

**AMTA-WI Board Meeting  
November 9, 2008  
Madison, WI – Best Western Inn Towner**

Meeting called to order at 1:16pm by Amy Remillard.

Board Members and Committee Chairs present: Amy Remillard (President), Kay Peterson (1st VP/Newsletter Editor), Ellen Wittwer (2<sup>nd</sup> VP/Awards), Sara Smiley-Robbins (3<sup>rd</sup> VP/Membership), AnnMarie Kolb (Secretary), Shane Granzow (Treasurer), Betsy Krizenesky (Immediate Past President/ Law & Legislation Chair), Amy Appel (Education Chair).

**Board/Committee Reports**

Approval of minutes. **MOTION:** Kay Peterson moved to approve the minutes from the August 22, 2008 meeting as corrected. Ellen Wittwer seconded. All approved.

**President:** Betsy Krizenesky reported on the Chapter President's Council Meeting that she attended for Amy Remillard at the AMTA National Convention in Phoenix, AZ in September.

Amy Remillard asked that we look at involving the Delegates in Chapter committees in the future. She reported there is a virtual World Massage Therapy Conference in November 17 – 22, 2008. Massage Warehouse Sanctuary raised \$4,140 at the Phoenix convention for the Massage Therapy Foundation.

The AMTA National Marketing Department sent out information to AMTA Members about a web program to help you increase your sales revenues.

**1<sup>st</sup> VP/Newsletter:** Kay Peterson reported the newsletter deadline is November 30<sup>th</sup>. This issue is usually our largest with the delegate reports, budget, etc.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP/Awards:** Ellen Wittwer reported that no one has responded to her pleas for pin design, or award nominees. She would really like to get the nominees from the membership, not just the Board members. Various suggestions were made for how to accomplish member involvement in the process. We will be implementing ideas at the next conference to get more support from the members for the awards.

**3<sup>rd</sup> VP/Membership:** Sara Smiley-Robbins reported that we have 1,759 total members as of November 3, 2008. There are 1,551 Professional members, 13 Schools, 191 Student members and 4 Supporting members.

Sara reported on a student discount program to increase student membership.

**Treasurer:** Shane Granzow reported as of Nov. 9, 2008 we currently have \$27,426.15 in checking at US Bank. We have moved the rest of the money into other investments. The Raymond James Account has been closed.

Amy Remillard asked that all bills be submitted to Shane.

**Immediate Past President/Law & Legislation:** Betsy Krizenesky reported that we should now contact and congratulate our newly elected State Representatives and Senators and get their support for our new bill. The first official draft should be back from the Legislative Reference Bureau any day and then we need to seek authors for it.

**Committee Chairs:**

Amy Appel reported that she has sent the contracts to Ben Benjamin, Kathy Ginn and Kelly Lott for the February Education Conference. The registration form is in the newsletter.

Amy reported the Fall 2009 education Conference will be in LaCrosse, February 2010 in Madison and Fall 2010 in Appleton. She had some presenters in mind that we discussed for the upcoming conferences.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Rules of Engagement:** Amy Remillard asked that Shane Granzow email his suggestions of consequences when the Rules of Engagement are not followed. We will discuss this at the next meeting.

**Disbursement of Funds to a new banking institution:** Shane Granzow reported on various new banks we might like to change over to. Of all the banks he visited and talked to, he found two that he liked the best. He also mentioned AMTA-National's preferred bank, although we are not bound to use it.

**MOTION:** Kay Peterson moved that the checking account with a balance of \$27,426.15, currently held at US Bank be closed. A new account will be opened at JP Morgan & Chase and the funds transferred there. Ellen Wittwer seconded. All approved.

**CPR/First Aid/AED:** Betsy Krizenesky reported that the requirements for renewal of your state license changed after the October Connecting Hands went to print. You do not need professional level CPR courses; any level that certifies you in the use of an AED is sufficient. She presented information on training and fees for both American Heart Association and American Red Cross courses for the chapter to make available to the membership.

**MOTION:** Kay Peterson moved that we offer the American Heart Association classes for our membership on both Saturday and Sunday at the February 2009 Education Conference in Waukesha. Ellen Wittwer seconded. All approved.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**MOTION:** Sara Smiley-Robbins moved that AMTA-WI Chapter adopt the new student membership promotional discount program via email promotion to wave the chapter fee of \$20 through Feb. 28, 2009. Shane Granzow seconded. All approved.

**Mileage rate increase:** Shane Granzow reported that the IRS Mileage reimbursement rate is .585%. Currently the AMTA-WI mileage rate is .485%.

**MOTION:** Shane Granzow moved that we increase the AMTA-WI mileage rate to .585% effective November 10, 2008. Kay Peterson seconded. All approved.

**Budget:** Shane Granzow presented the proposed budget for the 2009 – 2010 fiscal year. The BOD discussed it.

**MOTION:** Shane Granzow moved to adjourn the meeting. Ellen Wittwer seconded. All approved.

Amy Remillard adjourned the meeting at 4:15pm.

Respectfully submitted by AnnMarie Kolb, Secretary.