

**Section on Pediatrics
Annual Conference 2006
Membership Meeting
Friday, June 23, 2006
Rosen Center: Salon 9
7:15-830pm**

Session begun: 7:30 pm

Welcome/Call to order

Adopt the Rules of the House:

Mary Olson moved to adopt rules as outlined on agenda

Florence Millet-Bice: seconded

Vote to adopt rules of the house as outlined on agenda.

Count the House: 30

Move to approve the Minutes from the Membership Meeting from AC 2005: Approved

President's Report: Sheree York

David Brown from Maine,

- first Pediatric specialist recently died.
- Donated \$300 to Memorial fund in his honor

Review of MTF:

- Reimbursement subcommittee formed to address re-imburement issues
- Pediatric educational compendium completed and available at booth
- Brochure assisting people with donating to the SOP available at booth
- School based SIG created and in process of forming
- SOP members attended task for on Continuum of Care bill
 - Ken Hardwood from APTA Practice Committee working with task force to develop processes surrounding this bill.
 - Talked about ways of working together with other sections to help work with this process.
- Profits from sale of Physical Therapy Clinical Management Guidelines for Children with Spastic Cerebral Palsy to go to Memorial Fund.

Interview with reporter from Exceptional Parent: Sheree York and Donna Metzger.

Went well

- New Research Summit coming up
- Many workshops being planned

- IDEA conference April 2007 Newark NJ
- Fitness for Children in Omaha August 2006
- III Step (dates given for all three)
- ACP November 10 11 12, 2006
- SOP won apta award for website
- Webcasting/podcasting: looking into distance learning process for future conferences.

SOP Activities in process:

- Pediatric subgroup for WCPT
- Task for exercise guidelines for children
 - Task force has met
 - Will also network with cardiopulmonary section
- Investigating advertising jobs and products on website
- NICU competencies being revised
- Subcommittee of Government Affairs on re-imburement
 - Working on ways to development materials/information for membership

SOP New activities:

- Developed position to coordinate volunteer activities/opportunities within the section.
- New subcommittee to work on video library
- No longer with Regional Directors

Introductions: The BOD and members.

Reports

Treasurer Report : Eunice Shen

- New procedure for check signing with the APTA to streamline process.
- Finances of III step has been contracted to APTA to handle proceeds from the conference

Regional Directors Report : Karen Haas

- Introduction of new RDs:
 - Mary Jane Rapport,
 - Karen Martin
 - Introduced state representatives attending meeting
- Sandi Wood and Joe Schreiber are now RD's in charge of AV library (until new subcommittee developed)
 - Karen encouraged people to send in suggestions for new videos
 - Website has information about current inventory and procedure for obtaining one.

- Membership breakfast at CSM:
 - Good opportunity to learn more about section and network with others
- Special issues Forum:
 - Reviewed many issues presented to officers that members would like to address: Physical Therapy Assistants in Pediatric Settings
 - Kathy Martin and Florence Millet-Bice are organizing this
- Strongly encourage communication with state representative and regional director:
 - To discuss any issues/concerns.
 - Can work with pediatric special interest groups/ study groups with state representatives if that would be helpful.
- Regional money for education available
 - Can be used to start up a continuing education course in your region.
 - Contact state representative and/or regional director for more information.

Section Delegate Report: Toby Long

- Section delegates go to HOD (cannot vote) but state chapters come to them as resources and for support for specific issues.
- Vision 2020 main focus of the House of Delegates
 - There are pillars of this Vision including:
 - Autonomus practice (defined by HOD this session) further description on website; some components:
 - Independent, self-determined professional judgment
 - Responsibility and acceptance of risk
 - Refer to and collaborate with others
 - Recognition/need for consultation
 - Clinical decision making
 - PT governance in all settings.
 - Direct Access
 - Practitioner of choice
 - DPT
 - Professionalism
 - Evidence based practice
- Major APTA Summit on Physical Therapy and Society (planned for 2010)
 - Bring together interdisciplinary group to discuss future of PT in society.

- Women's Health passed specialization
- Strategic plan to be developed to implement the plan on 2020.
 - By the APTA BOD.
- Rescinded motion that limits the development of physical therapy programs to address expressed need.
 - Workforce analysis has been requested to further define need
- Some discussion about abuse of the DPT
 - Very controversial
- Election process this year
 - New President: Scott Ward
- New year HOD is meeting separately from AC 2007
 - HOD will be in May in Washington DC with Gov. Affairs Forum
 - (this will happen once every 4 years)
 - AC will be in Denver in June 2007

Research Committee Report: Thubi Kolobe

- New Research Summit Topic: Early intervention for children at risk for physical disability
 - Proposal written and will be submitted for funding
 - Increase number of PT applicants:
 - Participants will be 2/3's Physical Therapy researchers 1/3 others
- Foundation for Physical Therapy Research
 - pediatric grant applications as fund if fully funded. (see website)

Membership Committee Report: Vickie Trost

- New Position:
 - Volunteer Coordination Position:
 - Second year Nominating Committee member
- Member retention is a priority
 - Trying to structure committee's differently and develop clearer job descriptions to assist those trying to become involved.
- Membership funds available to help develop membership at state level.

Public Relations Committee Report: Donna Metzger

- Home town press release: at booth
- Thanks booth helpers.
 - New things at booth

- Drawing tomorrow.
- Pediatric educational compendium available at booth
- Reviewed membership survey and using strategies to assist members including
 - Networking
 - Mentoring
- Public Relations Committee will develop a plan with the BOD to address these issues in terms of assisting with retention of members and recruitment of new members.

Nomination Committee Report: Irene McEwen

- Slate: still some vacancies
 - Request volunteers

New Business:

- Request for nominations for national office:

- Vision 202 is a priority for SOP
 - Need to work with the section members on professionalism for Pediatric Physical therapy as it pertain to Vision 2020

End of Session: 8:30

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary