

MTAM Meeting– 2/18/19

Attendance: Stephanie Hubbard, Michelle Sieben, Megan Druckrey, Jessica Nagel, Claire Klein, Jess De Villers. Amber Stefan and Brianna Larsen (call in)

Motion to approve agenda - Motion passed

Motion to approve January Minutes - Motion passed

President's Update

- Michelle has asked Lindsay Markworth if Augsburg wants to co-host a banquet with MTAM in honor of Roberta Kagin
- Michelle will put together MN state report to share at GLR
 - Michelle will include an update about the success of our new professional scholarship system
 - Amber will send updated Treasure's report by March 8th
 - Gov. Relations Taskforces will send update by March 8th
 - Stephanie will send a write up about internship stipend recipient
- Scholarships
 - Received 10 applications and great feedback about the new system
- Michelle will follow up with U of M MTSA to confirm they received our donation
- Michelle nominated Roberta Kagin for GLR service award (Roberta has already received the GLR Lifetime Achievement award)
- Reminder to use presidentmtam@gmail.com will contacting Michelle in regards to MTAM business
- Discussion about adding a link on our website for adapted mallet vendor in lieu of having a booth at MTAM conference
- MSAB will be selling braille greeting cards at MTAM spring conference – after discussion board agrees that this is an okay because MSAB is hosting us

Past President's Update:

- New Board Elections
 - Bylaws state that recruiting will take place during the summer of the odd year
 - Claire will contact potential future board members this week and follow up with the board to determine if nominations can be closed by the spring conference
 - Aim to introduce as many nominees as possible during spring conference, if recruiting needs to continue, future introductions will happen via email/social media throughout the spring/summer
- Awards
 - We will present Dawn's award at Spring conference
 - Amy Furman has been nominated for Lifetime Achievement Award
 - Brianna will send email calling for nominations for Service, Lifetime Achievement, and Friend of MTAM awards due by March 4th

- Do we have info about out previous award winners from pre-website crash?

President Elect's Update:

- Intern stipend
 - Received two applications
 - One applicant would not be eligible to receive their funds until Aug 2019, board agrees to hold this application for July due date
 - Reviewed other application and voted to award internship stipend to Jennifer Blair
 - Stephanie will forward letter template to Amber
 - Amber will send check to intern supervisor
- Zivix grant
 - Minneapolis Foundation has awarded MTAM \$2500 – check has been sent to Amber
 - Ed Canon has suggested that this grant could become an annual donation
 - Interns and students who take advantage of zero cost attendance to MTAM conference will be required to write up a summary of their take-aways from the presentation
 - And leftover funds after conference can be used to award an extra interns stipend
 - Spring Conference Promo materials and website registration links will reflect student member cost is covered by Minneapolis Foundation Grant
- Conference lunch
 - Ruth's on Stafford will be catering – cost is about \$15/person
 - Buffet style soups and salads – gluten free and vegan options will be available
 - There will be an option on registration of attendees to note if they want lunch and if to send any dietary restrictions to pres.electmtam@gmail.com
- Roberta photo book update
 - 4 people have shared stories so far Stephanie has a lot of great pictures!
 - Briana will include reminder to share stories by March 4th in email blast

Vice President's Update:

- Spring conference updated agenda
 - 9:30 Registration open
 - 10-12 Presentation part 1
 - 12-1 Lunch
 - 1-2 Business Meeting
 - 2-2:30 Tour
 - 2:30-4:30 Presentation part 2
- Registration
 - Early bird ends March 23rd
 - price include lunch
 - MTAM 2018 Professional Member - \$40

- MTAM 2018 Student Member *Free for student members! Non-Member
 - Non-member \$65
 - After March 23rd
 - Lunch available for \$15
 - MTAM 2018 Professional Member - \$50
 - MTAM 2018 Student Member *Free for student members! Non-Member
 - Non-member \$80
 - Megan will double check refund policy
- Carpool
 - Decided not to include carpool info in official promo materials
 - Claire will organize online format to organize carpool options – see email from Claire to sign up to be a carpool driver

Gov. Relations Update:

- MN MT Week
 - Maggie running into issues with obtaining proclamation
 - Discussion about holding off MT Week to coincide with AMTA conference in November
 - Discussion about having Minneapolis make a proclamation if we are still having trouble connecting at the state level
- Licensure update from Maggie:

“SF 330 was introduced by Sen. Newton, and Rosen, (Dziedzic, and Marty are also co-authors) on Jan 22nd. Bill was referred to the Health and Human Services Finance and Policy committee.

Also HF 546 introduced by Daniels, Lien, and Bennett on February 4th.

Currently getting push-back from MNSHA/ASHA (MN/American Speech-Language-Hearing Association) When Newton asked their members to produce concrete evidence of examples from the bill that they had problems with, they didn't (or couldn't at that time, at least.) At the national level, a couple of our national advocates are working on the relationship with ASHA, but one of their biggest issues is related to billing codes.

Committee deadlines are March 15th and 29th, so we need a hearing by March 15th in one chamber and in the other chamber by the 29th. One senator (Hall--Ericha Rupp's senator) felt that it would be a challenge/low probability of happening, but it's not impossible! It's such a political game, but the people who are chief authors on the bill can make a big difference on it being heard or not, so we're trying to work with Newton and Rosen to see if Rosen will chief author it rather than co-author (and Newton is on board since he wants to do what needs to be done to make this happen.)

We ask that people reach out to their own district senators and representatives, but also reach out to people on the key committees (linked below with specific individuals listed for areas of focus.)

HF546 in [Health and Human Services Policy](#) Our focus: Rep. Rena Moran (chair) and Rep. Kelly Morrison (vice chair).

SF330 in [Health and Human Services Finance and Policy](#). Our focus: Sen. Michelle Benson (Chair) and Sen. Scott Jensen (V.Chair)”

- Info Night in lieu of Hill Day update from Maggie:

“In March, we're hoping to hold an "Information Night" where we can talk about the bills (or the whole process in general), answer questions, provide talking points and action steps etc. for any music therapists able to make it. It's currently scheduled to take place as Lindsay Marksworth's on an undetermined date at this point. This will be in place of having a Hill Day--the idea is to focus on key people and committees.”

Reimbursement Update:

- Mark would like to share updates either at March MTAM meeting or April business meeting at conference

Website Update:

- Changed membership for student discount, then back to normal rate
- job postings- added 3, removed 3
- updated and added to private practice list
- added a "save the date" on the mtam conference page for the spring conference
- Jan meeting minutes added

Newsletter Update:

- **Deadline to send articles to Beth is April 14th**
- Will be published April 19th or 22nd

Treasure's Report:

- Amber has updated our member list!!
- Membership
 - Professional: 39
 - Student: 15
 - Lifetime: 5 Roberta Kagin, Bridget Doak, Bill Webb, Kay Luedke-Smith, Dawn Miller
- Finances
 - Checking: \$7058.73
 - Paypal: \$5497.53
 - Petty Cash: \$748.50
 - TOTAL: \$13,304.76
 - Year to Date Income: \$1165
 - Year to Date Expenses: \$952.34
 - Year to Date Difference: \$212.66