

**Section on Pediatric
Business Meeting
Combined Sections Meeting
February 16, 2007
Hines Convention Center
Boston, MA**

Welcome/call to order.

Adopt Rules of the House

Counting the House: 175

Approve Minutes from Business Meeting of CSM 2006

Introduction of the members of the Board of Directors: Sheree York, President

President's update: Sheree York

Recognize new pediatric clinical specialists (PCS)

- 49 new PCS's this year
- 700+ total

First Pediatric Residency Program has been approved and is located in Oregon.

Pediatric Specialty Counsel: Kim Nixon Cave

- Looking for new member and item writers
- This year, doing validation study. Will be a survey that section members need to fill out to validate that the test reflects the practice.
- Re-certification process will be changing in the near future.

WCPT: Barbara Connolly

- Proposed a subgroup for pediatrics.
- Needed 10 countries from 3 regions of WCPT.
 - Have many of the signatures necessary
 - Will be able to begin the subgroup at the WCPT
 - Objects and mission are being developed
 - Need a constitution and rules which will be developed at the meeting
 - Need an office(can be a P.O. box) and the name of a person who will be the administrator

- Already have a charge for this new subgroup: treatment of children with Spina Bifida. This charge developed in the past by WCPT.
- No dues for the subgroup but a dues structure need to be developed internally to help support the development of this subgroup.

III Step Update: Sheree York

- Regional III Step meetings continuing to be presented.
- One is scheduled in April.
- Working group is developing plan for more.

Collaboration with APTA Practice Committee

- Continuum of Care legislation:
 - This is a continuing effort. A Task Force has been developed and a plan for further activities is being developed. This afternoon, other sections were asked to participate in the process of carrying out this legislation.
- CONNECT:
 - This is an electronic documentation tool developed by the Practice Committee of the APTA. Currently developed for adult practice but the SOP has been asked to help the pediatric portion.
- Defensible Documentation:
- Guide Revision: Planning for work with this revision
- Fitness for special populations

Janet Peterson: APTA BOD liaison:

The BOD will be looking at the SOP as a model program because of its structure to bring in regional /local representation through its state representatives. APTA will be using this structure to develop public relations information for pediatrics.

APTA President: Scott Ward

- This CSM meetings numbers: large, close to 6,000
- Values of Mr. Ward's presidency: connectivity and communication.

IDEA updates:

- New School based practice conference is being planned.
- IDEA book by Irene McEwen is in the planning process of being revised. AOTA may collaborate with APTA in this revision.

New Home Study Course: almost completed.

Public Relations:

- Speaker's Bureau: Sheree York getting many calls for expert comments for media. The SOP needs to develop a Speaker's Bureau so that people with specific expertise can be quickly identified and contacted in these

instances. Along with developing a Speaker's Bureau, guidelines will also be developed on how to speak to the media.

- APTA Public Relations spots: Many new ones developed this year and some have a pediatric focus.

Leadership development focus identified at Strategic Planning session 2006.

- Leadership training being planned for AC in June 2007 in Denver.

Structural changes:

Cindy Sliwa organized the section committees, positions, task forces and, from this organization has developed a roster and job descriptions for all positions. This way both tasks and volunteers can be appropriately organized and utilized.

Special Interest Groups.

SOP now has 4 SIG's (chairpersons introduced)

Treasury report: (see power point)

Although we have a deficit budget for this year, we have enough reserve to cover a deficit but the section often does not spend the amount budgeted.

Public Relations Committee of SOP: Chairperson Donna Metzger

Donna has made a tremendous effort to increase our public relations activities. These efforts were recognized and appreciated by the President.

Editor of Pediatric Physical Therapy: Ann Van Sant

- The journal is now indexed which has resulted in receiving more requests for subscriptions.
- The number of submissions of articles for publication is increasing and acceptance rate up.
- The journal is now making money.
- We are also having more international submissions particularly from new places.
- Royalties are increasing mostly because of institutional subscriptions (on line). These subscriptions are run in packages and we are included in the OVID package.
- There will be an increase in the number of articles per issue because of the increased submission rate.

Awards:

Jeanne Hughes Award: Hui-Ting Goh, PhD, PT

Toby Long Award: Mitzi Wiggin, MS, PT, PCS

Bud DeHaven Award: Dale Scalise-Smith, PT, PhD

Regional Directors Report: Mary Jane Rapport

- SOP making a large effort to increase the support of state representatives.
 - Members should feel free to utilize their regional director and/or state representatives as resources.

Section Delegate Report: Toby Long.

No specific current issues in House related directly to pediatrics

Research Committee: Thubi Kolobe

- Introduction of subcommittees and tasks forces Subcommittees and task
- Research Summit:
 - Chairperson: Maggie O'Neal
 - Topic: Early intervention for children with or at risk for developmental disabilities.
 - Goal: To create collaborative networks among PT researchers and related disciplines' researchers on this topic.
 - Date: October 12 thru 14, 2007 at Holiday Inn in VA
 - Applications for PT researchers in this area will be due in April 2007.
 - Next Newsletter will provide information on the outcomes of Research Summit I
 - Outcome will be expressed as activities that have come from the summit.
- **Research Awards:**
 - Thesis Award
 - Mary Meiser, PT
 - **Dissertation Award**
 - Jill Heathcock, PT, MPT, PhD.

Bylaws Committee: Janet Downey

- Term changes: Active and affiliate members changed to physical therapist and physical therapy assistant members
- Bylaw changes: APTA sent out sample bylaws so that the Section bylaws can be consistent and appropriate with the APTA bylaws and with each other. Some information that was in our bylaws was more appropriately put in the Policy and Procedure manual and was therefore moved out of the bylaws. Changes were verbally listed and

described by Janet Downey (see Bylaws Report). Notification of members of changes went out electronically on website since November 2006. Now need to vote to approve or disapprove. If approved, then go to APTA for final review. If not approved, Janet will revise.

Motion 1: Accept revise as posted on website.

Unanimous acceptance.

Government Affairs Committee: Sheryl Low

- Introduction of members
- Description of efforts for reviewing of IDIEA revisions
- Fact sheet on re-imbursement coming out soon.
- Thank the APTA staff who has been so supportive
- Need key contacts for people with expertise in each region on certain topics: early intervention, school based, Re-imbursement and Medicaid.
- Please contact Sheryl Low with your name if you would like to be considered a key contact for a topic.

PAC Staff:

- Jay Segal and Thom DeAngelos.
- Competition between the sections on donations to the PAC.

Review of other committees: Sheree York

Communication: Cindy Fudman

Education Committee: Robin Dole

Finance Committee: Eunice Shen

Membership Committee: Vicky Trost McHugh.

Nominating Committee: Lisa Chiarello for Irene McEwen

- Good response this year for call for people to run.
- Next year: President will be up for election.
- The committee would like to like increase voting response this year so will move electronic voting.

Practice Committee Lisa Chiarello

Program Committee: Regina Harbourne

The procedure to develop educational programming is changing for CSM. Proposals will be submitted through Scholar One and are due by April 1st.

Public Relations

Announcement: Elisa Kennedy is submitting a petition for Early Intervention Program Special Interest Group.

Anniversary Award: Susan Kinosian, PT

Recognition of outgoing state representatives

Memorial Scholarship Awards (2)

1. Melissa Forman
2. Faith Ann Augustus.

Jeanne Fischer Award: Alice Shea, PT, ScD.

Recognition for outgoing Special Interest Group Chairpersons:

Tim Erson, Cindy Miles, Jane Sweeney

Recognition of outgoing Executive Committee Officers

Peg Mohr and Priscilla Osborne

Meeting ended: 8 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla S. Osborne, Secretary