

NATA District 9 / SEATA
Executive Board Meeting
St. Louis, MO
June 26, 2003

Meeting called to order at 2:10 PM by District 9 President Chris Gillespie

Members present: Chris Gillespie, District 9 President; Chuck Kimmel, District 9 Director; Jim Mackie, District 9 Secretary; MaryBeth Horodyski, District 9 Treasurer; Brad Montgomery, Alabama; Marisa Brunett, Florida; Mike Clanton, Georgia; Greg Rose, Kentucky; Ed Evans, Louisiana; Chad Barker, Mississippi; Nick Pappas, Tennessee

President Chris Gillespie welcomed everyone and presented a motion to dispense with reading of March Executive Committee Minutes

Motion to Approve: Nick Pappas, TN, seconded by Ed Evans, LA; Approved 6-0-1

President's Report: Chris Gillespie

Review of Agenda

Opening prayer by Chris Gillespie

Treasurer's Report: MaryBeth Horodyski

Savings \$14,137.21

Investments \$166,879.00 + change of \$10,129.11

Total inflows \$181,443.66

Total outflows \$179,933.80

Balance \$1,509.86

Chad Barker, MS returned to room @ 2:17 pm

Introduction of those present

District Directors Report: Chuck Kimmel

- Out-going District 9 President, Frank Grimaldi was thanked for his service and all that he has done during his term in office.
- Bruce Getz, Presidential candidate was thanked for his making himself available to run for office
- Chris Gillespie was welcomed as the new incoming District 9 President
- It is reported that there are 6, 400 plus in attendance at NATA with 1,027 being SEATA members. Congratulations.

• Dec 12-13, 2003 the NATA Board is to meet in New Orleans, LA
Friday, Dec 12th there will be a member's reception with NATA Board and all members of SEATA are welcome to attend. More details to follow in NATA News

- Finance committee has accepted the audit & financial statements for the over \$6 million NATA budget
- The Board has approved a grant of \$700.00 for representatives to attend a Female Triad Summit
- The Board voted to support Transportation Equity Act
- Public Relations will host an event @ the Edward Jones Dome on the NATA Heat Illness Consensus statement
- Districts 9 & 3 have added a disclaimer to the Heat Illness Statement following concerns and a request.
- The newly elected NATA Vice President is Sandy Miller of District 6
- A specialty certification has been approved for developing an occupational medicine alliance to recognize ATC's working as Orthopedic technicians & create professional relationships
- Final Internship Candidates test will be in 2004, application must be received by December 31, 2003

Two vital issues have been under serious discussion by the Board

1. Regarding Position Vacancies Notices (PVN)

In October 2003 the NATA will charge for posting PVN's a fee of \$200.00 for full time, \$50.00 for Part-time, Internship & Graduate Assistant positions

Nick Pappas, TN, asked about how fees were determined? Chuck discussed this with EBD & fees were set. It is not per position, but must be on one announcement with a set time period.

Ed Evans, LA, asked if prorated funds would be available? Chuck has recommended a 60-day listing period; currently it is set at 30 days.

Chris Gillespie asked what would keep a district from having their own job-site postings?

Chuck recommended we not place on our list serve, as grants would be derived from fees collected with \$2,500 would be projected to come to SEATA

This is a member service provided by the NATA, and it is noted that jobs are filled by paying for and advertising for a position. Examples were given from newspapers & NCAA News

Brad Montgomery, AL, asked was there any discussion about member vs. non-member payment. Chuck noted that employers are not members of the NATA.

Ed Evans, LA asked about payment & how it would be collected.

Mike Clanton, GA asked about where additional money will go?

Nick Pappas, TN asked about money going to various committees. Chuck responded they would be placed into general funds said each case will be addressed individually.

Greg Rose, KY discussed people looking for internships at low rates of pay & the concerns this brings.

Marisa Brunett, FL asked to clarify that this policy will go into effect in October of 2003

Chuck will address proposal at the District Meeting to the membership

Marisa asked as to how many groups were checked with in investigating this issue and Chuck replied that several were reviewed.

Mike Clanton, GA, asked what are the projections. Chuck feels that numbers will drop but in 3 years it should be up to speed or he will move to remove it.

2. Nomenclature Issue

President Max has appointed a task force to address this issue

Survey suggested as to if we should change our name, yes/no and if so what to change it to. Questions were raised by several as to how this should be explained to membership and it is requested that this be adequately addressed

Several asked as to what drove this thinking, what implications would it bring, legislatively, educationally, public perception.

Chuck read the charge to the Nomenclature Task Force to clarify what will be addressed.

New Business

Chris then called the meeting into executive session to address the finances of annual meeting at 3:05 pm.

Chris reviewed goals as President for the immediate future regarding the Annual Symposium

- SEATA Symposium must be under budget each year
 - Proposes to appoint a Standing Committee to oversee finances to be called the Annual Symposium Fiscal Accountability Committee
 - Identify where are the problems in carrying us over budget. Answer the question “are spending too much in trying to be the best”
 - Hold people responsible accountable to stay within the budgets
 - Propose saving by returning to basics, pay no honorariums, comp of speakers, utilize District 9 speakers, and develop significant cost savings
- Request a closer watch of committees when people move out of district and replace in an expedient manner
- Develop a Past Presidents Advisory Group

Executive Committee called out of executive session at 3:15pm and took brief recess

Meeting resumed by Chris Gillespie at 3:25pm

Nick Pappas, TN, out till 3:27 pm

Research & Education Foundation

RT Floyd, REF Committee Chair requests proposing a dues increase of unspecified amount (but between \$3.00-\$5.00) from all certified & associate members for the specific purpose of funding

the NATA-REF. District 9 would not make regular contribution but let member contribution be the donation, each state would continue to be solicited individually.

MaryBeth interjected that July 15 is deadline for notice to NATA of Dues increase. Jim will contact the national office and request an extension as well as develop a postcard to be sent to the membership in July.

Chuck noted the vote must be a majority from each state and pass all 7 states to be approved. Question was raised “would this be more than currently contributed by SEATA?” & yes was the answer by RT Floyd.

Discussion of amount to be requested and \$5.00 was recommended.

Call for a vote by Chris Gillespie

Discussion: Question by JC Anderson as to designation of the funds. Answer they would go directly to the REF for there distribution

Ed Evans, LA, made motion that membership be surveyed by a postcard in July requesting approval of a increase of \$5.00 to dues (Certified & Associate) for the direct funding of the NATA-REF by SEATA,

Chad Barker, MS, seconded

Motion Approved 7-0-0

Educational Symposium Committee

JC Anderson & Carl Mattacola, Education Committee Co-chairs reporting

Chris Gillespie explained that the Executive Committee has agreed that we are charged to go back to the basics with our program this year in order to restore fiscal responsibility of the Annual Symposium.

Discussion by Executive Committee members as to what would be proper reimbursement for speakers.

Recommended to suspend honorariums, negotiate for one night hotel if possible & waive registration

Challenged to review the current template to re-work program & reduce concurrent sessions which would impact costs.

Chris Gillespie requested of David Green, Exhibits Chairperson that Electric & Internet charges be paid by exhibitors in the future as well as to investigate with Hotel and MaryBeth how this occurred.

MaryBeth Horodyski read a report from Dana Cravey, Annual Symposium Fiscal Accountability Committee Chairperson regarding reducing expenses of meeting. Report contained a listing of all income & expenses and recommendations for future expense reduction and oversight.

Motion by Nick Pappas, TN, to task the SEATA Officers to review, recommend, & balance budget of SEATA and make proposals to the Executive Committee as necessary

Motion seconded by Ed Evans, LA
Approved 7-0-0

Motion for Nomenclature survey to be added to postcard with dues increase request vote for funds designated for NATA REF
Nick Pappas, TN, seconded by Brad Montgomery, AL
Motion approved 7-0-0

Call for Adjournment by Chris Gillespie, President
Motion by Marisa Brunett, FL
Seconded by Chad Barker, MS
Meeting Adjourned at 3:30 PM