

January 18, 2008

MAATA District Council Conference Call Minutes

**Members in Attendance:** Charles Rozanski; District Director, Martin Baker; Secretary/Treasurer, Robert Cable; West Virginia, Razz Razayeski; South Carolina, Sue Raedeke; NATA News Liaison, Thad Moore; Maryland, Mark White; North Carolina, Mike Hanley; Treasurer Elect, Jill Manners; Faculty Representative to the Student Senate, Rod Walters; Past District Director, Meg Thompson; Virginia, Brent Arnold; Symposium Program Director.

Charles Rozanski

- BOD Meeting Summary
  - The membership composition of the NATA is changing. Average member is under 35 years old. In addition the NATA has experienced a decrease in membership for the first time in its existence. These changes have resulted in the leadership of the NATA to reflect on how to best serve the membership and facilitate a desire amongst this new membership group with different expectations of an association to continue to want to be a part of the NATA. Towards this end the NATA leadership has hired a consultant to advise the association how to better serve its membership. Some changes are as follows:
    - Membership on committees will now be a one year term.
    - BOD terms will decrease to 2 years.
    - Committee chairs will have a 2 year term with one time reassignment.
    - The board will undertake a comprehensive review of the formatting of committees which will result in significant changes to the structure of these assignments.
    - The NATA's attorney is looking into how best to make these changes consistent with the constitution and by-laws of the NATA.
  - It is anticipated that these changes will have the following effects on the district:
    - A need to review and likely makes changes to our constitution and by-laws to reflect changes at the national level.
    - Review the current format of the election process of the secretary to best dovetail with the changes at the national level.
    - Discussion of these details followed among the present group.
- Director Rozanski asked Rod Walters to oversee and coordinate the changes and their effect on the district.
- Other marketing changes include:
  - A re-designed national logo.
  - Revision of the NATA web site.
- The NATA has established a Young Professionals Committee will be chaired Kim Detwiler
  - The district has nominated Mattie Bosek from Liberty University to serve on this committee and is awaiting approval by the national BOD.
- The national office is working with the developers of CPT codes and discovered that there was an indirect tie with the APTA which was hampering the efforts to include our profession.

#### Jill Manners

- Announced the student senate has a full complement of student senators.
- This group is working on constitution and by-laws and development of the student program at the MAATA symposium in May.
- Described the process of seating a student member of the senate:
  - A student's interest is determined followed by contacting of the student's program director to assist in determining the quality of the student.
  - The nominee is brought forward to the state president who has the option to agree or oppose the nominee.
- Jill Manners expressed thanks to Megan Whittler for her assistance in this project.

#### Martin Baker

- Asked the state presidents forward names and contact information for state treasurers to ensure the proper distribution of dues.

#### Brent Arnold

- The program of the symposium is progressing well. Tentative program and symposium schedule is already on the web site.

#### State Presidents

- Maryland:
  - Discussed the progress of their bill.
- West Virginia:
  - A bill will be review by the state legislature April 12<sup>th</sup>.
- South Carolina:
  - Announced that the state will host a barbecue for state legislators.
- Virginia:
  - Had recent state meeting that was well attended.
  - Asked the group for experience in budgeting and expenditures of state finances as well as experience with working with a meeting planner. No experience within the group on these subjects was offered.

Next Call March 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am