

**ATM Board Meeting
July 28, 2019**

Members present:

Paula Davis, president
Nanci Stanley
Cathy Rude, vice president
Kelli Beaty, education chair
Janet Dirmeyer
David Carter-Place
Kristin Green
Melinda Pond
Kelly Baumgartner, treasurer
Brielle Epstein
Laurie Fremgen
Christy Martin, secretary

Meeting called to order at 3:01pm by Paula Davis. Meeting is being held electronically over Zoom.

3:03pm

Welcome to new board members

3:04pm

Announcement of resignation of Shelley Terrazas as region 8 representative.

3:05pm

Minutes approved from previous meeting.

3:06pm

Review of vote taken by email to increase the education from 8 members to 10 members. The vote occurred between June 7 through June 15.
Also review of approval to appoint Janet Dirmeyer as regional representative for region 6 for the remainder of the current term. Business for this was conducted by email between July 10 to July 12.

3:07pm

Approval of regional reports
Minutes of meeting to be posted on ATM website
Regional reports will be provided by requested. Kelli will add information on to the website letting people know they can request a regional report as desired.

3:12pm

Discussion that manual (by-laws and policies) for board members will be posted in the files section of the Groupsio ATM board group.

3:16pm

TDLR Educational Summit report given by Laurie Fremgen. Laurie reports approximately 100 people were present for the summit. Report on topics covered during the summit. Discussion

that the video recording of the summit along with the PowerPoint slides will be posted beginning tomorrow, July 29, 2019.

Announcement of 3 new midwifery advisory board members appointed by the TDLR commission: Erica Steele, Roxanne Anderson, Christy Martin.

Next TDLR Commissioner's Meeting is August 6, 2019

3:22pm

Discussion of needed by-law changes. The legislative chair is a member of the executive board. Under 6.01, the legislative chair is listed as being elected. Paula would like it changed to a position that's appointed instead of elected like the education chair.

Discussion of changing 5.01 under representation for board of directors and representatives number of total board members to 20.

Laurie will correct numbering of articles and sections in the by-laws.

The changes will be posted online for 30 days so they are available for comment before the changes are voted on.

Discussion of when changes will be made to policies. Paula requests it be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

3:28pm Agenda item: ATM 2020 conference

The 2020 ATM conference will be a 2 day conference in San Antonio. Janet announces that Dr. Stu (\$1500 rate, travel and room) will be a featured speaker as well as Augustine Colebrook (travel and room will be paid); a PT will speak on understanding the science of pelvic pain.

There will be a fun event the night before the conference starts but no pre-conference. Space has been booked at a Dueling Piano bar for the fun event the night before the conference starts. They've booked a large church where the conference will be held; estimated cost is \$1100. A block of rooms will be booked at Drury hotel (\$115/night) which is down the street from the church. The contract with the hotel is being looked at to make sure our commitment to the number of rooms is appropriate. Dates are May 1-2, 2020 with the "fun night" starting on April 30th. They are trying to find a vendor to sponsor lunch but if not they will have it catered. The conference committee has already discussed plans for graduation with Claudine. Kelly is working on getting the website for conference up.

3:38pm

MANA conference is not paid for for board members or education committee members. Travel to the ATM Board meeting held during the MANA conference is covered and lodging for one night at the rate provided for by ATM. Cost of a hotel room at MANA conference is approximately \$174 plus taxes. ATM pays \$89 per person for a one night hotel stay for board meetings.

Discussion of date for ATM Board meeting to be held during the MANA conference dates. Possibility of doing the board meeting on Friday, November 1st at 5pm. Brielle checked about possibility of bringing in food for us to eat during our meeting; Vicky Headley states we can bring in our own food.

The next ATM Board meeting is Friday, November 1st, at 5pm.

The education committee and ATM board have in the past received a free conference fee as a bonus for their work. Only the conference fee has been covered but not lodging and food. Discussion of need to consider changing this for sustainability. Discussion of options of how to compensate board and education committee in relation to coming to the conference for the work they do throughout the year.

Proposal: Paula proposes that board members and education committee will receive 50% discount off of the conference fee. Cathy seconds the proposal. All in favor, none opposed.

Paula states the policies will need to be changes to reflect this.

4:00pm Agenda item: Legislative Report

Brielle reports that we'll likely need to have another zoom meeting before the next board meeting as there will be more changes coming between now and our next meeting. TDLR omnibus bill passed. The chair of the advisory board will change to a midwifery member instead of a consumer member. The fee floor is removed for midwifery licensure.

Dr. Guillory mentioned that there is a new law that took effect requiring syphilis testing without exemption but Brielle hasn't been able to find evidence of this bill. Brielle will investigate further to double check.

Brielle reports we need to consider big ideas for sunset happening next year.

Brielle will speak with Roland tomorrow, and will include Paula in on that meeting.

Kelli requests us evaluating the fiscal impact to ATM for us to plan the budget and how it will effect us. Brielle reports she thinks we will need a PAC to be able to navigate sunset where consumers can take the lead.

Brielle reports that Texans for Midwifery is not growing as she'd like to see it grow. The website has been updated, and she's hoping things will improve soon.

4:10pm Agenda item: Groups IO purchase for general membership

Discussion of cost being \$110/year and discussion of benefits of GroupsIO over yahoo. We've currently been using the non-fee version. Brielle states she can start a new membership group very easily.

Proposal: Brielle proposes we begin the GroupsIO for general ATM membership. Cathy seconded. All in favor, none opposed.

4:16pm Agenda item: Treasurer Report

Review of report by Kelly Baumgartner. Our accounting system is done on Quickbooks. Discussion of how accounts are tracked between education and non-education, including Kelli's salary, as well as incoming funds versus out-going expenses. Discussion of ways to utilize social media to promote ATMMTP; Kelli will discuss the ideas with the education committee.

Discussion of issues if students have emergencies that preclude them from attending a module and then they are delayed by several months; concern for losing students in these situations.

Kelly Baumgartner discusses:

1. Tightening our belt and finding a way to live within our means
2. Find a way to pay Roland outside of ATM paying him in full directly
3. Every department should submit a quarterly budget with the goal of staying in the black at all times.

Kelly proposes that each of the 4 departments (education, legislative, conference, admin) will submit a quarterly budget by November 22nd, Paula seconds it, all in favor, none opposed.

Brielle and Paula will discuss ideas with Kelly about her request to find other options to help pay Roland.

4:58pm Agenda item: Proposal from education committee for a scholarship for a person of color

Paula states she'd like us to have a scholarship on merit and need, not on race. Kelli, Brielle and Laurie state they feel that having a scholarship for a woman of color would be a big draw to ATMMTP. Kelli reports whether we have this or not speaks to other organizations and the public about whether we are behind the times or not. Kelli reports she and Claudine have been asked about how many people of color are in the ATM program from people interested in ATMMTP. Brielle mentions we could offer a discount versus a scholarship; Paula suggests considering a partial scholarship. Kelli reports its less than \$11,000 for one student to go through ATMMTP.

Brielle proposes that the board approve a scholarship for a woman of color; when the education committee has the final policy and wording for the scholarship and the estimated cost they will bring the it back to the board for final approval. Laurie seconds the proposal. Vote passed.

5:12pm MEAC Steering Committee Appointments

Kelli's proposal for the steering committee:

2 co-chairs, one who is an ed committee member, and one who is an ATM board member. The rest of the committee will be made up of the education chair, the ATM course coordinator, 1 education committee member, 2 ATM board members, one ATM member who is not on the board. There are provisional committee places for a current ATMMTP student and for a consultant.

Volunteers are:

Board—Laurie Fremgen, Christy Martin, David Carter-Plake.

Ed Committee—Mollie Miller, Kim Watkins, Salli Gonzalez, possibly Jasmin Schumacher

Discussion of why the original deadline of submitting the initial MEAC application wasn't done as previous requested by the board.

Kelli states she will likely create an GroupsIO sub-group for communication so co-chairs can be chosen.

Kelli states she wants to be clear that those on the committee will have to work within strict timelines and stay on top of communication.

5:30pm

Next ATM Board Meetings:

Friday, November 1st at 5pm at MANA Conference

Saturday, February 15th & Sunday February 16th at 5pm, tentatively in DFW

5:35pm

Meeting adjourned by Paula Davis.

5:36pm

Executive Board Meeting called to order by Paula Davis

Board members present:

Paula Davis

Cathy Rude

Kelly Baumgartner

Kelli Beaty

Brielle Epstein

Christy Martin

Discussion on appropriate communication which builds trust between the ATM Board and the education chair and education committee.

6:11pm

Brielle reports that there's been a complaint by a ATMMTP student about how her complaint to ATMMTP was handled. Kelli and Brielle discussed the issue.

6:33pm

Meeting adjourned by Paula Davis