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## **President's Message: Chris Gillespie**

From the SEATA President.....

Hello all! I trust that each of you had a great holiday season. God has richly blessed all of us in so many ways and it's always great to take the time to remember just how much we are blessed during the holiday season.

We look forward to seeing all of you in Atlanta in March. J.C. and Carl have put together an outstanding program and we are working toward making this a very rewarding experience for you. Please continue to check the SEATA website for further updates.

On a personal note, I want to say thank you to all of you who have sent cards, emails, and letters. Thanks as well for all of your phone calls of support as I go through a very difficult time in my life. Please continue to remember us in your thoughts and prayers as I do each of you.

Best wishes for a great spring and please don't hesitate to call on me should you have any questions, comments, or complaints. I am here for you.

All my best,  
Chris A. Gillespie, MEd, ATC, LAT

## District Director's Message: Chuck Kimmel

Dear SEATA Member:

I hope you had a wonderful Holiday Season and with it came a chance to take some time away from athletic training and an opportunity to spend time with your family.

It is with a great deal of humility that I write you. I am grateful that since St. Louis, I had the distinct honor to be elected President of the NATA, with my term beginning this June in Baltimore. I realize that this would not have been possible without the support and votes of members of District 9 and, for that support I am eternally grateful. In the coming years, I will continue to work hard to represent you in the best possible way while not forgetting where I come from

With this news, however, there is a need to address the process that governs succession for SEATA officers. The By-Laws of SEATA contains the following language. In Article 6, Section 1, it reads, "The Director will represent SEATA, Inc. at all required NATA Board of Directors meetings. If he/she is absent, the Director will appoint a representative who meets the Director's NATA requirement." Needless to say, this does not address the situation that currently faces our District. Although, on or about June 17<sup>th</sup> of this year, I will no longer be in a position to represent District 9 as Director, it is my desire that the decision of who sits in this chair be spelled out more clearly and not left entirely up to the outgoing Director's discretion. I am not at all comfortable with the obvious power it places in the current Director's hands.

The By-Laws do not address any form of succession for any other officer, either. This could include not only the current situation, but also an officer leaving the profession, an officer moving out of the district, or in the untimely event of a death of an officer. If any of these circumstances did occur, it could leave an obvious void in leadership for our District on both the District and/or National levels. Since the Board of Directors meets monthly, either face to face or via conference call, it is imperative that we have a representative at each of these meetings.

Because of this, I have appointed Louisiana's President, **Ed Evans**, to chair a By-Laws committee who's sole purpose is to propose an amendment or amendments to the By-Laws that will address specifically the succession issues for all SEATA officers. The other Executive Committee members who volunteered to participate in this process are **Marisa Brunett** (Florida's President), **Greg Rose** (Kentucky's President), and **Nick Pappas** (Tennessee's President). They are to present their proposed amendment(s) to the Executive Committee of SEATA *no later* than the SEATA Executive Committee meeting on March 25<sup>th</sup>, in Atlanta. They may, when their work is concluded, make their presentation at any time prior to that deadline. As the By-Laws mandate, the amendment(s) must be passed by the Executive Committee prior to being presented to the membership for a mail vote.

I have also instructed each of the current officers, including myself, to refrain from participation in this process so as to allow the committee to work free from any influences of current SEATA officers who might have a conflict of interest. I would, however, encourage you to contact your state's President if you have any questions or concerns.

Although our Constitution and By-Laws are well written and have served us well, with the current situation, it has become evident that we must address an issue that could leave us in a position where we are not represented by the officers whom have been chosen by the general membership to serve SEATA. For more information, please refer to the minutes from the December conference call included in another part of this Newsletter.

It is with a great deal of appreciation that I must commend the SEATA Executive Committee for its swift and decisive action relating to this. I must also commend the other SEATA officers, Chris Gillespie (President), MaryBeth Horodyski (Treasurer), and Jim Mackie (Secretary) for their attention to this issue and willingness to set aside personal issues for what is in the best interest of the District. The Executive Committee, as well as your officers unanimously supported this proposal and, for that, I am grateful.

In the end, I have faith that first the Executive Committee, then you, the members, will adopt the changes that will best serve our membership for generations to come and that, at the end of the day, we will be represented at all times with the athletic trainers that will be most suitable for the offices they hold.

On to other news...

Student SEATA is coming in February and it is my hope that we will have another outstanding turnout of students from all over our District. Dr. **R. T. Floyd** and Dr. **Ray Castle** have worked hard to put together an outstanding program with a stellar faculty to help make our student's experience as enriching as possible. It is an additional honor to know that President **Julie Max** will be presenting our keynote address at Saturday's luncheon. We have been well served by President Max and she will make a presentation that our students will remember for years to come.

Plans for March's SEATA meeting are well under way. It is my hope that each of you will make every effort to attend this year's meeting. The program is, as always, top notch and our Executive Director, **Eve Becker-Doyle**, will be attending the meeting, which will add another layer of distinction to the weekend. You, too, can play a part by nominating deserving certified athletic trainers for the various awards to be presented at the meeting. It is my hope that we have a record number of nominees for our awards as well as for the scholarships that, too, will be presented in Atlanta.

For news on the national level, please refer to the *NATA News* as well as the listserves where the Board minutes are presented for your consideration.

As is always the case, it is an honor to serve you and I am grateful for the trust you have placed in me. It is a trust I do not take lightly. Never hesitate to call on me if I can be of any service to you or if you have concerns that are important to you. I hope to see you in Atlanta and then, again, in Baltimore this summer.

## **Secretary's Report: Jim Mackie**

### **Future Meetings:**

Student Workshop February 6-7, 2004, Crown Plaza Ravinia Hotel, Atlanta, GA.

Annual Clinical Symposium, March 25-28, 2004, Crown Plaza Ravinia Hotel, Atlanta, GA. Register on-line beginning in February 2004

Address Changes: Please make all address changes through the National Office. Go to [nata.org](http://nata.org) to make the change.

### **Upcoming Elections**

Call for Nominations for the office of SEATA Secretary will be accepted until the close of the Annual SEATA Members Meeting, March 27, 2004. Please submit nominations to MaryBeth Horodyski, SEATA Treasurer.

## **Treasurer's Report: Mary Beth Horodyski**

Please check [SEATA.ORG](http://SEATA.ORG) for the latest program and registration information regarding the Annual Student Workshop and the Annual Clinical Symposium

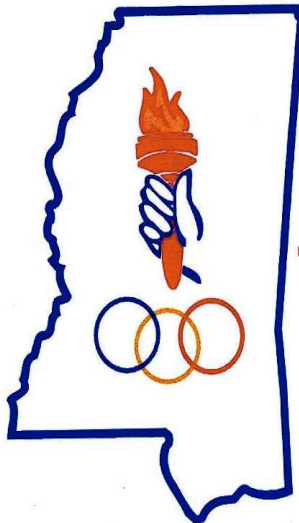
## **News for the Research & Education Foundation**

From R.T.Floyd: Congratulations!! Due to the outstanding work of District IX we have reached 167% of our goal for contributions in 2003. We have again won the Breakfast of Champions competition and will be recognized at our SEATA meeting in March 2004. Also, I want to express our appreciation to our members for your support of the \$5.00 dues increase in District IX to go toward the REF. This is truly outstanding and you are to be congratulated for your efforts.

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## **State Reports**

### **Alabama:**

Announcing the 2004 Annual meeting to be held May 20-23, at the Grand Casino in Gulfport, MS. We would like to invite all to come and visit us during this time. Room Reservations are to be made through the hotel with rates of \$79 weekday and \$99 weekend plus tax. Please make sure to mention they are attending the Alabama Athletic Trainers' Meeting so they get the reserved rates. Questions, contact Mike Jones at 205-975-9255.

### **Florida:**

Executive Board members elected that will began office 1/1/04

Glenda Hammons, ATC/L-Treasurer

Randy Oravetz, ATC/L-Panhandle Representative

Mary Walker, ATC/L- Northeastern Representative

Perry Revlett, ATC/L- Central Region Representative

Brian Anderson, ATC/L-Southern II Region Representative

Kristin Shcellhase, ATC/L at UCF as accepted the Chair position for the Women in AT Committee

Nikki Curski, ATC/L at USF has accepted the position as Newsletter Editor

New CE Tracking program established by the DOH on line. All licensed ATC/L's should have recieved an informational postcard in the mail in regards to this.

Stephanie Lennon, ATC/L HS committee Chair hosted the ATAF HS Athletic Training Student Workshop at UCF

Executive Board will be meeting in Orlando March 6th

Congratulations to FSU,USF and Miami on the recent accreditations of the Athletic Training Curriculum

### **Annual Clinical Symposium info:**

The dates for the ATAF meeting are April 16-18th. The Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs Number is (407) 830-1985 and the reservations cut-off date is March 23, 2004. Room Rate is \$69/night plus tax. Please be sure to tell the hotel that you are there for the ATAF symposium when calling to make reservations. Workshops will begin at 6pm on Friday night for HIV/AIDS update, CPR/AED, Emergency Procedures and Yoga. There will also be a LE cadaver lab that will be for the first 20 that sign up on Saturday as well as the CPR/AED, HIV/AIDS update and a Myofascial release workshop. There will again be a PAC Fundraiser/Social on Friday night with great prizes being raffled off.



## Georgia

I realize each one of you guys are busy trying to wrap up Fall/Winter Sports but I wanted to remind you of the awesome **2004 GATA Annual Meeting**. This year's program is building up to be one of the best in many years. Not only has Chuck Conner and the Education Comm. put together a super educational program but also there are many other reasons to attend this year's symposium. For example the **Inaugural Class of the GATA Hall of Fame** will be recognized on Friday night from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. @ the Wyndham Conference Center. I along with the GATA Executive Comm. encourage you to come out and show your support for these individuals who have laid the groundwork for ATC's in the state of Georgia.

Another highlight of these years meeting will be the fact that Eve Becker-Doyle Executive Director of the NATA will be attending our symposium. Eve is very excited to be attending the meeting and I hope that you as members will come out and take time to visit with Eve. It is truly an honor for the GATA to have Eve attending our meeting.

Also keep in mind that a CPR class will be offered on Friday afternoon before the CEU sessions starts. This is a great chance for you to get recertified for CPR and then head into the educational program. The cost for the CPR course is \$25.00 online registration is available at the [web site](#).

For information on dates/times/cost please continue reading this e-mail or visit the GATA website @ [www.athletictraining.org](http://www.athletictraining.org)

The GATA's 2004 Annual Meeting & Symposium will be held January 16th and 17th in Peachtree City, Georgia at the Wyndham Peachtree Hotel & Conference Center. The Wyndham's web site is: [www.wyndham.com/hotels/ATLPT/main.wnt](http://www.wyndham.com/hotels/ATLPT/main.wnt). A special room rate of \$69.00/ night has been secured for the meeting. On-line registration for the meeting is \$55.00 for everyone pre-registering except for students, which is \$22.50. To register on-line, go to [www.mollyguard.com/event/8570635](http://www.mollyguard.com/event/8570635). If you are unable to register on-line you can print a copy of the registration form from the GATA web site.

A CPR certification course will be offered on Friday the 16th from 2 pm to 4 pm. You can register for the CPR course on-line as well at [www.mollyguard.com/event/8571638](http://www.mollyguard.com/event/8571638).

Registration for the Annual Meeting will start at 4 pm with the educational program beginning at 5 pm. The GATA Hall of Fame induction ceremony will be held from 7 pm to 9 pm on the 16th and is sponsored by the Georgia State Games Commission. On Saturday the 17th, a continental breakfast will be offered from 7 am to 9 am with the first educational program beginning at 8:10 am. The annual meeting will wrap up at 5:45 pm on the 17th. A total of 8 CEUs can be earned through the educational programming of the Annual Meeting.

This year's theme is: "A Practical Approach To Therapeutic Application: Modalities, Manual, and Mechanical Therapy". Topics will include Therapeutic Ultrasound, Low Power Laser, Electrical Stimulation, Infrared Modalities, and Therapeutic Medications. There will also be a special topic discussing Georgia's high school Health Science and Technology Programs and it's impact on ATCs.

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THE WARREN MORRIS GOLF CLASSIC  
March 27, 2004  
During the SEATA Meeting

**Benefiting Georgia Athletic Trainers Association (GATA) Scholarships**

**Held during the 2004 SEATA Annual Meeting, Sat., March 27, 2004 – 2:00pm**

**What:** Shotgun Start, 4-person Scramble, and Golf Tournament

**Where:** Emerald Pointe Golf Club at Lake Lanier Islands Resort  
(Take I-985N to Exit 8 (Friendship Rd.), Turn Left off exit, Go 4 miles to  
Resort.) [www.lakelanierislands.com/frames\\_index.htm](http://www.lakelanierislands.com/frames_index.htm)

**Who:** Registrants, Guests, and Corporate Partners of SEATA/GATA Meeting

**Cost:** \$80.00 per person (includes lunch/dinner/goody bags/range balls)

\*Great prizes will be given for winners of tournament, longest drive, and closest to the pin

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## **Kentucky**

Announcing our upcoming state symposium on February 21st, 2004  
In Louisville, KY. Program and registration information will be available on our  
website: [kyats.com](http://kyats.com)

## **Mississippi**

Announcing that we had our annual meeting and conference in  
Biloxi, MS in January, with approximately 100 people in attendance.

## **Tennessee**

### TENNESSEE ATHLETIC TRAINERS SOCIETY

Nashville, TN - January 1, 2004: TATS president Nick Pappas announced that the annual meeting and symposium will remain a two-day program and move back to Lipscomb University in Nashville. It will take place on Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2004. Chair Marisa Colston and her committee have put together another great program.

Elections were held over the summer and the current officers Nick Pappas, Joe Erdeljac and Therese Span were re-elected as President, Vice-President and Treasurer respectively to a second term. In addition, Kelly Lumpkin was elected Secretary as the position of Secretary/Treasurer changed with the passage of our new Constitution and By-Laws last January.

Practice act issues continue to be one of several areas of major effort. Jane Steinberg, chair of the Ethics and Compliance Committee has been diligent in efforts to protect our profession and credentials. There are some issues being considered for legislative action in this regard. Good work by the Secondary School committee has increased cooperation with the TSSAA. Kevin Wolf has moved over to chair Public Relations with Scott Byrd taking over as Secondary School chair. Ty Butler with the Reimbursement Task Force asks the membership to help increase their feedback related to successes and failures so we can better understand where our areas of focus need to be.

The TATS website has grown and members are encouraged to visit often for communication related to athletic training in the State of Tennessee. Go to [www.tnata.org](http://www.tnata.org) to check it out !!!

Minutes of SEATA Executive Committee meeting in Executive Session  
Conference Call, Wednesday December 17, 2003

Meeting called into Executive Session by Chris Gillespie, President, SEATA at 10:02 AM (EST)

Roll call of those present:

SEATA President, Chris Gillespie

SEATA Secretary, Jim Mackie

SEATA Treasurer, Mary Beth Horodyski

SEATA District Director, Chuck Kimmell

Alabama: Brad Montgomery

Florida: Marisa Brunet

Georgia: Dana Cravey

Kentucky: Greg Rose

Louisiana: Ed Evans

Mississippi: Chad Barker, not present

Tennessee: Nick Pappas

Secretary Jim Mackie notes a quorum present

Chris Gillespie begins by welcoming and thanking everyone for being present and turns the meeting over to Chuck Kimmel for opening comments.

“Thank you Chris. I appreciate everyone making himself or herself available for this most important call to discuss the issues I bring to you today.

First, allow me some time to discuss how we got here. I have not gotten the sense that anyone is not comfortable with my run and subsequent election as President of the NATA. I have heard nothing but complementary things and am hopeful that SEATA will be able to enjoy the positives from my election while I tackle the negatives. With that said, I do not think I would have done anything differently.

During the election period, I refrained from looking at the By-Laws to see how they addressed succession because, quite frankly, I did not want to jinx my chances. I did, however, call Jim Mackie the day of the election results were made known to me to discuss the By-Laws and was shocked when I discovered what is contained in the document. On that call, on that evening, I realized that it was not adequately addressed and that we would need to do whatever was legal to provide for a reasonable succession for all our officers, not only Director.

In case you have not had an opportunity to review the By-Laws, allow me to quote from them the only reference to the Director being absent from NATA Board of Directors meetings. In Article 6, Section 1 of the By-Laws it reads, and I quote its entirety, “The Director will represent SEATA, Inc. at all required NATA Board of Directors meetings. If he/she is absent, the Director will appoint a representative who meets the Director’s NATA requirement. The Director will keep the President informed of any and all NATA business that may affect SEATA, Inc.” closed quotes.

The By-Laws have put this Director in a position that I am not at all comfortable with. I believe to my core that it places way too much power in my hands and, because of this, I have two items to discuss with you today.

First, in accordance with the current By-Laws, I am obligated to appoint someone to represent D9 in my absence, which will begin in Baltimore at the last Board session. I would appoint Chris Gillespie, as he is the highest ranking district-wide elected official eligible for appointment and he would serve in this capacity until a district-wide election is held for the Director's seat which could be at the end of the current term.

Secondly, I am directing Ed Evans, President of the Louisiana Athletic Trainers' Association, to chair a committee to clarify the By-Laws, suggest amendment(s), and present to the SEATA Executive Committee no later than the Executive Committee meeting in March in Atlanta, Georgia. The amendment(s) would then go to the general membership as outlined in the By-Laws. This committee is to consist of Executive Committee Members who volunteer to be members. With that said, if you desire to be on this committee, please state your name and your state at this time.”

At this time, Nick Pappas, Tennessee; Marisa Brunett, Florida; & Greg Rose, Kentucky volunteered to assist Ed Evans on this committee.

“Hearing no more names and for the record, I have consulted with the attorney for the NATA and he has agreed that this plan is both prudent and legal, that he sees no conflict with this plan and our governance documents, and that legally we are on solid ground proceeding as outlined above.

This committee should work in such a manner to address the issues that are before us today and be prepared to present to the Executive Committee for approval upon completion of their deliberations. The NATA Counsel has agreed to review the recommended amendment(s) with President Evans prior to presentation to the Executive Committee to establish legality and appropriateness.

I am hereby instructing the currently elected officers of SEATA to refrain from contacting the Chair and/or committee members until they present their recommendations to the Executive Committee. By the way, this directive applies to me, too. I would direct the committee to refrain from contacting current SEATA officers during

deliberations so as to maintain the committee's objectivity related to this very important task.

With that said, and at the conclusion of my remarks, I would welcome a motion that establishes the By-Law committee and a mandate that they must report their recommendations to the Executive Committee no later than the 2004 SEATA Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia. This motion should also include a budget for one conference call, to be coordinated by the Treasurer but with no SEATA officers on the call, and any postage needed to carry out their charge.

Also, I want to be sure an answer any and all questions you might have about what I have done relating to the appointment and the rationale behind any and all my decisions. I expect that at the end of today's call to have addressed every concern. Since I will be unable to make many, if any, state's meetings, I am dependent on you to answer questions on my behalf. I am not saying you have to agree with me, only portray what I have said accurately. If a member has any questions, please let them know they are welcomed to call me at any time to inquire. As I have always said, I work for you and the other members of our district, and I love this job.

Before opening the floor for questions, I would again say thank you to each of you for your dedication and service to our members. June, in Baltimore, will end 22 uninterrupted years of service to the District and I am very concerned that we have a Director in place that will represent us well and provide the leadership each of us have come to expect. Thank you. I will now either answer any questions you might have or open the floor for a motion."

Chuck Kimmell then asked for a motion to accept his recommendations and form the committee with the guidelines as outlined.

Nick Pappas, TN made the motion as outlined, Second by Ed Evans, LA

Discussion:

Marisa Brunet, FL." do we want any other involvement from others?"

Chuck Kimmel expressed there may be some concerned "that a perception that something is up" so discussions should remain within EC"

Nick Pappas, TN. Expressed that opinions may be asked for but recommendation should come from this committee

Chris Gillespie called for a vote; passed 6-0-0-1

Further discussion following Chuck K asking for any other questions

Nick Pappas TN. “referencing Chuck Kimmel e-mail of Oct 23, 2003 & read it to group regarding proposed process “

Chuck K. “thanks for finding e-mail, but upon further review we need to look at & review the by laws prior to any further action”.

Nick Pappas, TN. “understand & support what you have to do in appointing a person in your absence & that Chris is the highest ranking person to do this at this time.”

Mary Beth Horodyski, Treasurer, states that Chad Barker, MS, will enter at some point

Chad Barker, MS enters conference call at approx 10:20 am EST.

Chuck K. asks for Chad’s input & requests a reopening of the motion

Chris Gillespie asks if Chad would like opportunity to volunteer for committee if he desires. Chad declines as he is leaving his term of office soon.

Chuck K. to Chad Barker, MS if there are any concerns he can answer

Chris Gillespie states that the bylaws were last revised in June 94 by the EC

Nick Pappas, TN states “old by laws addressed succession”

Chuck K. states he “used previous by laws & precedent to form current thinking to address this situation”

Nick Pappas, TN. “at this point Chris Gillespie is highest officer of rank & should attend for D9.

Chuck K. states he desires to prepare someone to be familiar with NATA Board actions and this is most important as there are monthly conf calls, a May & June meeting and this will help with transition & proper representation for the district.

Nick Pappas, TN, expressed concerned as to “what happens from here & how we will decide on permanent director, special election as bylaws refer to appointment & succession with possible two special elections.” Refers to Chucks e-mail of Oct.23, 2003 and is concerned about meeting & financial challenges of the district.

Chris Gillespie states that he and MaryBeth will meet with meeting representatives and hotel Atlanta on Monday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, to help formulate a plan stay within budget. He will maintain as a priority the SEATA March meeting and the duties as SEATA President.

Chuck Kimmell agrees yet believes the bylaws will have to be changed 1<sup>st</sup>, special elections not provided for at this time and the proposal is reasonably legal at this time. Suggest by laws addressed 1<sup>st</sup> & then put things into motion

Nick Pappas, TN, suggest to “changing bylaws first”

Chuck Kimmel states that June 19<sup>th</sup> in Baltimore will be his final day as D9 Director and will transition to NATA President. Chuck expresses a desire to follow by laws as needed for new District Director at this time. States that the term “Director elect” / “director Incoming” are for NATA reference. Neither Chuck nor Chris is comfortable with these terms but NATA uses them for simplicity and understands the Districts situation at this time.

Nick Pappas, TN, “the need is greater that by laws be addressed & suggest that committee as has rough draft of amendments for EC as soon as possible and constitution requires change also.

Jim Mackie clarified voting timelines for Constitutional or by law amendments, as they are different

Chuck respectfully referenced that the “motion is for by laws revision and this is the priority and we address this 1<sup>st</sup> and then to do the rest to set this in motion, avoid getting side tracked and deal with main issue at this time”

Nick Pappas, TN, requests that by laws reviewed promptly and that EC reviews as soon as possible” “It could get done with sooner date to be able to answer questions earlier from membership at the annual meeting.

Ed Evans, LA, as chair asks to clarify that bylaws need to insert to address succession & special elections

Chuck Kimmel states that it needs to “address that a provision that an officer is always in place to fulfill the duties of the association”.

Ed Evans, LA reiterates “there is no provision for that at this time”

Chuck Kimmel & Nick Pappas, TN State that “the committee can sort this out”

Chris Gillespie asks to re-open motion

Chris Gillespie discussed the situation as “Chuck Kimmel has been elected as President of the NATA and the need for a smooth transition to a new District Director. Chris attended the mid-winter NATA Board Meeting in New Orleans, December 10-13, 2003 as representative from District 9. Since the by-laws do not specifically address what to do in situations like this the Executive Committee has been called into Executive Session.”



Mississippi votes in support in motion and vote is amended to read Motion Passed 7-0-0

Marisa Brunet, FL asks when committee meets will someone keep track of meeting records and suggests this be done by chairman. Clarify that June 19 Chucks takes over as NATA President.

Charge to form revisions for by laws to the EC and membership by March 24, 2004 at latest

Chris Gillespie is appointed to represent D9 on NATA Board for the present time  
By March proceed with recommendations as directed

Chuck Kimmel states that in Baltimore there are 3 days of board meetings and on day three Chuck is transferred to President, specifically at the “fireside chat”

Nick Pappas, TN, states “one other thing, concerned to not confuse membership with term “director elect”

Chuck Kimmel states that the term “is the NATA’s choice of words”

Chris Gillespie restates that he is “not comfortable with situation, positive is it can be fixed, and that he and Chuck Kimmel have discussed greatly and their concerns.

Ed Evans, LA, “Chad brings up the point of his leaving office and the same will happen in his state will that be a problem?” The issue will be done by March hopefully & in memberships hands by that time if not sooner”

Chuck Kimmel states “it will be done & in members hands by that time”

Ed Evans, LA asks his new committee to “please review by laws & send proposals to his committee as well as to others on the committee in a uniform manner”  
Requests of committee and Nick Pappas to “please send proposals within a week & email to group as well as have by mid January a draft to review”

Chris Gillespie encourages them to look at other districts for information and by laws as necessary.

Ed Evans, LA states he has past history with by laws revision and will draw on others as needed

Brad Montgomery, AL asks, “ What happens if no 2/3rds is received or it’s what if voted down?

Chuck Kimmel states “it requires a 2/3ds majority of the ballots returned and if defeated the by laws would remain & EC would have to deal with that”

MaryBeth requests an explanation for change is drafted to accompany ballot

Nick Pappas, TN states an “executive summary will accompany ballot”

Chuck Kimmel asks “any further questions?”

Ed Evans, LA, asks the committee to please be objective, proactive, agree to disagree and be positive.

Marisa Brunet, FL states this “by law committee appears to be very active can be present recommendations in a timely manner”

Chuck Kimmel turns the meeting over to Chris Gillespie to address second agenda item which is a request from David Green, Exhibits chair, regarding the Journal of Athletic Training and their request to exhibit at the annual SEATA meeting and what should the be charged.

Chris Gillespie asks as to “what is recommendation from Executive Committee?”

MaryBeth Horodyski reads David’s recommendations that we charge half rate or at least cover cost of booth rental

Chris Gillespie as to “what would discourage them from attending?”

Ed Evans, LA states” we can’t give it to them free, but not at full price or at least cost of booth”

Ed Evans made a Motion, LA, to “at least charge cost of booth”, Second by Greg Rose, KY

Discussion

Chad Barker, MS asks “why do we want to give them a break, at least get normal booth price it they are there to profit from exhibit”

Greg Rose, KY states “we do benefit from it when we pay our dues”

MaryBeth states it “gives them a district presence and opportunity to get feed back from members

Nick Pappas, TN asks, “what do other districts charge?”

Mary Beth Horodyski replies “David Green is looking at this”

Chris Gillespie states “let David Green continue review & set a price to benefit from but not lose \$”

Ed Evans, LA, “look at giving ½ price & see what happens”

Chad Barker, MS. “Let’s just don’t lose any money”

Chad Barker, MS states “Motion to charge what booth costs us”

Dana Cravey, GA, “RT Floyd was not charged for REF booth, just don’t go in hole”

Motion by Ed Evans, LA, Seconded by Dana Cravey, GA to “charge the Journal of Athletic Training for exhibit space at the Annual Clinical Symposium at a rate of the cost the booth”

Motion In favor passed 7-0-0

Chris Gillespie, requests to “please e-mail meeting info Jim Mackie, Secretary

Dana Cravey, GA to Chris regarding Monday meeting with hotel in Atlanta, are we still with “connections”?

Chris Gillespie states he is working with collegiate sports travel Debo, gets low rates & will help us in future as this is one of her properties in ATL & her connections are good & has leverage

Chris Gillespie: any other comments?

Marisa Brunett, FL thanks to Mary Beth Horodyski for putting the conference call together

Chris Gillespie expresses his appreciation for efforts by Marybeth & all to make this conference call to happen

Marisa Brunett, FL asks that for future reference to respond to all e-mail requests even if no answer is available & wants to help where possible

Motion to adjourn, Marisa Brunett, FL, and Chad Barker, MS

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 am (est.)

Thank You



