

NATIONAL ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
Board of Directors Web Conference Meeting Minutes
10:00 a.m. Central Time
December 17, 2024

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Incoming Directors

Christina Emrich, MS, LAT, ATC
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Guests

Lynne Young, Med, LAT, ATC, BOC Liaison
Gary Hana, MS, LAT, ATC, CAATE Liaison
Ken Cameron, PhD, MPH, ATC, CSCS, President, NATA Foundation
Trevor Bates, DHSc, AT, ATC, Co-Chair, DEIA Council
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CALL TO ORDER

President Duffy called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Eleven of the eleven voting members were present. The requirements for a quorum were met.

OPENING REMARKS

President Duffy welcomed the Board, representatives of the AT Strategic Alliance and guests to the call.

PRIDE POINTS

President Duffy opened the floor for the Board and guests to share their recent highlights.

AT STRATEGIC ALLIANCE PARTNER UPDATES

BOC

BOC Liaison Brian Conway could not attend the meeting, so future BOC Liaison Lynne Young attended in his place. She introduced herself to the Board and briefly explained her experience, and the board welcomed her to the meeting.

CAATE

CAATE Liaison Gary Hanna announced that Dale West is no longer with CAATE, his last day was December 11; Tania Gomes will temporarily take over as the operational leader while a national search is conducted to find a permanent replacement. Hanna also informed the directors that the CAATE Board voted in the last meeting to approve the acquisition of new accreditation software, with plans to implement it by mid-summer for the upcoming accreditation cycle.

NATA Foundation

NATA Foundation President Cameron announced that the Orlando fundraising event will take place at Top Golf on June 24. Ticket prices are set at \$65, which includes food and an open bar offering beer and wine. The recipients of the Research Award have been notified, but this information has not yet been made public, so please keep it confidential. The Research Grants program is requesting full proposals from the investigators who passed the pre-proposal stage; these proposals will be reviewed from February 15 to March 15. Additionally, the scholarship application window is open until January 15, and applications for the student writing contest will be accepted until February 1.

PRESIDENT REPORT

President Duffy provided an update on the projects he has been working on since the last meeting.

UPDATES/INFORMATION

Government Affairs

Amy Callender, the staff director of Government Affairs, reported that the latest edition of NATA Beat was released last week. Currently, there are three active Legislator Thank You advocacy campaigns this week, and she does not anticipate any additional campaigns through the end of the year. The Athletic Trainer Compact Writing Team will hold a virtual meeting on January 9, and Director-elect McKune will keep NATA updated on developments. Callender provided an update on the AEDs Act, noting that the bill has been incorporated into a larger package called the Hearts Act. This package cleared the Senate last week and is now headed to President Biden for signature. She also shared a positive development regarding Third Party Reimbursement. After meeting with researchers on the current project, we are now able to extend the data collected from the University of Wisconsin to a fifteen-year period. This extension should increase the number of individual patients in the study to over eight thousand and will expand the number of Medicare patients included. The Department of Labor has included athletic trainers in a newly released document titled "Implementing Effective Workplace Solutions to Prevent Opioid Use Disorder: A Reference Guide for the Mining Industry." Additionally, NATAPAC's Doner Newsletter was released last week, and the State Association Advisory Committee will host a webinar on January 15 with guest speaker Joe Greene focused on Third Party Reimbursement.

The Board acknowledged that the December meeting would be the final one for Michael Anto, Amy Callendar, Kathy Crelly, Anita James, and Dave Saddler. They expressed their gratitude for the dedication and contributions these staff have made to the association and the athletic training profession.

CONSENT AGENDA

Appropriate information on the following items were provided to the Board through background materials, e-ballots or previous discussions. With no objections raised, the consent agenda was approved. It included:

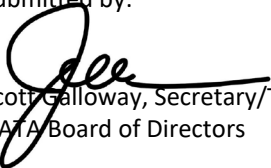
- **APPROVE NOVEMBER 2024 BOARD MEETING MINUTES (ALL)**
- **APPROVE STEPHEN DONOHUE (D2) AS THE COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL ETHICS NON-DISTRICT MEMBER EFFECTIVE 7/1/2025 – 6/30/2029.**
- **APPROVE KRISTIN CARDIN (D4) AS THE COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL ETHICS NON-DISTRICT MEMBER EFFECTIVE 7/1/2025 – 6/30/2029.**
- **APPROVE DANAE DEFLIN (D9) AS THE COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL ETHICS NON-DISTRICT MEMBER EFFECTIVE 7/1/2025 – 6/30/2029.**
- **APPROVE COPA'S PRIVATE AND EMERGING PRACTICE PANEL'S NEW RESOURCE *BUSINESS START-UP INFOGRAPHIC* AS PRESENTED.**
- **APPROVE STEPHANIE SINGE (D1) AS THE FELLOWS PANEL CHAIR EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025.**

- **APPROVE NICOLE CATTANO (D2) AS THE STATE ASSOCIATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE DIVISION 4 MEMBER EFFECTIVE JULY 2025.**
(3,1) PASSED (11-0-0)

ADJOURNMENT

Following a closed session and executive session, President Duffy adjourned the meeting at 11:36 a.m.

Submitted by:


Scott Galloway, Secretary/Treasurer
NATA Board of Directors