



**District Council Conference Call Minutes**  
**December 13, 2023**  
**9:30am**

**I. Call to Order**

- President Cole called the meeting to order at approximately 9:32am

**II. Roll Call:**

- **Members Present:**
  - Steve Cole – District President
  - Ray Davis – District Director
  - Scott Cook – District Vice President
  - Erin Cash – District Secretary
  - Mat Lyden – District Treasurer
  - Shannon Fooks – President, DCATA
  - Jean Perez – President, MATA
  - Nina Walker – President, NCATA
  - Amy Hand – President, SCATA
  - Danny Carroll – President, VATA
  - Tom Belmaggio – President, WVATA
- **Guests Present:**
  - Marty Sataloff – District Parliamentarian
  - Matt Gage – District President-Elect
  - Katie Walsh Flanagan – Past District Director
  - Mike Kotelnicki – President-Elect, VATA
  - Emily Hildebrand – Student Senate Faculty Advisor
  - Ed Strapp – Chair – Governmental Affairs
  - Xavion Santiago – Chair – Ethnic & Diversity
  - Marty Baker – NATA Foundation
- **Members Absent:**
  - None

**III. District Secretary – Erin Cash**

- a. Approval of minutes of previous District Council Meeting – (11/15/2023)
  - a. Motion to approve – Scott Cook
    - 1. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ray Davis
    - 2. No Discussion
  - b. Passed – 11-0-0

**IV. MAATA Ethnic & Diversity Committee – Xavion Santiago**

- a. January 2<sup>nd</sup> award nominations are going out. Possibly a second award, will discuss at joint committee virtual meeting in January
- b. Redid the talk for state leadership about what EDAC is and how you can help students, districts, and states. Hoping to redo D3 in March during Athletic Training Month
- c. NATA working on a website to find a diverse speaker. Can search by specialty and will be a great resource

- d. Articulation Agreement for HBCU students to grad school
  - a. The hope is to connect HBCU students to ATC's and start a pipeline into grad schools
  - b. SC, VA and MD have reps
  - c. Morgan State Internship has been established at Towson, hoping for more to finalize
- e. Day of Service during NATA
  - a. NFL Play 60 is in the works, big Sports Medicine Day
  - b. Depending on NFL vs NATA, may bring students in from Baton Rouge as well

**V. MAATA Governmental Affairs Committee – Ed Strapp**

- a. NATA has a new chairman, transitioning now
- b. Continuing virtual education sessions
- c. SC did a boot camp which is great, hoping more states take advantage. There are 2 versions of the boot camp so can take the second once the first is completed
  - a. Work with states that are close to you to cut cost is possible.
- d. New committee members on board, excited to join
- e. DC as of Dec 31<sup>st</sup> everyone must be licensed
- f. MD has been following a sport safety bill and hope to revive it along with a Healthcare Provider State Recognition
- g. SC is looking to get legislatures on the field, inviting them to different athletic training facilities to let them get a hands on feel for what we do and what a day is like and what some of our obstacles are
- h. Send Ed anything to share on social media
- i. Initial report is delayed but being worked on for the winter

**VI. NATA Foundation – Marty Baker**

- a. Discussed the D3 Research and Grants proposal and how the NATA Foundation may be an option
- b. As of now, D3 has \$5,000 budget line for Research and Grants. The Committee would like to get donations to increase this pool of money
- c. Hoping there could be a tax break for those that donate. D3 Research and Grants committee solely in charge of award winners
- d. Once someone donates, that money has to be used for the designated donation and cannot be rolled over or saved. If members don't sign up to donate for multiple years, there won't be continuity in the award amount
- e. NATA Foundation does this every day, discussed a possible endowment. If it goes through NATA Foundation, D3 R&G committee would NOT be part of the decision-making process
- f. At this point, key members will talk and discuss the best course of action, bringing their discussions back to the DC at a later date

**VII. District Director – Ray Davis**

- a. Membership dues
- b. CEUs in
- c. Donations for 2023 Calendar Year
- d. NATA salary survey results upcoming

**VIII. District Secretary – Erin Cash**

- a. Please Send Me Your Agenda Items Before, During or After the Zoom
- b. National membership at a glance
- c. District membership at a glance
- d. Website activity at a glance
- e. Publication Dates
  - a. Discussed, Erin will send out tentative schedule for any comments
- f. BOC Certified Lapsed vs Non Renewed
  - a. In Dropbox as one Excel File, Tabs on the bottom to differentiate
  - b. Lapsed - list of BOC certified nonmembers – either a previous member who didn't renew in the past or has never been a member
  - c. Non Renewed – list of BOC certified members who have not renewed for the upcoming year
- g. Newsletter Due Date – TBD
- h. Monthly E-Blast Due Dates – Please keep short and sweet – TBD

**IX. District Vice-President – Scott Cook**

- a. 2024 Meeting
  - a. Registration opens January 15, 2024
  - b. Submissions for presentations deadline was December 8<sup>th</sup>
  - c. Meeting Date May 17-19, 2024 Founders Inn, Virginia Beach

- b. 2025 Meeting
  - a. Contract Signed with Founders Inn
  - b. May 2-4, 2025
- c. Future Meetings
  - a. Matt Gage is heading up the Task Force to review Annual Meeting with goals of increasing attendance and making financially solvent

**X. District Treasurer – Mat Lyden**

- a. 2023 Annual Meeting Financial Report
- b. Review and Approval of 2024 Budget
  - a. Motion to approve – Ray Davis
    - 1. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Nina Walker
    - 2. No Discussion
  - b. Passed – 11-0-0

**XI. District President-Elect – Matt Gage**

- a. Annual Meeting Task Force Update
  - a. Kassy Mosley will be joining the Task Force for a much needed YP perspective
  - b. The group will start meeting in January, updates to follow

**XII. District President – Steve Cole**

- a. Research & Grants Committee Fund Solicitation Proposal
- b. Upcoming DC Meeting dates will be sent out
- c. Friday May 17<sup>th</sup> at 10am will be in person DC Meeting at MAATA Annual Meeting

**XIII. Student Senate/Student Education Program – Emily Hildebrand**

- a. The Senate just met, biggest push right now is disseminating scholarship information to students
  - a. Not eligible if not an NATA member

**XIV. State Presidents Reports:**

- a. *District of Columbia* – Shannon Fooks
  - a. If you are covering 1 event in DC, a temporary license is ok but if it's multiple, you will need to apply for licensure
  - b. DC ATCs are running out of time as their licensure paperwork is due in about 16 days. Shannon has been fielding lots of questions
  - c. Working on Winter CE Event, subjects that ATCs said they would be interested in are:
    - 1. Joint dislocations
    - 2. Emergency response
    - 3. Mental health resources
    - 4. Cupping
    - 5. Manual therapy
  - d. Tentatively picked a date for Honors and Awards the second week of June, they are deciding how to host the event.
  - e. Trying to get a space to host a happy hour in New Orleans for DC ATCs and the different leagues that we participate in. In the DMV, they all play the same teams so it would be great for everyone to meet in person.
- b. *Maryland* – Jean Perez
  - a. Save the Date for the Annual MATA Business Meeting and Symposium May 31-June 1, 2024
    - 1. Location TBD, likely Towson University
    - 2. Call for proposals coming soon
  - b. Advocacy Day in Maryland January 11, 2024 in Annapolis. Anticipating no legislation this year
  - c. MD Stakeholders are meeting to retain ATC's
  - d. Integrating new Student Senator Kelsey into meetings and introducing her to YP early
- c. *North Carolina* – Nina Walker
  - a. Had they big in person meeting and included students and the YP group
  - b. 50<sup>th</sup> coming up!
    - 1. HOF rings ordered for everyone
    - 2. Please come if you can!

- d. *Virginia* – Danny Carroll
  - a. Finalizing VATA Annual Meeting
  - b. Congrats to all award winners
  - c. Secured a delegate to carry our legislation
    - 1. Hoping for one minor change to Practice Act regarding inpatient and outpatient facility language
  - d. Mike will be taking over at VATA, so this is Danny's last DC meeting
    - 1. Thank you for all your hard work Danny!

**XV. Adjournment of meeting**

- a. Motion to adjourn meeting – Nina Walker
  - a. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Jean Perez
  - b. Approved 11-0-0
  - c. Meeting was adjourned 11:11am