

# Music Therapy Association Meeting

## Monday, June 8, 2015

In Attendance: Amy Furman, Michelle Sieban, Krista Okins, Jessica De Villers, Lyndie Walker, Peter Meyer, Melissa Hirokawa, Dan Anderson

Unofficial notes:

- Thank you so much Krista and Pete for making the celebration for Bill Webb for GLR!
- We got a thank you card from Kristin Conrad for the
- Mike is making final payments and Christina and Jessica are making final reports then good bye GLR. Awesome people. Good turn out (425ish).

### ***Action items written like this.***

Calling of meeting to order! 7:12pm

Pete – motion

Claire – 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed with verbal

#### 1.) Approval of minutes from state meeting

Amy – motion

Claire – 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed with verbal

-Most of the meeting was spent addressing licensure questions

#### 2.) Officer/committee updates

##### a. Melissa Hirokawa – Government Relations

- i. Bills were introduced on May 16 by Sen. Hoffmann and Rep. Newton
  1. Rep. Schultz seemed not the right fit for us and Rep. Newton has interests that coincide well with what we do!
- ii. Have been corresponding with Fraser Public Policy special and HHS lobbyist Matthew Bergeron and got a lot of helpful insights.
- iii. Government relations from Park Nicollet/ Health Partners/ Regions is interested in getting input
  1. Some MT-BCs from those facilities were unaware of our efforts so far
  2. Have given them all kinds of information
  3. Amy will send a letter to them
  4. Todd sent a draft letter
  5. Melissa is following up about meeting with them
- iv. For next year
  1. First week of March is first week of session 2016 (Short session)

2. Connect with larger facilities with MT about utilizing their lobbyist
  3. Ready for the long haul
    - a. National is working to prepare for pushback from SLPs
  4. Find more co-authors
    - a. MT-BCs that went to school with Rep. Mack
  5. Do we have to go through Council of Healthboards?
  6. Handed out advocacy folders to all legislators
    - a. Included postcards from GLR
    - b. Reimburse Claire for folders
      - i. Pete moved
      - ii. Melissa 2<sup>nd</sup>
      - iii. Passed with verbal vote
  7. Update website with current forms (on password protected area) – **Melissa send to Krista**
    - a. National overview
    - b. Please Support
    - c. 2015 legislative update
    - d. Other ways to keep in touch
      - i. Updates on Facebook
      - ii. E-mails to all MN MT-BCs – **Melissa send to Andrea**
      - iii. Leading up to fall conference and at fall conference – invite people to help us (people noticed the support at the hearings; have )
      - iv. **Townhall meetings – Melissa host throughout the summer/ fall**
- b. Dan Anderson - Treasury report
- i. 30 members, \$10,000 – **Board members double check your membership status**
    1. Usually have about 130 members
    2. Slow because no spring conference
  - ii. Giving out a lot of scholarships
    1. No applicants for student GLR
    2. Did not give out instrument replacement scholarship
    3. Advertise these more via emails and Facebook - **Andrea**
  - iii. Dan got a new bag to store the Swag – Jessica approved.
  - iv. Got \$10 from the Employee Giving Campaign – **Dan report at next conference and thank!**
  - v. **Krista - investigate PayPal buttons to confirm email address and name**
  - vi. Taxes done with the 990 and re-registered as a 501(c)3
  - vii. Budget – Supposed to allocate 50% of our funds for giving away – **Dan to send the actual spending form (in and out) and we all help to create a budget document; Jessica – send GLR budget to Dan as a template**

1. Public Relations - Scholarships
  2. Vice President - Conferences
  3. Government Relations - Advocacy
  4. President – conference attendance
  5. Other - Office supplies
  6. etc.....
- c. Michelle Sieban – Vice President
- i. Doing our 5 year CBMT audit for providing
    1. Almost all documents for the Brain Tuning conference – **Michelle send Dr. Garner email to get his resume**
    2. Melissa Wenzell handled the NMT assessment and documentation, June 2012 and missing most of these documents – only have 3 of the 6 documents – **Pete email Melissa and cc Michelle**
  - ii. Fall conference
    1. Topics of Interest:
      - a. Specific population would be limiting to attendance
      - b. NMT mentioned but may also be limiting. Had NMT conference in 2005, 2012, and 2013
      - c. Something brain related
        - i. Integrated learning symptoms and listening – Elizabeth Grambsch (Tomatis method) but these require special technology and training but builds awareness
        - ii. Evelyn Stragenmeyer – may be able to speak
      - d. Improv (but just did this) but perhaps that conference did not go deeper
      - e. Use of technology - Had a couple of years ago iMT
        - i. In practice
        - ii. In marketing/ blogging
      - f. Self care/ Relaxation (did recently)
      - g. Continued discussion of copyright issues
      - h. Reimbursement – Judy Simpson
      - i. Counseling or therapy techniques
        - i. Dr. Hilliard – abbreviated version of his HPMT counseling module (applies to everybody); may be ask him to do a hospice thing the day before; include Orff techniques – **Michelle email him; Amy follow up shortly after; Michelle email Dawn**
          1. Guidelines for negotiations: Stipend, airfare, and hotel stay; meals included at conference (Top \$2000) – at first leave vague
          - ii. Tracey Richardson
          - iii. Amy Madson & Annie Heiderschiet

2. Dates:
    - a. End of September/ October (try to avoid the 9/27; 10/10), probably October 17<sup>th</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup> – see what Dr. Hilliard’s schedule is
    - b. Avoid national conference in November
  3. Places:
    - a. Augsburg – toooooo expensive
    - b. HOTC – free (donation) – **Michelle contact Elizabeth Giffin about scheduling**
  - d. Pete Meyer - Past President
    - i. Elections for 2016 -- Do you want to run for anything? Bios sent out by August 1 - **Pete to contact some of these folks; Pete write to send to Andrea to send to membership**
      1. President-elect
        - a. Christina Wood ?????? – **Jessica and Pete to bug**
        - b. Christina Brantner
      2. Treasurer
        - a. Julia Elbers
        - b. Anna Roberts
      3. Vice President
        - a. Michelle Sieban
        - b. Josh Osbourn
      4. Secretary
        - a. Melissa Hentges
        - b. Amber Stefan
      5. Public Relations
        - a. Jennifer Hicks
        - b. Andrea Yun
      6. Other positions are appointed
    - ii. Lifetime Achievement Award – **Andrea to send out info for nominations with conference info email**
      1. Kay Leudtke-Smith – president, 50 interns, internship trainer – Pete to find a nominator for her
    - iii. Service Award
      1. **Claire will nominate Todd Schwartzberg**
  - e. President-Elect
    - i. Internship stipend due July 31 – **spread the word Andrea**
- 3.) YAY GLR! --- Great staff; great hotel!! WAY TO GO!!!!
  - a. People liked the entertainment
    - i. Like Paul and Annie ☺
  - b. Didn’t really use the website
  - c. More Pete Meyer Sessions!
- 4.) Brian Satterlee fundraiser
  - a. Better Than Karaoke Band up for it – charge a \$1 minimum a tune to sing; Mark Burnett said he’d play; other bands to play (No Man String Band – Melissa Hentges)

- b. \$5 at the door
  - c. Venue – Driftwood Sharbar willing to donate their space
  - d. Silent Auction???
  - e. After his surgery, contact his daughter to organize it through – may be a date in July/ August
  - f. He was very appreciative and he is hanging in there, probably not back to work until September
- 5.) Reimbursement – Member survey regarding FAQ
- a. Already had survey conducted by Todd and Task Force with some of these questions
    - i. ***Melissa send results to Christina to see if it meets her needs***
    - ii. ***Christina – contact Amy before calling Judy***
    - iii. This survey also includes locations of where people work so that private practice MTBCs know where to ask/ where not to ask – What do we want to do with this information? – ***Melissa send this list to Krista to post online***
    - iv. Did not include salary information
    - v. Did not include all questions about reimbursement that we wanted to
  - b. Lyndie is amazing for getting reimbursement from Blue Cross Blue Shield for a client she saw!!!
- 6.) Mission Statement Writing
- a. Approved provider – needs updated mission by August 1
  - b. Took Values, things we do well, and things we want to grow in from members and divided in to categories
  - c. Now put in to a few sentences
  - d. **Lyndie – send mission/ vision statements from other non-profits**
  - e. **Claire – send out words for us to start going over via email**
  - f. Vision – what you want to do; Mission – how you want to get there
- 7.) Other Business – Monday, July 20 at 7pm – venue TBD!
- a. Zombies.

Moved to adjourn: 9:15

Michelle – motion

Dan- 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed with verbal vote

Dan OK to buy a folder/organizer to help keep track of receipts

Pete – motion

Respectfully submitted,

Claire M Klein, MT-BC

President-elect