

**District Council Conference Call Minutes**

**May 5, 2020**

**2:00pm**

1. **Call to Order**
	* Director Flanagan called the meeting to order at approximately 2:04pm.
2. **Roll Call:**
	* **Members Present:**
		+ Katie Walsh Flanagan – District Director
		+ Jason Mitchell – District Secretary
		+ Ray Davis – District Treasurer
		+ Patricia Aronson – Past District Director
		+ Michael Walker – President, DCATA
		+ Wes Robinson – President, MATA
		+ Jim Bazluki – President, NCATA
		+ Brad Drake – President, SCATA
		+ Danny Carroll – President-Elect, VATA
		+ Jenni Johnson – President, WVATA
	* **Guests Present:**
		+ Marty Sataloff –District Parliamentarian
		+ Jay Sedory – District Treasurer-Elect
	* **Members Absent:**
		+ Chris Jones – President, VATA
3. **NATA updates – Director Flanagan**
	1. Annual Meeting in Atlanta has been cancelled
		1. Plan moving forward for virtual options
		2. BOD planning for accommodations for Honors & Awards recipients
	2. Discussed upcoming ATs Care Call-In Events, which Secretary will share more later on.
4. **Virtual Annual Business Meeting & Online CE opportunities – Director Flanagan**
	1. Director Flanagan discussed process for membership to gain access to upcoming virtual offerings
	2. Membership will be emailed a link Monday May 11 to register for free event
		1. Includes Annual Business meeting at 1.5 EBP education session
	3. Online at-home educational sessions will be opened Monday May 18, for all NATA members to purchase a-la-carte.
		1. Registration available for 3 weeks, allowing members 4 weeks for completion
		2. Up to 12 CEUs available
	4. Director Flanagan discussed the process to present the proposed Constitution & By-Laws amendments to the membership
		1. Proposed Constitution amendments have be presented online in accordance to the current Constitution/By-Laws
		2. Director Flanagan will post Friday May 15, her presentation of the proposed By-Laws amendments, as directed by the current Constitution/By-Laws
		3. Motion to approve the Virtual meeting format – Secretary Mitchell
			1. 2nd – Danny Carroll
			2. No discussion
			3. Passed – 9-0-0
	5. Director Flanagan discussed that voting with take place in 2 different formats
		1. Business meeting will be held virtually via Zoom webinar from Saturday, May 16th @ 12:30pm to Monday, May 18th @ 11:59PM
		2. During the Virtual Business Meeting, the proposed Constitution amendments will need a motion, a second, and will hold discussion via the Zoom chat function for 10 minutes. Afterwards the members will have the opportunity to vote via a Zoom poll
			1. Motion to dates/times for Business meeting and format for live voting for proposed Constitution amendments – Brad Drake
				1. 2nd – Mike Walker
				2. No discussion
				3. Passed – 9-0-0
		3. If Constitution amendments are approved, then the By-Laws amendments will be presented, and will need a motion, a second, and will hold discussion via the Zoom chat function for 10 minutes. Afterwards, voting for the proposed amendments will take place via a closed online survey.
			1. Motion to approve the extended dates/times for Business meeting to accommodate membership voting for proposed By-Laws amendments via online survey – Jenni Johnson
				1. 2nd – Jim Bazluki
				2. No discussion
				3. Passed – 9-0-0
	6. Applauded all members of the Annual Planning committee for their tireless efforts in getting these resources to our members!
5. **Secretary Updates – Secretary Mitchell**
	1. Seek approval of minutes of District Council Meeting – Conference Call (04/06/2020) – Secretary Mitchell
		1. Motion to approve – Danny Carroll
			1. 2nd – Mike Walker
			2. No discussion
			3. Passed – 9-0-0
	2. Discussed ATs Care Call-In Events. Secretary Mitchell will be sending State Presidents event information to send to their PR departments to send out to the membership.
6. **Miscellaneous Announcements/Comments**
	1. Discussed scheduling of District Council meeting to approve Secretary’s & Treasurer’s reports prior to the Annual Business meeting
		1. Executive Council meeting scheduled Thursday, May 14 @ 1pm EST
		2. District Council meeting scheduled Thursday, May 14 @ 2pm EST
7. **State Updates**
	1. **District of Columbia**
		1. Met with Board of Medicine last week, proposed amendments weren’t implemented as desired.
			1. Coming up with new strategies to get amendments to read how DC wants them to look.
	2. **Maryland**
		1. Public schools officially closed until May 15, but this is anticipated to be extended
		2. Ed Strapp did great work for MD with an article in the Baltimore Sun last week
		3. Working on details to moving their State Annual Meeting to a virtual platform
	3. **North Carolina – Jim Bazluki**
		1. Discussed current lifts of stay at home orders,
		2. Discussed AT who have been furloughed, along with AT reassignments/redeployments
	4. **South Carolina – Brad Drake**
		1. State Annual Meeting is schedule in July
			1. Making contingency plans if in-person meeting needs to be cancelled
		2. SC reduced some restrictions of the stay at home order yesterday, so some progress is showing
	5. **Virginia – Danny Carroll**
		1. VA announced yesterday possibility of opening up some non-essential business to the public as soon as next Friday (May 15)
		2. In initial planning of next year’s State Annual Meeting
	6. **West Virginia – Jenni Johnson**
		1. Starting Phase II of state reopening, including reopening of non-essential businesses
		2. Hoping to start Phase III next week
			1. Should help furloughed AT with the reopening of therapy clinics
		3. Working to ensure inclusion of an AT on the state task-force for reopening of public schools.
8. **Final Announcements/Comments**
	1. Past Director Aronson discussed potential upcoming elections schedule for District President & Vice-President
9. **Director Flanagan adjourned the meeting at 2:54pm.**
	1. Motion to adjourn meeting – Brad Drake
	2. 2nd – Danny Carroll