



## Texas State Athletic Trainers' Association Regional Directors Meeting Minutes

July 17, 2013, 6:00 PM  
SWATA - Houston, Texas

*Dress: Business Casual*

**Present:** Rich Hanson Region (R) 1, William "Honda" Schneider R2, Mark "Buzz" Chisum R3, Scott Galloway R4, Bubba Wilson R6, Billy Ray Laxton R7, Brain Farr R8, Terry Greenup, R9, Britney Webb, Committee members and guest: Bucky Taylor, Randy Matthews, Dennis Hart, David Weir, John Overton, Deidra Duke, Jace Duke, and Rodney Murray.

**Absent:** Darrell "Red" Ganus

- I. Meeting was called to order 6:00pm by Chairman Scott Galloway. Chairman Galloway welcomed and introduced invited guests.
- II. Minutes were approved from the winter meeting in Feb 2013. Chairman Galloway called for motion of approval for the minutes as written and read Hondo motioned, and Buzz seconded. Minutes approved.
- III. **Chair's Report by Scott Galloway**
  - A. Review Spring 2013-very busy there were 5 AT recognized on the floor of capital. There is a great relationship between TSATA and capital members. Spanky does a great job with the capital relationships. Picture with Rep. Four Price at the capital was shown. Chairman suggested holding all comments about the partnership and relationships with capital members until seeing it firsthand.
  - B. Task Force/Committee Structure Update-Deidre Duke will be stepping down from the leadership of relations and PR. College University committee is in the works.
- IV. **Executive Director's Report by Spanky Stephens**
  - A. Spanky reviewed his report that was submitted to the Board of Directors (BOD). Stated TSATA is having better relationships with UIL, and both coaches associations. It is good to be an AT in Texas as ATs are beginning to get recognition with other associations. He will continue support and move forward in making more partnerships.
- V. **Vice- Chair's Report, Darrell "Red" Ganus**
  - A. Darrell was absent, so Chairman Galloway reviewed vice-chair's report stating membership is up and pay roll number are up. We are currently at 1553 members.

B. Election turnout was great and was the first time for ON-LINE voting ONLY. Two (2) out of the three (3) elections were very close. Election results winners were R2 John Overton, R5 Darrell Ganus and R8 Brian Farr. Hondo motioned to approve minutes and Billy Ray seconded. All in favor-motion carries.

C. Darrell went to the Pediatric Acquired Brain injury Plan held in Dallas, Tx. It was stated according to his submitted report he suggests it is good for our association to be involved with the organization.

#### **VI. Secretary-Treasurer's Report, Brian Farr**

A. Brian reviewed report as submitted. Highlights were as follows...

B. Financials 2013 was reviewed as submitted. The assets are up from last years. Task force heads to get quarterly reports of budget. There was no area that was over budget without approval. Area/task force heads are asking to submit budget request with justifications for 2013-2014 by November. Brian also recommended investigation of another means of income for the association.

ACTION Brian wanted was for heads of task force to get with him today to look at budget reports through May 2013.

C. NATA State Committee Report-reviewed at submitted, nothing substantial has taken place.

D. Website- is up and running, please check contact information and make sure it is correct. If it is not correct please contact Brian.

#### **VII. LAT Board, David Weir**

A. Please continue to ask membership to update mail address with the LAT.

B. There will be a Sunset review-Health Department next year.

C. Cathy Supak was appointed the LAT board.

D. At the LAT board meeting Spanky came and talked about concussion law and LAT law with continuing education. CEU's are 20 hours every 2 years with 2 of those hours in concussion effective June 25, 2013. Because if the timing there will be leeway for this until January 1, 2014. If getting audited one will need to provide documentation (CEU cards, programs etc.) of the 2 hour concussion education. SWATA needs to provide concussion topics. The hours can be cumulative (30 minutes plus 30 minutes etc.) Hondo ask if the LAT will get credit for doing an education class for the coaches. David said that was not addressed specifically, Hondo encourage that to be discussed at the next LAT meeting. Brian asked if the 2 hour concussion education was posted for discussion before approving. David stated yes it was posted and no comments were given so the board voted and approved. Brain said an e-blast needs to go out about the effect date June 25 and Chairman Galloway asked Bucky to posted on the TSTAT web site.

#### **VIII. Regional Directors Reports**

A. It was asked if anyone BOD had adds or deletes to their report. Brain had some questions from his members in his region. If TSATA could help with the process of the pay that LAT's receive being classified as teachers to be classified as health care professionals, for example. The consensus was this is a local

problem and LAT needs to be a self-advocate. The TSATA can help with avenues and skills to help the LAT. It was stated that HR department needs to be educated. TSATA does not know if we can do anything state wide.

- B. Question was asked if we have a current secondary stipend survey. Spanky would like to see another one done. Brian said if the one we have is outdated we can look into doing another one. Please let Brian know.

#### **IX. Task Force Committee Reports-submitted**

- A. Member Relations & PR – Deidre Duke  
330 members on Facebook (FB) now. Reported the post cards worked well and Methodist Hospital paid for them. She shared documents with the BOD on the history and accomplishments of the PR committee. Chairman Galloway publicly thanked Deidre for her work. Shandra Esparza will be the new chair of this committee.
- B. Secondary Schools – Rodney Murray  
Asked about ALL STATE certificates could be done electronically but are not because of signature. We could do in PDF form, what does the BOD think? Bubba is ok with doing PDF for recognition because GHATS is so early-then get a certificate in the mail. Two (2) scholarship winners will be here tomorrow and announce all 6 winners. The BOD wants the 7<sup>th</sup> student to get the award too but the LAT is not a member of TSATA. A donation was given to TSATA for the dues of that professional so the student could have the award and a letter will be sent to the professional. Rodney showed new banner stand and was thanked for his hard work.
- C. TEA Curriculum & Sports Medicine Course – Dennis Hart  
Dennis reviewed his submitted report, approval of SM 1 and 2 for a 3 year period; have had change in TEA staff since the course was approved (new commissioner). State Board of Education is meeting July 17-18 and David Anderson is there to talk with them. Anyone can teach the course for local credit wording changed and TEA staff changed. Spanky and David are working on it. We need a contact person at TEA so that school HR people can call. Each school district can do what they want. The only issue is credits and they are working on it.
- D. UIL Liaison – Mike Carroll-submitted report, he was not in attendance.  
Hondo added to the UIL report with talking about the Cardiac awareness form. Discussion was had about the practice times what counts and does not count towards the practice time.
- E. Governmental Affairs –Randy Matthews  
Chairman Galloway stated Randy Matthews and Dawn Allen worked hard for Capital Day and thanked them for their work. Randy added good work on Spanky's part and thanked the BOD. Dawn will be rotating off the committee and Randy will take over.

- F. ICE - Jace Duke asked if a salary survey with ICE and secondary schools can be done and Chairman Galloway added that was a great idea and combined in survey Rodney, Jace and Brian will work on that project.
- G. Web site-Bucky Taylor discussed the web site and the numbers of hit that have been received. Chairman Galloway stated that Brian, Bucky, Deidra, and he spend a lot of time cussing and discussing the web site; all turned out great and looks great.

## **New Business**

### **X. Introduction of new BOD**

Region 2 – John Overton

Region 5 – Darrell “Red” Ganus

Region 8 - Brian Farr

Chairman Galloway and the BOD thanked Honda for his work and service and welcomed John Overton.

### **XI. Election of Board Officers**

Every two (2) years TSATA has to elect BOD officers. Currently vice president (VP) is Darrell (Red) Ganus, secretary-treasurer is Brian Farr, and chairman is Scott Galloway. Nomination for each position was opened up and no one was nominated for any of the positions; there was no one to run against the current people. Current BOD accepted the current officers to remain in their position.

### **XII. Approval of Budget Amendments**

No changes with the budget. There was a reminder when Brian sends update to please send Brian an email for any concerns or needs.

### **XIII. Goals, Tasks & Assignments 2013- TO DO LIST-**

#### **H. Revenue**

Chairman Galloway stated cost of business is going up. BOD looked at Spanky’s budget last year and had redone the budget to be fiscally responsible and it is working so suggest nothing to change. He asked for all BOD to think about ways to increase revenue. Some ideas are increase membership; increase membership dues, events, meetings, corporate sponsorships, and any other ideas to generate funds will be welcomed for discussion at mid-winter meeting.

#### **I. Membership**

PR committee continue its works to increase membership. The SM course rosters will be given to the PR & membership committee to follow-up with the people that are not members.

#### **J. College and University Retreat**

Steve Simpson was asked to help out. This committee would help with student membership, retreats, State LAT test prep. The retreat could be

Thursday at SPATS it is a good location; students could talk with BOD and vendors. We need to connect with the college students.

**K. Task Force & Committee Updates**

Chairman Galloway thanked all of the committees for their work and stated to find people to put on the committee that will work.

**XIV. EBD Endowment SWATA/NATA**

Every district will get \$5,000 towards scholarship. SWATA has asked both states in D6 to give \$500.00. What does TSATA want to do?

Discussion was had to vote \$500.00 to give to the EBD. Motion by Mark "Buzz" for \$500.00 Terry seconded and all were in favor. Motion carried.

**XV. Texas State Forum**

NATA Matching Grant was discussed by Dennis Hart & Randy Matthews. The basic grant in previous years was \$2000.00 per state for doing government affairs work. Now there are two (2) kinds of grants, discretionary grant and matching grant. The matching grant Brian will have to make application in the month of August and flyer to have a fund raiser. It has to be member generated money. By March 1, 2014 raise the money and have to be document to or for the government committee. The information would be a good idea to have this goal on the web site as well as the target of money that we want to raise and what we have already raised. Also possible doing a silent auction, tickets for dinner were a few ideas to raise money. Dennis Hart, Randy Matthew, and Spanky have all donated \$100.00 each and well send the money to Brian Farr.

**XVI. Other**

State forum meeting 7-18-13 at 5:00pm discussion of the agenda of the meeting information

Please at the regional meeting ask the members to go to vendor's reception.

Bubba asked to have more detail on what TSATA is doing and Spanky does the BOD needs to have more monthly updates from Spanky.

Next Meeting Midwinter 2014 TBA

**XVII. Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn by Billy Ray and second by Bubby all were in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 9:08pm.

Respectfully submitted-Britney Webb  
11/23/13