

MTAM Meeting Minutes – August 3, 2017

In attendance: Claire Klein, Christy Holland, Jen Hicks, Melissa Hentges, Michelle Sieben, Melissa Spiess, Amy Furman, Kendri Scarborough

Meeting began: 7:09pm

Motion to approve July Minutes by Michelle
All in favor
Motion passed

Motion to approve agenda by Christy
All in favor
Motion Passed

Officer reports

President

- Sign cards... Congrats to Michelle on internship, Thanks to Jody for Duluth event
- Duluth planning details
 - We may need to specifically invite some people to bump up our numbers
 - Ask people to have some songs prepared

Past President

- Finalization of ballot for 2018-2019
 - Pres Elect: Stephanie Holman
 - VP: Megan Druckrey
 - Secretary: Erin Heidemann, Jessica Nagel
 - Treasurer: Amber Stefan
 - Public Relations: Cassandra Nickell, (Brianna Larson/Buesing?)
- Ballot must be sent out by Aug 23rd
- Nominations due by Aug 11th

President Elect

- Internship stipend
 - Motion made to award the internship stipend to Alannah Forstner
 - All in favor
 - Motion passed
- Pete had asked why we don't allow people to apply for the scholarship after the mid-point of their internship
 - It keeps applications coming in at reasonable pace
 - Let's remind internship directors and MT faculty that they should tell interns when they are offered a position that these scholarships are available and they need to apply for the one that occurs before the mid-point of their internship **which may mean applying before they start**

Vice President

- Conference planning
 - Food
 - Michelle contacted both Breaking Bread and Southside Café and is waiting to hear back
 - If we don't hear back by the time the CBMT materials are ready we will go with Panera
 - Accommodations for speaker
 - She will be making her own accommodations and we will be reimbursing her
 - Speaker Rate
 - Judy is not asking for an honorarium as this is part of her job with AMTA
 - We will cover 2 hotel nights - come in on Friday, leave Sunday
 - We will reimburse her for airfare
 - Would we be interested in having Dena (WV) or Kimberly (FL) from CBMT join her?
 - Yes, the dual perspectives of AMTA and CBMT and will help us cover general advocacy in the field and licensure
 - We have the funds in our savings to cover the added expense
 - Motion made to allow Judy to extend an invitation to either Dena or Kimberly by Jen
 - All in favor
 - Motion passed
 - We discussed increasing the cost of this conference to help cover costs but decided not to because "advocacy" may not be a topic that immediately draws people in and a more expensive conference could deter people who are on the fence about attending
 - #EverydayAdvocacy
- Keep in mind Narrative Therapy as a future topic

Secretary

- No report

PR:

- **Promote! Promote! Promote!** Outstate Outreach/Music Therapy Shindig Updates ~ Facebook events, posts, emails
 - The more we interact with posts, the more they become visible
- Election Updates ~ "Two Truths and a Lie" posts, final reminder email
- Fall Conference ~ "Save the Date" now, photo and info for posts after CBMT approval
- Re-sent Call to Action from Barb Else – conference starts Monday
- Continue to get lots of job posts, more people wanting to be part of the private practice list

- Upcoming Posts/Emails ~ Augustana internship site, back to school, internship stipend recipient feature, newsletter submissions
- Sending out Google Doc link to the Policy and Procedures Manual so we can all edit the same document
 - Start working on your section – we want to have this finished to pass on to the incoming board!

Treasurer

- Membership
 - 21 student members
 - 82 professional members
 - 4 lifetime members (Bill Webb, Roberta Kagin, Bridget Doak and Kay Leudtke-Smith)
 - Total: 107 members
- Accounts
 - TCF : \$988.71
 - Petty Cash: \$225.00
 - Paypal: \$8,639.63
 - TOTAL : \$9,853.43
- Income:
 - \$137.00 from Membership
- Expenditures:
 - AMTA scholarships coming up: \$235 and \$370
- Other:
 - Transferred \$8000 to TCF account
 - Please remove MTAM Treasury email from general MTAM mailing list

Website

- Website went down on Monday
- Still trying to find out what went wrong and how to fix it
- Contacted Krista to see if she can help
- Let's send something out to membership if it isn't up and running by Monday, to let them know that the website is down but we are working on it and to follow our Facebook page for updates

Government Relations

- Task Force will be meeting early August
- Thank you again for doing the advocacy topic for conference
- Email from Jen titled Call to Action to help people reach out to legislatures
- Let's come up with "Advocacy Action Items" that we can do during the breaks during conference
 - Helping people find out their Senator and Rep
 - Finding talking points or connections to start conversations

Reimbursement

- No Report

Newsletter

- Planning to publish mid-October
- Submissions due Oct. 6th

Members-At-Large

- No Report

Next Meeting: Fall Conference

Motion to adjourn by Claire

All in favor

Motion passed

Meeting adjourned: 8:40pm