

American Physical Therapy Association

AC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2012
Greenwich, Connecticut

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

Guests:

John Barnes	Chief Executive Officer, APTA
Janet Bezner, PT, PhD	Vice President, Education and Governance, APTA
Laurita Hack, PT, DPT, MBA, PhD, FAPTA	Secretary, APTA
Paul Rockar, PT, DPT, MS	President, APTA

Staff:

Lisa McLaughlin	Executive Director, APTA Academic Council
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A regular meeting of the Academic Council (AC) Board of Directors was called to order by President Leslie Portney at 10:05 AM (Eastern Time).

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

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

DEBRIEF FROM ELC

AC sessions within ELC were generally perceived to be productive. In general, broader distribution of information concerning the development of a flexible share division of clinical education is required. An incremental approach to distributing the discussion points from ELC (e.g. first to participants of ELC, then to the AC, then to the APTA, then full broader clinical education community, etc.) will be used. Dave Somers will share the tables with Susan Meyer and ask for input on the best way to incrementally distribute and seek feedback on the

information generated at ELC.

NEXT STAGES AGES FOR THE SUMMIT

The steps for the development of the flexible, shared vision were discussed. The distribution of the tables from the present meeting has now been added to the sequence described at the business meeting. The steps for the development are:

- Send the tables to the facilitators who will accuracy check and then generate a written summary for distribution and posting.
- Distribute the tables to the participants of ELC in a blog like fashion for feedback (subsequent incremental process to be worked out with Susan Meyer).
- Generate a call for position papers using the summary of the tables and the feedback received.
 - A preliminary literature search of existing information should be done (help from the APTA BOD was offered; Archivist Gini Glodgett).
 - A proposal paper advisory group of educational experts who also attended ELC 2012 will be established to help with the development of the position paper call. The members of this advisory group will be determined by the steering committee and the consulting group.
 - It will be necessary to find good writer(s) to lead the individual position papers so that there is a key author who can take the lead and receive input from a broader group of co-authors. One model is the JOSPT guideline papers
 - A call for position paper lead authors should go out immediately. Dave and Lisa McLaughlin will develop an application that will gather information about who potential authors are, the constituency they represent, where they work, and if they have previously published (necessary to help identify lead authors). The application will also contain space for people to indicate they wish to serve as an author but not be the lead author. Laurie Hack will send a similar application used by the Research Section for use as a model. The application will indicate the intent to publish the position papers.
 - Publishing the position papers within the Education Section Journal will cost in the neighborhood of \$14,000. Care must be taken to identify the papers accurately as opinion, evidence, etc. so that the Journal accurately identifies the papers if they are ultimately published there.
- Webinars will then be arranged. The makeup (focused on one group or comprised of representatives from several groups) will be determined through discussion with Susan Meyer and analysis of the ELC discussion tables.
- Dave will discuss with Susan Meyer the logistics of putting together the summit and the format to be used.
- Dave will generate a schematic of the process to help people understand the timeline and steps for the generation of the vision.

The groups working on the flexible shared vision are now three:

- A consulting group comprised of those who are funding the summit and CAPTE (Maggie

Donahue , FSBPT; Peggy Gleason/Corrie Odom, Education Section; Janet Bezner, APTA; Shawne Sopper or alternative board representative, APTA; Martha Hinman from the Central Panel of CAPTE). These individuals will be solicited for their participation and a clear role will be determined for the consulting group overall. This group will meet with the steering committee periodically to ensure the process leading up to the summit is consistent with the vision of the funders for the summit.

- A steering committee to move the process forward (Dave Somers, Leesa DiBartlola, Corrie Odom, Jan Gwyer, Jody Cormack and Valerie Teglia)
- A position paper advisory group (to be determined by the steering committee and consulting group).

DISCUSSION OCCURRING AT THE BUSINESS MEETING

The motions and positions presented at the business meeting were reviewed. Terry Nordstrom will have discussions with CESIG concerning the terminology for clinical education experiences (motion definitely postponed until the business meeting next year). The motions/positions from the business meeting will be posted to the ELC website and the newsletter.

The discussion broadened into communication issues in general. Several decisions were made:

- The newsletter should have an article describing the business meeting.
- JOPTe would be willing to entertain a position paper or commentary on the approved position of new physical therapist education programs (3-4 pages; earliest in the spring issue).
- Several board members will also put together a podcast (Terry will lead) describing the positions and motions that occurred at ELC.

TASK FORCES

Four task forces were identified:

- A task force in response to the motion passed concerning physical therapist entry-level curricula related to physical therapist as expert providers of exercise and physical activity prescription.
- A task force to address issues of diversity in student recruitment, admissions and retention.
- The task force for people who could serve to help build the website now that a vendor will be chosen shortly.
- The people who helped to develop the motion for terminology of clinical education experiences that was definitely postponed until the next business meeting will serve as the task force for communicating with CESIG and revising the motion as needed.

A charge for the task force concerning expert providers of exercise and physical activity prescription will be developed by Diane Jette (Exercise physiology). Janet Bezner will ask Libby Ross to develop a draft charge for the diversity task force and forward that onto Terry Nordstrom. Both charges will be sent to Lisa McLaughlin who will send a specific "blast" to the AC membership which includes language indicating that any faculty member from a member

institution may serve. The newsletter will contain information indicating that these charges will be forthcoming in an e-mail with a general call for volunteers to participate in the task forces.

Additional communications needed for the newsletter were discussed. Leslie Portney will submit her presidential address for the newsletter. A summary paragraph of the AC BOD will be written by Jim Carey (also include motion below). A summary of the business meeting for the AC will be written by Diane Jette. Dave Somers will write an article for the newsletter describing what happened with regard to the flexible, shared vision of clinical education and Tom Mayhew will review. All information must be to Lisa by October 25.

The discussion broadened to the length of the business meeting. It was agreed that the business meeting should be scheduled for a longer period of time, perhaps occurring on a day prior to ELC programming. Some open discussion occurring outside of the parliamentary process (caucus or intentionally suspending rules for discussion) may be helpful.

BUDGET

FINAL – PASSED (Reese)

V-1 For the 2013 budget, reallocate \$29,000 budgeted for board stipends to other major activities of the Council to further the strategic plan.

Support statement:

The board believes that it is important to further the strategic plan with the allocated funds.

COMMUNICATION WITH COUNCIL

Several communication issues were discussed throughout the different topics. In addition APTA has multiple resources for board development. Social media and constant reflections on multiple forms of communication has been very helpful within the APTA.

WEBSITE

A vendor from the website will be selected following input from technical folks at APTA and Duquesne in the week following ELC .

UPDATE ON AMERICAN BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY RESIDENCY AND FELLOWSHIP EDUCATION (ABPTRFE)

The group would like to know if it would be possible to find a place for their conference-based activities at ELC and if an association with AC would make sense. There were no objections. Further discussions are needed which would likely include the Education Section.

STATE LIAISON TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Barb Sanders will work up a grid of state delegates to distribute to the board so that we can

develop liaison relationships in preparation for HOD motions relevant to the AC. It was desired that board members who start these liaison relationships should continue on in that capacity even if they do not hold office with the new elections.

ELECTIONS AND TRANSITION TO NEW OFFICERS

There will be a need to develop strategies for informing new board members of the ongoing efforts of the present board. A strategy to smooth the transition will need to be developed for our joint meeting with the new board in January at CSM. We also need to design the installation process (e.g. oath?).

The board believes it would be wise to shift the installation of officers to ELC which would involve moving the nominating/voting sequence earlier (including perhaps a meet and greet at annual conference in June?). Another alternative would be to hold the elections at ELC (with a possibility to electronically vote early). The new board can take this issue up.

Lisa will communicate to all candidates running for office the timing of the AC board meeting on Monday, January 21 at CSM and of the expectation that they will be able to attend should they be elected.

EXCELLENCE GROUP

Diane Jette reported that this board sponsored workgroup met at ELC and began to lay out goals. They will rely heavily on the benchmark indicators previously distilled by the excellence work group. Previous efforts at excellence initiatives will be forwarded to the group. Also, the outcomes survey Diane Jette distributed has been qualitatively analyzed and will be published in the near future. This could serve as a good resource.

NEXT MEETINGS

Board of Directors

Conference call(s)	TBD	
At CSM	Monday, January 21, 2013	8:00 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. (EST)

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Somers
Secretary