



## **BUSINESS MEETING**

**OCTOBER 2, 2021**

12:00 – 1:00 PM - VIRTUAL

### **MINUTES**

Meeting Called to Order

Alec Kay, President

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes – October 17, 2020 – Approved.

### **REPORTS**

1. President Report Alec Kay, President
  - a. Encourage Members to Continue to Communicate.
  - b. Address Coronavirus Pandemic.
  - c. APTA is officially an Anti-Racist Organization.
  - d. Strategic Plan- Goals Include Make APTA Alaska more Inclusive for PTAs, Better Membership Support, Increase PR Activities.
  - e. Move Profession Forward using our Reach Potential Patients, Decrease Healthcare Costs.
  - f. Advocate at Local, State, and National Level.
  - g. Thank you to Member Volunteers.
2. Treasurer Report Chad Ross, Treasurer
  - a. Current Assets: \$175,650 split between Cash and Investment Accounts.
  - b. Main Revenue Source Are Member Dues, Conference Registration.
3. Chief Delegate Report Rebecca Byerley, Chief Delegate
  - a. House of Delegates – Election of Leadership, Approved New Bylaw Amendments, Advocacy at the Capitol.
  - b. PTAs Eligible to have Votes in House of Delegates.
  - c. APTA Committed to Facilitate Diversity, Inclusion, Equity.
4. Federal and State Government Affairs Report LeeAnne Carrothers, State Government Affairs Chair and FAL
  - a. 2021
    - i. Centennial Resolution Acknowledgement by Sen. Revak and Sen. Shaw.
    - ii. Bill HB 99 – Practice Act Bill Primed to Go to Senate Next Year.
    - iii. SB 47 – PT, OT, Speech can Now Certify Permits for Accessible Parking.
  - b. 2022
    - i. Sunset Year for Practice Act.
    - ii. Working on Joining PT Compact for Licensure.
    - iii. Exploration of Adding Imaging to Practice Act.
    - iv. Advocacy Day on Capitol Hill – Medicare Fee Schedule Cuts to PT/PTA Services Reduced from 11% to 3.5%.
    - v. Telehealth – Federally Approved Until End of Year with Emergency Declaration. Bill Within Alaska to Continue PT Services via Telehealth was Shelved.
    - vi. Allied Health Workforce Diversity Act Co-Sponsored by Sen. Murkowski.
    - vii. Primary Health Services Enhancement Act – PTs can Work at Primary Health Centers can Bill Medicare.

- viii. Allow PTs to Enter Locums Tenens Arrangements for Medicare.
  - ix. Regulatory Update - \$25.5 Billion In Additional COVID Funding for Healthcare Providers.
  - x. Make your Voice Heard by Utilizing APTA Legislative Center.
- 5. Nominating Committee Report Nicole Taniguchi, Nominating Committee Chair
  - a. Board will Appoint PTA Caucus Representative for Remainder of Election Cycle After Jan 1, 2021 per Bylaws.  
Nominating Committee will Present Candidates to the Board.
  - b. Vice President Candidates – Leah Einhorn.
  - c. Secretary Candidates – Meera Parekh.
  - d. Nominating Committee – Kaitlyn Rosales (Frienmuth), Rachel Jermann.
- 6. Practice & Payment Committee Report Katie Piraino, Practice & Payment Chair
  - a. Will be Sent to Members Via E-Mail Blast.
  - b. Please Contact Payment Chair with Questions through APTA Website or  
Katie.Piraino@thephysicaltherapyplace.com.
- 7. Membership Update Rachel Jermann, Membership Chair
  - a. 446 Members.
  - b. APTA is Offering a Monthly Payment Plan for Dues.

## NEW BUSINESS

- A. Recognition of Outgoing Board Members, Membership Anniversaries and Awards Kay
  - 1. Les Harpel and Hal Egbert – 50 Years!
  - 2. Lucy Blair Service Award – Contributed to Profession and Association in an Exemplary Way – LeeAnne Carrothers and Rebecca Byerley
  - 3. Contact Awards Committee to Recognize Colleagues for APTA Alaska Members A
- B. Call for Nominations / Committee Members Kay
- C. PT Moves Me Campaign Kay
  - 1. Volunteers to Promote Profession of Physical Therapy to Underrepresented Populations.
- D. Member Announcements
  - 1. Members Interested in Developing Region should Contact APTA Alaska Board.
  - 2. Stay Tuned for October Activity Challenge.

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