

Illinois Athletic Trainers Association
BOARD OF DIRECTORS BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, September 11, 2022

Zoom Conference Call

BOARD ROLL CALL

Present:

President	Jordan Anderson, ATC
President Elect	Greg Garofalo, ATC
Vice President	Andy Renner, ATC
Treasurer	Kristin Trinite, ATC
Secretary	Jenny Ludwig, ATC
Reg 1 Representative	Denny Wongosari, ATC
Reg 2 Representative	Brandon Gonzales, ATC
Reg 3 Representative	Justin Stanek, ATC
Reg 4 Representative	Sarah Turner, ATC
Governmental Affairs Director	Bill Durand, ATC
Public Relations Director	Cortney Ales, ATC
Development Director	Megan Hutchins, ATC
Communications Director	Andrea Kovalsky, ATC
IL Representative to GLATA	Matt Munjoy, ATC
Membership Director	Greg Gaa, ATC

Absent: Stanek, Ales, Hutchins

GUEST ROLL CALL

Present:

ATs Care Committee Chair	Tanya Marquez, ATC
Committee on Practice	
Advancement Chair	Mark Colston, ATC
Education Committee Chair	Nick Grahovec, ATC
Secondary Schools Committee Co-Chairs	Mark Florence, Aaron Kremmel, ATCs
Archivist	Dave Jerbi, AT-Retired
CLCA Chair	Ryan Moran, ATC
CECAT Chair	Abe Alramhi, ATC
IATA Veteran Members Committee Chair	Tony Garofalo, AT-Retired
IATA DEIA Committee Chair	Kemba Noel-London, ATC

Absent: Florence, Kremmel, Alramhi, T. Garofalo, Noel-London

= Motion and Vote Expected or Possible

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS 6:05pm

#2.0 APPROVAL of the Sunday, September 11, 2022 Meeting Agenda

Motion: I move to approve the 9/11/22 meeting agenda

1st: Garofalo 2nd: Munjoy

The following changes were made:

4.2.3 Remove bylaws portion of this; remove 4.2.4

7.5 Removed (Trinite's motion)

11-0-0. Motion passes.

#3.0 APPROVAL of Minutes from June 11, 2022 BOD Meeting (Appendix A)

Motion: I move to approve the 6/11/22 meeting minutes

1st: Kovalsky 2nd: Durand

11-0-0. Motion passes.

4.0 Reports - Board of Directors

4.1 President Report (See Report)

- Anderson

4.1.1 Marquardt Meetings

Please schedule if not yet completed

4.1.2 BOD position transition/timing

Anderson asks those transitioning out of their roles to assist with new people taking over, as roles may be changing soon with the upcoming elections

4.1.3 Creative uses for surplus dollars for members

Anderson asks the BOD to put ideas together for the next meeting

4.2 President Elect Report (See Report)

- G. Garofalo

4.2.1 2022 BOD Elections

There are 4 open positions - region 1, region 2, treasurer, and membership director. Currently no applicants for any of the open positions. Please plug these positions, as there is currently no interest in any of the positions that are open. Durand recommends social media promotion from those currently in their positions. If there are

any leads, please direct them to Garofalo, or have them fill out the applications

4.2.2 Update on District 4 work group/membership equity

The goal is for better representation for the region. This is a work in progress. Garofalo provided quick update

4.2.3 Potential P&P change for elections to reflect summer meeting

The IATA will need to update the P&P with the current election process moving forward

4.3 Vice President Report (See Report) - Renner

4.3.1 Update from BOC CARE Conference (notes in appendices & proposal to finance committee) (Appendix B)

Renner and Grahovec ended up meeting with the Atkinson firm to try to set them up to speak about regulatory issues in Illinois. Renner feels this could be a great resource for the IATA moving forward. Renner believes they would speak at our annual meeting moving forward

#4.3.2 Annual IATA Education Conference & Committee (Appendix C) (New Business)

Renner discussed changing the timing of the quiz bowl and turning it into an educators conference. This could also change and improve engagement from students

#4.3.3 2023 & 2024 IATA Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposiums (Appendix D) (New Business)

Carrie from Marquardt Group is working on getting proposals for these meetings. Renner reminded the group that the Embassy Suites contract from 2020 has been pushed back to 2023 because of reservation difficulties. The group had a discussion about this

#4.4 Treasurer Report (See Report) - Trinite

4.4.1 Account Updates, as of 8/29/2022:

1. Operations: \$251,509.61
2. PAC: \$22,253.00
3. Money Market: \$45,331.67
4. Endowment: \$9,043.69
5. Endowment Investment: \$25,481.07
6. RBC: \$68,396.39
7. Rewards point balance: \$1061.29

Carrie from Marquardt Group will start sending invoices for the IATA, and will be able to run reports whenever needed moving forward. She and the new accountant will work to change tax exemption status.

#4.4.2 Update Policy/Procedure for Treasurer Position (New Business)
Trinite ended up removing this motion; no action needed

4.4.3 Finance Committee meeting to be scheduled soon
Committee includes: Development Director, President Elect, Region 1 representative and Region 2 representative. They will be meeting soon. Trinite will send email soon to this group

4.5 Secretary Report (See Report) - Ludwig

4.5.1 Changing credentials for meeting agenda
This idea came from Kovalsky. The group had some discussion, especially with the changes that start in January 2023

#4.6 Membership Director Report (See Report) - Gaa

4.6.1 Moving IATA direct membership from application to calendar year (Appendix E)
This would start on 1/1/2024, and 2023 would be a transition year. Fees would not change. If someone applies after October 1st, it would apply for the remainder of the year and the next year. Would be easier to track members moving forward. President Anderson feels this makes sense and is a lot easier for everyone. Would be a bylaws and P&P amendment. He does not think this requires a constitution change

4.6.2 IATA membership drive (see Report Form for metrics)
Gaa was putting this on the BOD's radar. Last January the IATA was the only state that took the opportunity to reach out to people who did not renew their membership. Our numbers continue to fall. Gaa says there is a 700 number difference between the amount of licensed ATs in Illinois vs the number of IATA members. In July 2020 there were just over 1500 members, certified members being 1171. In July 2022 there were 1073 certified members. Lost nearly 270 members in 2 years. Students accounted for almost 100 of that

#4.6.3 Update ByLaws SECTION 3. VOTING POWER. All certified/licensed members shall be entitled to the right to vote upon all questions submitted to the IATA (New Business)

- 4.7 Region 1 Representative Report (No Report Submitted)** - Wongosari
As reported
- 4.8 Region 2 Representative Report (No Report Submitted)** - Gonzales
As reported
- 4.9 Region 3 Representative Report (No Report Submitted)** - Stanek
Not on call
- 4.10 Region 4 Representative Report (See Report)** - Turner
As reported. A number of region 4 members have been contacting Turner saying they are not receiving e-blasts from Kovalsky. A number of people discussed solutions for this
- 4.11 Governmental Affairs Report (No Report Submitted)** - Durand
Durand has been communicating with the Healthcare attorney about potential problems about interpretation of the new practice act.
- Anderson told us that ISU's risk management lawyer informed their head of AT services their interpretation of the new practice act requiring an updated report to the overseeing physician monthly. Anderson explained a different interpretation of it. The IATA is working with the healthcare attorney to write a position paper on his interpretation (that it's only required upon written referral for AT services and not for every athlete). If there is a position paper from the IATA healthcare attorney for any sort of potential issues moving forward. This will cost a fee but Anderson explained how this will be helpful. It is our responsibility for us to interpret practice act for each employer
- 4.12 Public Relations Director Report (No Report Submitted)** - Ales
Not on call
- 4.13 Development Director Report (See Report)** - Hutchins
Not on call
- #4.14 Communications Director Report (See Report)** - Kovalsky
- 4.14.1 Experiment with only sending Eblasts every other month in 2023
GLATA communications described increased readership by going from monthly to quarterly eblast. Kovalsky feels there is too much info for just a quarterly eblast, but feels every other month would be better to try to attract more readers

4.14.2 Updating Board of Directors Position Guides

Friendly reminder to update these guides as people transition in/out of roles. Kovalsky will be sending those out shortly for updating

4.14.3 Moving the COVID-19 tab under Resources on website

This was done to simplify and streamline the home page

4.14.4 Website redesign is coming this year

Kovalsky would like to solve communication problems and feels the IATA website is in huge need of a re-vamp. This could be costly

#4.14.5 Create and distribute a general membership survey (New Business)

Kovalsky proposes perhaps using some membership money as incentive for filling out survey

4.15 State Rep to GLATA Report (See Report)

- Munjoy

As reported. GLATA meeting coming up on 10/2/22 in Wheeling. More info to come after that meeting

5.0 Reports – Committees

5.1 Finance Committee

- Trinite, et al

As reported earlier

5.2 Committee on Practice Advancement (No Report Submitted)

- Colston

As reported

5.3 Secondary Schools Committee (No Report Submitted)

- Florence/Kremmel

Not on call

5.4 Committee on Leadership and Career Advancement

(CLCA, formally YP) (No Report Submitted)

- Moran

Moran met with his one committee member recently. Moran recognizes there is a need to get more people involved, especially new grads. If any board members know anyone interested in joining, please direct towards application or to Moran

5.5 Committee on Early Career Athletic Trainers

(CECAT, formally Student Congress Advisor) (No Report Submitted)

- Alramhi

Not on call

5.6 Education Committee Report (No Report Submitted)

- Grahovec

As reported

5.7 Archives Committee Report (See Report)

- Jerbi

5.7.1 IATA History (Appendix F)

Jerbi thanked Kovalsky for her help with this. Recommend reading this on the website. Jerbi updated the group on an error on this that will be fixed

5.8 ATs Care Committee Report (See Report)

- Marquez

5.8.1 Training of additional ATs Care Team members

Need to train more people for ATs Care Team. Need to diversify gender, regions, ages, etc. Would need a venue for a 2 day training course. Can this be done with the IATA meeting? Looking for 10-20 people. Marquez asked a number of other questions to the BOD. This is expensive to do at GLATA, which is why she is trying to do this outside of a larger meeting. It was recently done at NATA and was done in 2020 or 2021 but this might not be possible moving forward.

5.8.2 Once established, permission to use a portion of the ATs Care budget to offset costs to members for training if necessary

Trinite confirmed it would be OK to use budget for these types of things

5.9 IATA Veteran Members Committee (No Report Submitted)

- T. Garofalo

Not on call

5.10 IATA Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility Committee (No Report Submitted)

- Noel-London

Not on call

6.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#7.0 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Annual IATA Education Conference and corresponding committee (Renner)

Motion: I move to create an annual IATA Education Conference and create a corresponding committee. (Proposal In appendices)

1st: Renner 2nd: Ludwig

Renner proposed ideas for this. The idea is to engage students and make this geared toward them, with a hope of potentially getting them interested in becoming involved in the profession at higher levels. Garofalo posed a question about catering for both levels of students, as some second year students are out in their immersive setting. Grahoved stated it will be hard to capture everyone and please everyone, but perhaps having it when students will be present might be beneficial. There would not be a cost for anyone if we can obtain sponsorship. This motion is to have a committee. Grahovec advises creating two separate motions - one for the committee and one for the meeting.

Friendly amendment to above motion from Renner: I move to create an IATA education conference committee.

Trinite reminded the group of the fact that there is automatic money for this sort of committee. 11-0-0. Motion passes

7.2 Creating IATA Education Conference (Renner)

Motion: I move to create an IATA Education Conference

1st: Renner 2nd: Ludwig

11-0-0. Motion passes

7.3 2023 & 2024 IATA Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium (Renner)

Motion: I move to host the 2023 IATA Annual Meeting and clinical symposium at the Sheraton Naperville and the 2024 IATA Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium at the Embassy Suites Naperville.

1st: Renner 2nd: Gaa

11-0-0. Motion passes

7.4 IATA Membership Survey Workgroup (Kovalsky)

Motion: I move to create a workgroup with the purpose of designing a general membership survey, open to content from any board member or committee chair, to be administered to the IATA membership in 2022.

1st: Kovalsky 2nd: Renner

Kovalsky is willing to spearhead this workgroup. She recommends adding region reps, membership director, and vice president to the workgroup. Anderson recommends also adding CLCA and DEIA Chairs to this workgroup.

11-0-0. Motion passes

7.5 Amend the current IATA By-Laws Section 3 Voting Power (Gaa)

Motion: I move to amend the current IATA By-Laws Section 3 Voting Power to read, "All certified members shall be entitled to the right to vote upon all questions submitted to the IATA".

1st: Gaa 2nd: Munjoy

11-0-0. Motion passes

President Anderson will send out email after meeting about who can help update the bylaws

8.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS (Informational Only)

8.1 Next Official BOD Meetings: Sunday, 12/4/2022 at 6pm (Zoom)

8.2 Next Newsletter Deadline: 9/25/2022

8.3 Next NATA News Deadline: 9/19/2022 for November 2022

9.0 Adjournment:

Motion: I move to adjourn the meeting. 8:01pm

1st: Munjoy 2nd: Gaa