AMTA-WI Board Meeting September 12, 2009 LaCrosse, WI – LaCrosse Center

Meeting called to order at 7:25pm by Amy Remillard.

Board Members and Committee Chairs present: Amy Remillard (President), Kay Peterson (1st VP/Newsletter Editor/Education), Ellen Wittwer (3rd VP/Awards), AnnMarie Kolb (Secretary), Erin Witthun (3rd Vice President/Outreach) and Betsy Krizenesky (Immediate Past President/ Law & Legislation), Mya Rowe & Amy Appel (Education Committee), Lynn Kutz (Display Board Chair), and Mike Rude (Newsletter Editor)

Approval of Meeting Minutes. **MOTION:** Kay Peterson moved to approve the minutes from July 9, 2009 as corrected. Betsy Krizenesky seconded. All approved.

Board/Committee Reports

President: Amy Remillard reported that we have no membership numbers to report at this time.

1st Vice President/Newsletter Chair: Mike Rude reported that the October Connecting Hands is waiting for corrections.

2nd Vice President/Awards: Ellen Wittwer reported that she will hand out awards tomorrow for the Chapter Meritorious Award and Humanitarian Award. She will also hand out the 25 and 30 year member awards.

3rd Vice President/Outreach: Erin Witthun reported that Amy Remillard organized chair massage for Love 4 Life on August 23, 2009 for the Smith Family in Occonomowoc, WI. The event was very successful. Erin also reported that Betsy Krizenesky will be organizing a day at the Capitol in October for National Massage Therapy Awareness week.

Secretary: AnnMarie Kolb handed out updated Policy Manuals. She asked that we look at them and get updates to her before November. She also reported on the February nomination board, set in the lobby, with information about the upcoming elections.

Education Committee Report: Amy Appel reported that we had a lot of door prize donations this time for our September Education Conference, including a brand new massage table. She reported that we have 39 students here this weekend. The February Conference is February 20-22, 2010 in Madison. The Fall 2010 conference is starting to be put together, looking to have the conference in Appleton.

Immediate Past President/Law & Legislation: Betsy Krizenesky reported that after much waiting, it looks like the circulation memo will be sent out this week (September 14th). Betsy asked that we all contact our state legislators and ask that they be a sponsor for our proposed bill.

Betsy also reported that Tuesday October 27, 2009 will be the Massage Awareness Week event at the State Capital in Madison.

Display Unit Chair: Lynn Kutz reported that she is testing a fix to the current Display Unit. The current unit is still functional; however it is in need of many repairs. She reported on a new banner system/sign system to replace the Display Unit.

Lynn reported that the Yahoo! Group is a great tool to post photos from conferences and other information. She reported that we currently have 49 members on the group, and she would like to see the group double in the next month.

Continuing and New Business

Mike Rude proposed that we change/update the AMTA-WI Chapter Website. He asked that we gather ideas of what we would like to see in a website. He feels we should pay someone professional to design a new website. He also proposed that we have an enewsletter. Much discussion took place. Amy Remillard asked that we all email each other website update ideas to the Board. Have all of them submitted by the November Board Meeting.

Amy Remillard asked who will be attending the November 14 Board of Director meeting. She reminded us that this is the budget meeting, so have your proposals in by then.

Amy Remillard reported that all 4 delegates for the AMTA National Convention in Florida September 23-26, 2009 will be in attendance at tomorrows Chapter meeting.

Amy Remillard reported that she received Shane Granzow's resignation letter on August 29, 2009.

MOTION: Kay Peterson moved to accept Shane Granzow's resignation. Erin Witthun seconded. All approved.

MOTION: Ellen Wittwer moved to adjourn the meeting. Erin Witthun seconded. All approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20pm by Amy Remillard

CLOSED MEETING: To discuss the resignation of Shane Granzow.

Respectfully submitted by AnnMarie Kolb, Secretary