AMTA-WI Board Meeting December 9, 2007 Waukesha, WI – Amy Remillard's Home

Meeting called to order at 10:16am by Amy Remillard.

Board Members and Committee Chairs present: Amy Remillard (President), Kay Peterson (1st VP/Newsletter Editor), AnnMarie Kolb (Secretary), and Betsy Krizenesky (Immediate Past President/Law & Legislation).

Approval of Minutes from September 8, 2007 **MOTION:** AnnMarie Kolb moved that we approve the minutes as corrected. Betsy Krizenesky seconded. All approved.

Approval of Minutes from November 26, 2007 **MOTION:** Kay Peterson moved that we approve the minutes as corrected. AnnMarie Kolb seconded. All approved.

Officer and Committee Reports:

President: Amy Remillard reported on membership numbers.

Education: Amy Remillard reported that the committee met December 8, via teleconference. Contracts will be sent out by December 15, for the August 2008 education conference, to Claire Marie Miller (Integrative Reflexology), Kathy Ginn (Ethics) and Doug Nelson (NMT).

MOTION: Kay Peterson moved that the amount of chapter funds directed to education from member dues be raised from \$8,000 per year to \$12,000 per year. Betsy Krizenesky seconded. AMENDMENT: Betsy would like to raise it to \$16,000. Kay seconded. Amendment approved. Motion approved as amended.

1st VP/Newsletter: Kay Peterson reported that Mike Rude is very excited to be involved in the newsletter and doing an awesome job. Kay presented the invoices from Rooney Printing for the April & July 2007 newsletters. There was an error in billing, and they undercharged the AMTA-WI for printing newsletters for this fiscal year.

MOTION: Kay Peterson moved that the AMTA-WI Chapter newsletter Connecting Hands have its publication schedule reduced to three issues per year from the current four. The new schedule being February, June and October. Betsy Krizenesky seconded. Betsy suggested we wait, due to increased need of communicating to the membership about the Legislative processes ahead. The motion was tabled by Kay Peterson.

2nd VP: Vacant.

3rd VP: Vacant.

Treasurer: Budget discussion.

Secretary: AnnMarie Kolb has nothing to report at this time.

Immediate Past President/Law & Legislation: Betsy Krizenesky reported that the town hall meeting schedule is well underway. These meetings are being held through the end of April 2008 (an extended schedule) for gathering specific opinions from the profession in Wisconsin on the proposed draft of the massage licensing bill. In May the Wisconsin Massage Licensing Coalition will meet to prepare the first draft of the bill, which will then be published in the July 2008 issue of the AMTA-WI chapter newsletter, Connecting Hands. The second draft will be done after members of the massage profession and related professions are allowed to comment in late summer and fall. During that time legislative sponsors will be sought and the goal is to have the bill draft ready to present to the legislature in January 2009. It will then make the long journey through various hearings and committees of both the State Assembly and Senate to end up on the Governor's desk for comment by the end of the 2010 session, if not before.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bookkeeping Options: Amy Remillard discussed the options available from AMTA National. **MOTION:** Kay Peterson moved that AMTA-WI begin using AMTA National Booking Services Option 2 on March 1, 2008. Betsy Krizenesky seconded. All approved.

Rules of Engagement: Amy Remillard requested that we look at the AMTA National's Rules. Kirsten Severeid emailed some rules of engagement that Amy presented for consideration, as well, and a hybrid of the two documents was created.

MOTION: Kay Peterson moved that the AMTA-WI BOD adopt the Rules of Engagement for all elected or appointed AMTA-WI chapter volunteers as created on December 9, 2007. AnnMarie Kolb seconded. All Approved. See the attached document. These rules will be printed in the Connecting Hands Newsletter once a year.

Mission Statement: Amy Remillard asked if the AMTA-WI Board feels we need to change our mission statement. Our current mission statement is printed in the Connecting Hands Newsletter every issue. The current mission is "Promoting Wellness Through Massage." The opinion was that it is not necessary to change it at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Amy Remillard would like to appoint Sara Smiley-Robbins to membership chair. All approved.

MOTION: Betsy Krizenesky moved that the AMTA-WI Chapter enter into lobbying contract Quarels & Brady for passage of massage licensing in the 2009-2010 legislation session. The cost of the contract is \$42,000 to begin May 1, 2008. Kay Peterson seconded. All approved.

MOTION: Betsy Krizenesky moved that AMTA-WI Chapter extend the legislative watch contract at \$500 per month from January 1, 2008 to April 30, 2008, after which the lobbying contract will cover legislative watch services. Kay seconds. All approved.

MOTION: AnnMarie Kolb moved to adjourn the meeting. Kay Peterson seconded. All approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:06pm by Amy Remillard.