowed it down to 3 nominees.

Discussion

Vote: Cattano wins

Past President notifies the winner.

NOTE: Agenda - put on January agenda to see how we need to improve the tool.

#### IV. Committee Reports

No written report. Diane will highlight.

- A. Site Selection- 2015 signed contracts. Now looking at 2016 – back in District 1. Only 2 came back with the Copley Marriott and Sheraton (both are Starwood properties). Jan 5<sup>th</sup> committee is taking a tour. F&B issues are creating unbelievable problems. CT- if F&B becomes more of an issue, we may have to bring in the other groups to add to the totals.
- B. Sponsorship-Mark Bramble sent Diane an email. Rejection is all he is getting when speaking with companies. He feels that new ideas need to come and another committee needs to be formed. MG-Bob O'Malley has just found a sponsor for the CD.

Discussion: PU-NATA is having difficulties as well in this committee. BW-is there anyone out there or do we know anyone that would like to chair this committee?

- C. Registration – Trying something new—for banquet – a ticket printed for the entrance into the banquet to assist for the count of the number of plates. In “District Wires” that a ticket is required. JD – 72 hour notice in advance. DS-we know the faults but we need to get an accurate count. Tweak the system as we go. BW-should we have a sign at registration to help with this – YES (DS). MG-email blast needed closer to deadline to BOLDLY inform at registration. CT-Laurie “here is your banquet ticket” or “you did not register to the banquet”.
- V. Secretary’s Report (Jen Semle)
1. Approval of June 2011 Minutes  
Motion: Tanya motion to approve the June 20, 2011 Minutes  
Second: Charlie Thompson  
Vote: Unanimous
  2. Directory – update/changes – working on changes now...filtering out old/new info.
- VI. Program Update (John Davis)
- Speakers have been contacted and are up to date. We are still in discussion about the banquet. Student Delegation Breakfast <\$15,000. BW is pleased to see that JD is under budget on a number of categories. Parking—only 3 oversized vehicles for the whole hotel population. VANS – may have to park at Prudential Center.
- Wings eating contest – hotel cost for the wings is rather significantly higher. John is trying to put together the contest in the bar downstairs - after the Quiz Bowl
- PU- I have a serious problem with the Student Program not having a single speaker in this program from District 1. I will contact each state regarding this issue tomorrow.
- VII. Exhibits (Bob O’Malley)
- We have 33 booths for \$15,100: Down by 17 currently. Looks like we are on pace but money is not in our pocket. We are down \$5000 from 2 years ago. There is time left and a number of companies have not followed through yet. Companies are being very careful. Economy has a good deal to do with this. Exhibit area – we switched to Essex Room this year which is smaller than what we originally planned. Otherwise, it is running smoothly. OPTP, SMC – talked about possibly adding registration materials for bags but haven’t made a decision. Research – haven’t heard about how many are needed. JD-20 boards that can be used on both sides. \$70/each (little less than Philly). Each booth costs \$90 from Brede. JD-needs email conversation with Brede/Bob O about switches made. Aisle signs /entrance signs etc. DS-have signs from last 2 years. First \$500 for signs are comp. after that \$70 minimum for easel sized sign. Delivery Date: Early Friday works best.
- VIII. Treasurer’s Report (Robb Rehberg)
- Motion: Bob Ward motions to approve the Treasurers report  
Second: Michael Goldenberg  
Vote: Unanimous
- IX. Old Business
1. Policy & Procedure Manual updates and revisions (Charlie Thompson)

Secretary/President Elect – AV issues of who handles what/when – table until Jan.

Comp Lists – look at the numbers so we are not missing anything.

Current Draft – vote on it in January 2012. Date each section as we change it.

X. New Business

2. Tom Gocke, ATC - education website proposal. Like to present to the board his online services at no cost to us. Geared toward P.A.'s Annual membership for CEU educational material. Wants to gather information from us to see what may/may not work. Have him put something together and we will table this until January's meeting. AJ Duffy will help with this.
3. Executive Board travel-communication with Bob Ward. Communicate with Bob each of your arrival and departure dates. Jim Thornton – (upgrade) cost for his room? Marge Albolm and Eve Becker-Doyle are coming – upgraded room. MG-check with NATA to see what they are covering.
4. Board dinner Thursday, January 5th at Turner Fisheries in the Westin Hotel – 7 pm. 3pm Pre-conference meeting – JD, RR, DS
5. Quiz Bowl – Foundation has asked to be involved in some way. PU-mentioned at the NATA annual meeting. Make decision – what's best approach to the student program. Promote The Foundation and the NATAPAC. Send request to Student Delegation – fit in a talk from the Foundation. Need 2-3 minutes in length to speak. Why they are important to their future.

Charge: Michael Goldenberg to speak with Mary and Student Delegation and put the ball in their court, so John Davis is not the middle man.

PU- give Student Delegation a directive to give the Foundation and NATAPAC a few minutes of visibility to explain what they do and what they support. MG-It's all about recognition and familiarity with what these 2 organizations do.

Motion: Paul Ullucci motions that Michael Goldenberg, on behalf of President – Elect, John Davis, contact Mary and the Student Delegation a directive to give 2 speakers, the Foundation and the NATAPAC, no more than 5 minutes, the importance of both of their programs.

Second: Jen Semle

Discussion

Vote: 9 yes, 1 nay, 1 abstain

Motion carried

6. Schedule format - Monday – 3 hours  
We are hard pressed to get 20 people to stay for last day.  
Maybe we can do a survey – are they in favor of a Monday format?  
Historically, we offer 2-3 hours of education but a very few individuals stay.  
PU-can we do this? That it doesn't negatively affect our bottom line on our # of CEUs etc? Where else are we going to fit in 3-4 CE's to make up the difference?  
Agenda – worthy to bring up for 2013 - due to contracts out and set already. TD-not a good idea to bring this to attention. CT-not really for the survey. Was a Sun, Mon, Tues meeting in the past. Cost analysis needs to be done first.  
Further discussions needed in future.

Motion: Diane Sartanowicz motions to adjourn 10:17pm

