



# WISCONSIN ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION

## WATA Board of Directors Meeting

Sunday, December 7, 2008

7:30 PM

### AGENDA

1. Call to order – 7:30pm by J. Greene
2. Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum
  - a. Members present – Joe Greene (President), Ryan Wilkinson (Vice President), Mike Moll (Treasurer), Dave Kroll (Member-at-Large), Heidi Gutschow (NE Regional Representative).
  - b. Not present: Lynn Reuss (NW Regional Representative), Jeff Sischo (SE Regional Representative), Chuck Walker (SW Regional Representative), Holly Schmies (Secretary)
3. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting:
  - a. Motion to approve the minutes as presented from BOD meetings on 10/26/08: 1<sup>st</sup>: M. Moll; 2<sup>nd</sup>: R. Wilkinson. Motion passes: 5-0-0.
4. Report of President J. Greene
  - a. WPTA Communication
    1. J. Greene, S Stenger and M VanVeghel will meet with the WPTA on 12/16/08 to discuss our proposed practice act language changes.
    2. Will send our proposed language changes to the WPTA prior to meeting based on Governmental Affairs Committee recommendations.
    3. Will send us an update after the meeting.
  - b. Met with Brett Mueller about the sponsorship proposal. Was well received and Brett was taking the proposal back to his Board for discussion. J. Greene will follow up with Brett and then inform us of results.
5. Report of the Vice President R. Wilkinson
  - a. NATA
  - b. State dues issue
    1. On agenda for this weekend's NATA finance committee meeting
      - a. If approved, NATA BOD were to discuss it on 12/7
    2. This appears to be a computer programming issue, with a potential cost involved
    3. There may be a cost to the states that wish to do this
    4. Basically would require breaking funds down 50 ways instead of 10
    5. District Director Mark Gibson has pursued grass roots efforts to other members of finance committee and NATA BOD, and has initial received initial support, and expects continued support, with these changes potentially occurring for 2010 dues cycle
  - c. GLATA update
    1. 2009 budget approved
      - a. Included decreased travel funding for all positions, including decreasing state rep positions from 4 days at both meetings to 2 days at both meetings
      - b. Approval of increase to \$39 dues allocation (increased from \$37)

- c. Elimination of legislative grant, increasing professional advancement fund to \$5,000 per year per state (starting 2010 for WI) – Wisconsin can still apply for 2009 grant cycle
  - d. Emergency Crisis loan was established as a combination of the previous continuing education grant and research grant accounts
    - i. Open-ended loan (based on receipts/reimbursements) for the states – everything would need to be approved by the finance committee – repaid to GLATA via withholding of state dues allocation over a period of time.
2. GLATA Legislative Grant – application due Jan. 15 (final year of eligibility)
  3. Update on GLATA strategic planning process
    - a. Advisory committee composition
      - i. From WI: David Bazett-Jones, Ellie Rozumalski, Denny Helwig, Chris Geiser
    - b. Estimated completion date of Oct. 15, 2009
    - c. Next step is to distribute SWOT analysis to individuals/groups (including Wisconsin/WATA)
  4. Chris Huot was asked to make a recommendation regarding a live meeting conference software program – reviewing Adobe Connect and Microsoft Live Meeting – leaning towards Adobe Connect
    - a. GLATA would purchase this program and make it available to the states

6. Report of the Secretary Holly Schmies  
 a. No report

7. Report of the Treasurer Michael Moll  
 a. Net worth report

a. E*Trade Money Market	\$18240.34
b. M&I CD Accounts	14200.14
c. M&I Checking Account	11001.48
d. E*Trade Founding Fathers	16270.05
e. <u>E*Trade Post Graduate</u>	<u>1065.65</u>
f. Total	\$60777.66

- b. Golf outing funds – suggested \$2112.91 to Post-Graduate scholarship and \$2000 to Founding Fathers scholarship. Will discuss in new business.
- c. All grants have been submitted to GLATA and should be getting \$3512.23 in next few months.
- d. Waiting on fall symposium numbers at this time.

8. Report of the Member at Large Dave Kroll  
 a. No report

9. Report of the Regional Representatives
- a. Jeff Sischo (SE) – no report. Will be actively recruiting replacement for Jeff interim and then election when his term expires.
  - b. Chuck Walker (SW) – no report
  - c. Heidi Gutschow (NE) – Planning on NE regional meeting on 3/18/09.
  - d. Lynn Reuss (NW) – no report

10. Committee and Task Force Reports

a. Finance Michael Moll

- a. Sponsorship proposal update
  1. Have a brochure and a letter created for the sponsorship packages to start sending out to potential sponsors within the next 2 weeks.
  2. Will be asking members to help with contacts within the state.

- b. Governmental Affairs Joe Greene
  - a. \$1500 remains in the conduit and goal is to keep \$5000 balance
  - b. Made language change recommendations to BOD to take to WPTA for discussion.
- c. Honors and Awards Dave Kroll
  - a. Due to lack of nominations, will move deadlines to December 31, 2008
- d. Leadership Development Joe Greene
  - a. Individuals are interested in the VP/Treasurer/NE regional rep/SW regional rep.
  - b. May need to recruit for President-elect position
- e. Professional Education Jill Murphy/Holly Schmies
  - a. Per M. Moll, Fall Symposium went well. Still waiting on final numbers.
  - b. J. Murphy will be meeting on 12/19/08 to discuss the fall '09 reimbursement symposium. Other states remain interested in participating.
  - c. WATA 2009 Annual Meeting update – about 14 CEU's and a total of 16/17 CEU's with the workshops. The planning committee will have an update at the January board face to face meeting
- f. Public Relations Ryan Wilkinson
  - a. Recommending that Jolene Strifler be named the new chairperson for this committee. Will discuss in new business.
  - b. Several recent articles and videos recently on LAT's from WI.
- g. Reimbursement and Employment Joe Greene
  - a. Will meet on 12/19 to discuss fall symposium.
  - b. D. Trampf to give update on progress with BC/BS, United Health and meeting with State Insurance Commission.
- h. Research and Outcomes Michael Moll
  - a. Survey is ready to be delivered to members to gauge interest in participation in outcome studies.
- i. Student Affairs Amy Brugge
  - a. UW-Oshkosh has elected not to represent WATA at GLATA and waiting on UW-Madison's decision to represent since they were second place team.
  - b. Robert Bullock (UW-Milwaukee), Lindsay Keller (UW-Madison), and Chad Moeller (Concordia) to represent WATA at the NATA iLead event in Washington D.C. in February
  - c. All program directors will receive copy of the entry rules for the WATA Student Writing/Poster contest in beginning of December to share with students that are interested in participating. This document will also be forwarded to the WATA webmaster to post on the website.
- j. Website Michael Moll
  - a. Received request from GB Packers Youth FB Camps to post job position and J. Greene will redirect them to the NATA since we no longer post job openings.
- k. Task Forces Reports - no updates at this time
  - a. Practice Act
  - b. Outcome Study
  - c. Secondary School

11. Unfinished Business

- a. WATA Practice Act                      Joe Greene
  - a. Will be meeting with WPTA on 12/16/08.
  - b. Goal is to approve the new language at our January face-to-face meeting.
  - c. LRB will write the new proposed bill/changes
  
- b. WATA Legislative Day                      Joe Greene
  - a. Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009 is the date for this event. May need to change date depending on our bill introduction
  - b. Funding options and planning is occurring within the Governmental Relations Committee.
  
- c. NATA iLead                                      Joe Greene
  - a. WI reps are set (see student affairs report)
  - b. 30 states are sending students to event
  
- d. WATA Golf outing proceeds
  - a. Motion: To distribute \$2000 to Founding Fathers scholarship fund and \$2112.91 to the Post Graduate scholarship fund. 1<sup>st</sup>: M. Moll; 2<sup>nd</sup>: D. Kroll. Motion passes: 5-0-0
  
- e. Bylaws
  - a. To finalize changes at the January face to face meeting

12. New Business

- a. Committee Chair Appointment
  - a. Motion: To appoint Jolene Strifler as WATA Public Relations Committee Chair. 1<sup>st</sup>: R. Wilkinson; 2<sup>nd</sup>: D. Kroll. Motion passes: 5-0-0.

13. Communications

- a. None

14. Next Meeting Date and Time: Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup> – 1pm and Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 8am in Madison

15. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 8:55 pm. 1<sup>st</sup>: J. Greene, 2<sup>nd</sup> D. Kroll.