

ATM Board Meeting Camp Allen, TX 4/30/17

Board Members Present

Paula Davis
Cathy Rude
Cheryl West Gaspard
Vicky Wells (departed 9:32p)
Nanci Stanley
Ashley King
Kris Hohlt

Board Members Absent

Brielle Epstein
Kelly Miller
Joi Brock

Visitors

Michelle Levins
Helen Jolly Nelson
Jasmin Schumacher
Roxanne Anderson
Natalie Womack
Janet Dirmeyer (9:12p-9:21p)
Jennifer Bennett (9:12p-9:21p)
Kathaleen May (arrived 9:24p)
Vicki Meinhardt (arrived 9:36p)

7:30 pm – Paula Davis called meeting to order.

Minutes kept by Cheryl West Gaspard

Agenda Item: Conference Schedule

Responsibilities for proctoring rooms/CEUs coordinated by Lisa Rutledge.

Agenda Item: Meeting Minutes

Minutes for February read. Extensive discussion regarding record of Legislative agenda items and corrections/additions requested by Vicky. Board discussed and clarified the content of the conversation. Corrections made and read back. Paula moved to accept. Cathy second. Approved with no opposition; Vicky abstained from vote.

Agenda Item: Regional Reports

Regional Reports were reviewed and any questions/issues discussed. Ashley added information that she was contacted by a former TDLR investigator offering counsel. Cheryl moved to accept all as submitted, Paula second. Approved with none opposed. All Regional Reports are available from the ATM office or from the Regional Representative.

Agenda Item: Election for VP and Secretary

Nominations for Board VP were discussed, including Cathy Rude and Joi Brock. Cathy expressed that she would support Joi Brock's election. Vote taken. **Joi elected with none opposed.** Board expressed gratefulness for Cathy's years of service. Cathy will continue to serve as a Region 4 Representative.
Nominations for Secretary were discussed. **Cheryl Gaspard only nominee. Elected with none opposed.**

Vicky Wells resigned as Secretary. Board agreed to add appointing new Treasurer to the agenda for the August meeting. Vicky agreed to continue to serve as needed until then. She will also continue to serve as a Region 7 Representative.

Agenda Item: Announce New Regional Representatives

Region 1: Brielle Epstein and Laurie Fremgen (pending confirmation that she's eligible to serve)

Region 2: Vacant

Region 3: Kelly Miller and Kelli Beaty

Region 4: Cathy Rude and Nanci Stanley

Region 5: Cheryl Gaspard and Christy Martin

Region 6: Joi Brock and Ashley King

Region 7: Vicky Wells and Kris Hohlt

Region 8: Vacant

Agenda Item: Education Report

Read by Kris Hohlt and accepted by the board. Situation regarding integrity in school work in the ATMMTP was clarified by the Education Committee members in attendance. The Education Committee had voted and agreed on a consequence and are clarifying whether and how those consequences have been implemented. The board also discussed the information Paula had distributed between meetings clarifying that it is not a privacy violation for the ATMMTP to share student information with their Preceptors. Discussed policy of notifying preceptors of concerns and/or disciplinary actions.

Vicky proposed policy that Preceptors be notified be added to the manual. Paula seconded. Passed with none opposed.

Education Report is available from the ATM office or from Regional Representatives.

Carol Schumacher had texted request to board asking for \$500 for shelves and bins for storage of teaching supplies/models. Board decision to request clarification on whether this is already covered under the education budget and if there is a more cost-effective option. Tabled until May. On May 11th the Education Committee with visit the site and report back to the Executive Board to make a decision remotely.

Agenda Item: Accreditation Options, Letter from Student

Letter sent to Region 4 Reps from an ATMMTP student read to the Board regarding ATMMTP becoming an accredited school. The board again reviewed the information in the Education Report regarding the length and cost of the process of becoming MEAC accredited. Also discussed the possibility of other accreditation options. Will refer the issue for further research and review to an Education/Accreditation Workgroup to be formed later in this meeting. Nanci Stanley, as a Region 4 Rep, will compose a response letter to be sent to the student member after Paula reviews.

Agenda Item: Treasury Report Profit & Loss 2016

Profit and Loss Report for 2016 was presented by Vicky Wells. ATM remains profitable.

9:27p Paula called for Board to meet in Closed Session. Visitors left the room.

9:36p Closed Session ends. Visitors return.

Workgroup will be created to review line items on the Profit & Loss and whether they're being properly categorized.

Treasury Reports are available from the ATM office or from Regional Representatives.

Agenda Item: Legislative Report

Paula presented update on Erythromycin bills. House bill has passed and Senate bill is moving. Brielle Epstein will present full Legislative Report at tomorrow's General Membership meeting.

Agenda Item: Website Report

Submitted by Kelly and read by Paula. Discussion again of communication necessary to make changes and updates/add members and what the duties are of the Webmaster.

Agenda Item: ATM Workgroups Proposal

Paula proposed workgroups be created to distribute the work load of the board. None opposed. Members will serve as follows and may recruit additional members from the ATM membership:

Education/Accreditation- Cathy Rude, Kelly Miller, Vicki Meinhardt, and Natalie Womack

Social Media/Public Communication- Ashley King and Nanci Stanley

Legislation- Brielle Epstein, Cheryl Gaspard, Christy Martin (if she agrees), and Vicky Wells (if she agrees)

Board Member Manual Revisions- Kelli Beaty, Vicky Wells, and Ashley King (if available electronically)

Treasury- Vicky Wells and Joi Brock

Conference- Kris Hohlt, Cheryl Gaspard, and Lisa Rutledge (if hired)

Agenda Item: Meeting Attendance

Proposal that membership on the Board and Reimbursement for Conference Fees and Travel to other Meetings be contingent upon regular meeting attendance and participation in workgroups. Kris Hohlt proposed that Board Members be required to attend at least 3 Board meetings per year. Cathy reviewed the applicable by-laws and read them to the board. By-laws state cannot have 2 unexcused absences. Kris withdrew proposal. Board agreed to better enforce by-laws.

Agenda Item: Conference 2017 and 2018 Reports

2017 - Report reviewed. Very brief summary. Will have more info after conference is complete and board will review in August.

2018 – Cheryl Gaspard proposed that 2018 Conference be held in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. The North Texas Midwives Association has agreed to participate in organizing the conference and has held a meeting to explore venues and speakers. Paula second. Passed with none opposed. Dates tentatively set for April 26-28th, 2018 with ATMMTP Graduation on Friday the 27th.

Agenda Item: TDLR Report

Yvonne Feinleib will be presenting a TDLR report at tomorrow's ATM meeting.

Agenda Item: Future Meeting Dates and Access

Aug 13th in DFW, location TBD

Nov 5th at The Gathering in Ingram, TX

February in Tyler Area, TBD

Agenda Item: Member Comments – Member comments were accepted and addressed as much as possible throughout the meeting. Open time for comments at end of meeting. No questions asked.

All regional and committee reports are filed with ATM office and available if requested.

10:26pm – Paula Davis adjourned meeting.