

American Physical Therapy Association

Academic Council Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

January 26, 2012
Conference Call

Present:

Leslie Portney, DPT, PhD, FAPTA	President
Terry Nordstrom, PT, EdD	Vice President
David L Somers, PhD, PT	Secretary
Nancy B. Reese, PT, PhD, MHSA	Treasurer
James R. Carey, PhD, PT	Director
Susan S. Deusinger PT, PhD, FAPTA	Director
Diane U. Jette, PT, DSc	Director
Thomas P. Mayhew, PT, PhD	Director
Barbara Sanders, PT, PhD, SCS, FAPTA	Director

Staff:

Lisa Ruane	Sr. Director, Member and Component Relations
Lisa McLaughlin	Component Governance and Leadership Specialist

Guest

Shawne E. Soper, PT, DPT, MBA	Speaker of the House
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A regular meeting of the Academic Council (AC) Board of Directors was called to order by President Leslie Portney at 1:03 PM (Eastern Time).

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Nine of nine board members attending, a quorum was present.

FINAL – PASSED (Sanders)

V-1 That the minutes from November 17, 2011, Board of Director’s meeting be accepted.

Support Statement:

No corrections, objections or amendments were offered to the revised, distributed minutes.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GRAHAM SESSIONS

Nancy Reese and Diane Jette reported that models of clinical education, accrediting clinical sites and the cost of clinical education were prominently discussed. Licensure solutions to support new models of clinical education, standardizing the quality of clinical sites and decreasing the cost of education by shortening the length of the curriculum were also discussed. There was a sense from board members that a building inertia for addressing clinical education is occurring and AC must take the lead in promoting evidence-based models.

It was decided that clinical education models will be on the February board meeting agenda. We will discuss existing proposals, what data is needed to address this issue and the possibility of sponsoring some studies to acquire that data.

UPDATE ON ELC 2012 PLANNING

Susie Deusinger reported that the new location will be in Connecticut because of less than optimal conditions in Rhode Island. Lisa McLaughlin will send out communication about transportation from LaGuardia (nearest airport) to Greenwich. There will be a save this date distributed at CSM and a call for submission issued by February 27. The submission deadline via an electronic dropbox is April 2, the review process will end on April 27 and notification to submitters will occur on May 10. AC members who worked on the last ELC will be part of the review of proposals process. The BOD is invited to make a suggestion about a keynote speaker (immediately) to address the main theme (partnerships) of the conference. Some decisions regarding ELC:

- The business meeting will include a state of the union-like address to the constituents to help frame the issues.
- The business meeting will be four hours in length.
- Pending further evaluation of the issues, the meeting may be divided into a two-hour block for open discussion and a two-hour block for action items.
- Forward to Susie any schedule ideas that will enable constituents to attend sessions of interest (e.g. kind of programming opposite the rather popular business).
- The business meeting will include Memorial recognition (moment of silence) to honor education section and AC institutional members (regardless of APTA membership) who died between September 1 and August 30. Leslie will work with Lisa to draft and distribute a communication and APTA will examine their records to identify honorees
- Updates to be given (e.g. PT PAC) will be part of the schedule/itinerary.

PROMOTION OF EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (ELI)

The process of selecting the second cohort is ongoing. Jodi Frost requested support from the AC. Several roles (e.g. recognizing ELI graduates at ELC) and potential funding from the AC were discussed (e.g. small grants to support ELI participants completing an AC project). Susie and Nancy will have a discussion with Jodi to further explore the possibilities. Susie will make initial contact with Jodi, and the BOD will discuss high priority projects that might be amenable at our February board meeting.

SUPPORT OF OREGON PROPOSED MOTION TO 2012 HOD ON POST PROFESSIONAL

EDUCATION.

A draft of an HOD motion proposing that a feasibility study be conducted to determine if postgraduate training should be the standard of education was sent to Leslie by Tasha MacIlveen, Oregon (ATTACHMENT 1). Shawne described the process for acting on the motion if it was passed by the HOD and suspected that the AC would become involved as a resource/content expert for the APTA BOD in carrying out the motion. Board members believed the AC should be involved at the beginning of this sequence rather than after the motion has passed. This may likely happen as part of the normal process for considering a motion by the reference committee. It is customary for the reference committee of the HOD to refer motion authors to an appropriate source of information/opinion and the AC represents that for education.

An ancillary question was addressed. If the AC were to make a position statement in response to a developing motion for the HOD or on any educational issue, could that position stand? It was believed that as a council for the APTA BOD, the position would have to come back to the APTA BOD. Once AC becomes a component, position statements can be made independently. Even as a component, however, making the position a definitive policy for the profession would require an HOD vote. Either way, an AC position statement may not conflict with existing positions of the APTA.

Regarding the Oregon motion, Leslie will contact Tasha to see if the authors are willing to bring the issue/motion to the AC and allow our constituents to consider it during the October business meeting at ELC. Shawne indicated that she would be alert to educational-based issues and refer authors to the AC.

PT NOW PORTAL

This source for evidence-based practice was presented to Barb Sanders, Susie Deusinger and Dave Somers. There was consensus that PT NOW could likely be a resource for educational programs. In addition, faculty members could participate in the writing of reviews and CAPTE indicated they would consider that as scholarship. No action is required now, but the AC will stay abreast of the development of the tool. On release of the instrument, the AC will likely be asked to promote the tool with faculty members who have an interest in producing the scholarly reviews.

REVIEW OF DRAFT AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 7, 2012 BOARD MEETING (ATTACHMENT 2)

It was decided to extend the February 7, 2012 board meeting into the evening. Dinner will be provided (tentative). Items to be added to the agenda are: clinical education, new structure for the APTA, itinerary for council meeting at CSM and projects amenable for ELI experiences. BOD members should have their reports about the strategic plan distributed in writing by February 6. AC will send representatives to the clinical education special interest group (Susie) and the academic faculty special-interest group (Dave). For the latter, the BOD would like to see that group formerly involved in the Council (e.g. Consortium).

REVIEW OF DRAFT PROGRAM FOR ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEMBERS MEETING (ATTACHEMENT 3)

To be discussed at February 7 board meeting.

NEXT MEETINGS (ALL EST)

Board of Directors

At 2012 CSM

February 7, 2012

12:30-8:00 p.m. Hilton Astoria
(please note time change)

Academic Council

At 2012 CSM

February 9, 2012

7:00-9:00 p.m. Hilton Chicago:
Continental C room

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Somers

Secretary

ATTACHMENT 1 - OREGON DRAFT HOD MOTION

“That the APTA, in concert with appropriate entities, conduct a feasibility study for the physical therapy profession to move to postgraduate training as the standard of education, with a report back to the 2013 House of Delegates. The feasibility study should discuss how current models of postgraduate training, such as internships, residencies, mentorships, and fellowships, may serve as models for development of a standardized post-professional education system. Building on current parallel efforts within the profession in regards to postgraduate training, the study will identify key stake holders, creating a cohesive and comprehensive evaluation of the readiness of the physical therapy profession to adopt postgraduate training as the standard of education. The feasibility study should also include a recommendation for inclusion or exclusion of postgraduate training as a key concept in the new APTA vision statement.”

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Academic Council Board Meeting

AGENDA for February 7, 12:30-4:30PM (central), Hilton: Astoria room

Lunch will be served.

1. Call the meeting to order. (Leslie)
2. Approve minutes from January 26, 2011, Board meeting. (Dave) ATTACHMENT 1
3. Discussion of Academic Council goal to “establish, influence and interpret legislation and policy related to academic physical therapy.” Invited guest: Mandy Frohlich, director of federal government affairs.
4. Comments from the president of the education section, Peggy Gleeson
5. Update from director of department of accreditation, Mary Jane Harris
 - Status of APTA and CAPTE organizational structure potential change
 - Discuss moving forward with representative from Academic Council board on CAPTE central panel
 - Potential changes in the information in the directory of accredited programs
 - CAPTE will soon be communicating reasons for positive decisions. CAPTE is interested in input from the educational community so they may best implement this change.
6. Comments from president of the student assembly, Colleen Sullivan
7. Financial Report (Nancy)
 - ELC 2011 financials. ATTACHMENT 2
 - 2011 Year-end financials for Academic Council. ATTACHMENT 3
8. Discussion to update strategic plan. ATTACHMENT 3
9. Discussion of APTA Section resources for curriculum development. On APTA’s website, resources are available from the following sections: clinical electrophysiology and wound management, geriatrics, neurology, pediatrics, and women’s health. (Leslie)
10. Review draft program (not intended for member distribution in advance of the meeting) for Feb 9 members meeting. (Leslie)

11. Set conference call dates for 2012. (Leslie)

Announcement:

Rick Segal, nominating committee chair, will be speaking at the Feb 9 members meeting. Here are key dates: 1) **Apr 1** target for call for candidates, 2) **May 15** deadline for candidates to express interest, 3) **Jun 30** deadline for candidate info (consent to serve, bio, and response to question), 4) **Aug 15** publish slate 4) **Nov 4** voting open (electronic), and 5) **Week of Nov 19** election results available.

Upcoming meetings:

Feb 9, 7-9PM (central), Hilton: Continental C, Academic Council members meeting*
Oct 5-7, Education Leadership Conference, Providence, RI

*times slightly adjusted from when originally communicated

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Academic Council Members Meeting

*Thursday, February 9, 2012
Hilton Chicago: Continental C room*

Program

- 7:00PM Reception*
- 7:30 Welcome, introductions, opening comments and updates (Leslie)*
- 7:45 Update and discussion on priority objectives to:*
- Set benchmarks for excellence. (Diane)
 - Develop a framework for physical therapist academic and clinical education to lead educational innovation in response to changes in health care and higher education. (Susie)
 - Create an organizational structure that allows for representation of all stakeholders including clinical faculty and PTA educators. (Tom and Terry)
 - Develop a system of communication between Academic Council and relative constituencies and collaborators. (Dave and Barb)
 - Plan for financial independence of Academic Council. (Nancy)
 - Achieve component status within APTA. (Leslie)
- 8:45 Announcements*
- *Elections for Academic Council Board (Rick Segal)*
 - *ELC 2012 in Providence, RI, Oct 5-7. (Susie)*
 - *Visit the PT Now clinician portal booth in the exhibit hall. Learn what is being developed to make it easier to find the best available evidence and apply it in patient care. (?)*
- 9:00 Close*