



**DISTRICT 3 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 19, 2017
VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA**

I. Business Meeting was called to order by Director Aronson at 11:35am.

II. Roll Call – Secretary Berry

District Council Members Present:

Patricia Aronson, ATC – District Director
James Berry, ATC – District Secretary
Ray Davis, ATC – District Treasurer
Martin Baker, ATC – Past District Director
Jennifer Rheeling, ATC – DCATA President
Nick Pitruzzella, ATC – MATA
Sheila Gordon, ATC – SCATA
Matt Gage, ATC – VATA President
Drew Mason, ATC – WVATA President

Guests Present:

Katie Flanagan, District Director-Elect
Lori Bristow, District Secretary-Elect
Jason Mitchell, Meeting Planner
Emily Hildebrand, Student Senate Advisor
Marty Sataloff, Parliamentarian
Jim Bazluki, NCATA Representative
Kim Pritchard, Education Program
Sean Dash – DC President-Elect
Jeremy Searson – SCATA Secretary
Allison Mitchell – Student Senate President
Brittany Price – Incoming Student Senate Pres

District Council Members Absent:

Scott Barringer, ATC – NCATA President

III. Three committee reports

- a. Jason Mitchell provided a report to the Council on the status of the Annual meeting enrollment, and other pertinent info regarding the District meeting.
- b. Emily Hildebrand reported on the activities of the Student Senate. They are still seeking student representatives for a few states and would like the assistance of the state association in identifying candidates.
- c. Allison Mitchell reported on the Student Senate service project. The funds raised this year will go to the MAATA Secondary School Committee.

- d. Lori Bristow offered a brief update on the Meeting Program. Two pre-conference programs, one an EBP and the other a Category A. Lori also reported that all 7 EBPs within the conference have been approved.

IV. Presentation from the NATA Research and Education Foundation - Shelley Tims

- a. Ms. Tims provided an overview of the activities of the NATA Foundation and the impacts of the Foundation for District 3.
- b. 6 Scholarships of 64 awarded to D3 individuals and 1 writing award.
- c. District 3 has over 500 members who are "AT Loyal" meaning they have given a contribution to the Foundation over the past 5 years.

V. Approval of the October 2016 District Council Meeting Minutes (Conference Call)

- a. Motion to approve by District of Columbia. Second by South Carolina.
- b. Minutes accepted unanimously.

VI. MAATA Symposium and Business Meeting 2017 - Director Aronson

- a. Director Aronson reviewed the plan for conducting our annual business meeting as it pertained to the Constitution and By Law changes proposed.
 - i. North Carolina asked a question regarding whether or not a District officer could still be a state officer IF they designated someone to represent the state on District level business. The answer was no due to conflict of interest issues.
 - ii. North Carolina asked for clarification about how the Executive Council would choose an interim officer if there was no candidate. Director Aronson explained the process.
 - iii. Virginia asked how the Executive Council would identify potential candidates. Director Aronson explained that the EC would seek out candidates and also that the EC would seek input from the State Presidents regarding identifying potential candidates for the position.

VII. Report of the Secretary – Secretary Berry

- a. Secretary Berry offered a summary of the current membership within the district.

VIII. Report of the Treasurer – Treasurer Davis

- a. Treasurer Davis offered a summary of the current financial status of the district and an overview of the proposed budget for 2017-18.

- b. Treasurer Davis provided an overview of the meeting site selection process and membership voting for those sites.
- c. The Council discussed potential changes to the site selection process, but no action was taken at this time.

IX. Election 2017 – Director Aronson

- a. Director Aronson noted that there will be election this fall for Treasurer.

X. Policies and Procedures - Director Aronson

- a. Director Aronson reported that Erica Zimmerman continues to work on the manual, but there are parts that are not yet finalized.

XI. Closing the loop on PR - Communication between the states and MAATA and NATA – Director Aronson

- a. Director Aronson discussed how we are communicating various information regarding the following areas....
 - i. Safe Sports School Awards
 - 1. District Director receives notice from the NATA; District Director will forward info to the District Secretary, State Presidents, etc. so ATs can be recognized.
 - ii. ATs Care
 - 1. District Director receives notice, shares info with State Presidents.
 - iii. NATA News
 - 1. Director Aronson encouraged the state presidents to make sure that they are sending info to District PR Committee Rep as well as submitting info themselves to the NATA News.
 - iv. Social media
 - 1. Director Aronson encouraged the continued use of our various social media platforms to get information to and from our membership.
 - v. Dropbox access
 - 1. The Council discussed the various methods we are using to communicate information via the Dropbox, etc.
 - 2. Secretary Berry suggested that we also inquire regarding establishing a NATA based Dropbox system and email addresses.

XII. History and Archives

- a. The Council discussed how the individual states are archiving district and state information. Each state, for the most part, has at least started the process of doing this.
- b. Director Aronson suggested that the states put out information seeking archival information, who would be interested in helping to collect information, etc.

XIII. NATA Foundation Celebration - D3 Table – Director Aronson

- a. District 2 has purchased a table at the NATA Foundation Wild West Casino Night on Wednesday June 28th at 7:30 in Houston.
- b. The following District 3 representatives have been invited:

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| 1. Jim Berry | 6. Nick Pitruzzella |
| 2. Scott Barringer | 7. Jennifer Rheeling |
| 3. Sheila Gordon | 8. Lori Bristow |
| 4. Ray Davis | 9. Destinee Grove |
| 5. Matt Gage | 10. Jill Manners |

XIV. NATA Update – Director Aronson

- a. Director Aronson provided an update on the following NATA related items...
 - i. ATLAS Project – DIII was the first district to be “mapped” (removing "black dots")
 - ii. NATA is now eliminating the “black dots” on each state map, to determine whether schools are mapped or not. We have all of our black dots removed in the district. The second step now is to get each AT at each school to complete the ATLAS survey for their school.
- b. Legislation – NATA Legislative Grants for 2018 will open July 1st
 - i. Director Aronson offered an update on this and encouraged state presidents to seek these grants if they would like or need one.

XV. Initiative and Activity Funding – Director Aronson

- a. Director Aronson asked the state presidents to consider assisting with funding for the following initiatives:
 - i. Quiz Bowl Teams coming to the District Meeting
 - 1. South Carolina asked what schools are doing to provide funding for teams to attend. Director-Elect Flanagan indicated that it was her opinion that schools should work on finding a way to fund these teams.
 - 2. Virginia also noted that they felt like it should fall upon the schools to fund this.

ii. NATA Leadership Academy - the old "Star Tracks"

1. Director Aronson explained how the district has funded this initiative in the past and how we are planning to fund now. Director Aronson asked states to look at how they may support those from their states who are participating in the Leadership Academy.
2. ATs Care
 - a. Director-Elect Flanagan reviewed the requirements and time commitment involved to receive this training. Currently it is about \$316. The training is spread out over a 5 year period before you are able to train other people.

XVI. State reports/Updates/Best Practices - State Presidents

- a. South Carolina reported that they are working on a number of initiatives with the High School League including CPR certification for all coaches, EAPs, etc. for secondary schools.
- b. District of Columbia reported on the political activities within DC and their governing health board, etc. Feels optimistic that DC is moving forward with AT regulation either under the Board of PT or the Board of Medicine, which is yet to be determined.
- c. West Virginia shared information regarding appointments to the WV PT Board, was able to get 3 PT/ATCs on the WV Board of PT with Governors help. Also shared other initiatives regarding coverage of other sports besides just football.
- d. Virginia reported regarding activities in their state. State meeting was cancelled due to winter storm. Elections had to be pushed back as a result, but they have been able to get caught up. Every leadership position is filled except one. SSAT committee is going to host a Sec School conference for SSATs in VA. They have a new governmental affairs chair who lives in Richmond and is doing good things building relationships in Richmond with state government officials. Working on developing a better working relationship with the VA HS Athletic Association. Two task forces currently studying state leadership set up. Second looking at Leadership Development within the state.
- e. North Carolina reported on their NCATA Leadership Institute. They will be sharing info about their program in Houston at the State Leadership meeting in June. Several legislative issues in NC over the past year that they have been working on. Elimination of AT licensure has currently been tabled for the present time. Reported on the bill that would've given parents the opportunity to clear their own kids. That bill was pulled. North Carolina ATA has an exhibit in the North Carolina History Museum in the sports section. They are hoping this will become a permanent exhibit and that they will also eventually host the NCATA Hall of Fame.
- f. District of Columbia asked if they could be included on state emails, communication, etc. so each state can be familiar with what other states are doing.

XVII. Goals for 2017-2018 – Director Aronson and Director-Elect Flanagan

- a. Director-Elect Flanagan shared her goals and plans for her tenure as District Director. Encouraged the state presidents to communicate whenever necessary.

XVIII. Adjournment

- a. South Carolina motion to adjourn the meeting. West Virginia seconded.
- b. Meeting adjourned at 3:03pm.