

**Texas State Athletic Trainers' Association  
Regional Directors Meeting Minutes  
Embassy Suites - Comanche Room  
July 16, 2014, 4:00 PM  
SWATA - Frisco, Texas**

Dress: Business Casual

**Present:** Rich Hanson Region (R) 1, John Overton R2, Mark “Buzz” Chisum R3, Scott Galloway R4, Darrell “Red” Ganus R5, Bubba Wilson R6, Billy Ray Laxton R7, Brain Farr R8, Terry Greenup R9, Britney Webb, Spanky Stephens. Committee members and

guest: Bucky Taylor, Dennis Hart, Shandra Esparza, Kyle Tribble, David Weir, Josh Woolbright,

Dennis Flyce, Kathy Dieringer, Valerie Tinklebaugh-Hairston, Rodney Murray, Randy Matthews

All BOD were present.

- I. Meeting was called to order at 4:03pm, by Chairman Scott Galloway. Chairman Galloway welcomed everyone and introductions of all in the room were announced. He also asked for all board reports to be handed in or at least email him to tell that the report will be late. He congratulated the new BOD's and again welcomed everyone.
- II. Approval of minutes from the winter meeting was approved as written and submitted by Britney Webb. BOD is still working on the process of voting for approval of the minutes via email so the minutes can be posted in a timely manner for the membership.

**III. Chair's Report, Scott Galloway**

- a. Review Spring 2014-Have been working hard for the TSATA. Sunset review has taken many hours of hard work.
- b. SWATA Texas Rep-Chairman Galloway was elected to the SWATA BOD therefore Brian Farr will do a one year appointment to be the TSATA rep on the SWATA board.
- c. P&P manual was under review at the time Chairman Galloway became chair. So from that time to now the document has not been reviewed or updated. So Chairman Galloway will email for review and will be working on updating the manual.
- d. More discussion was had on the Sunset Review topic. David Weir gave the history of the review stating the Advisory Board of AT was one of the boards that was suggested to be moved from the TDHS to the Texas Department of Licensures and Registrations (TDLR). If this were to happen the Advisory Board for AT's would not be like we know it today. David Weir and Chairman Galloway went to Austin to talk and testify on behalf of what would be best for the LAT. Spanky talked with Hilco Partners and his resources about the move. Options could be but are not limited to staying with the TDHS, moving to the TDLR or the Texas Medical Board (TMB). This is the beginning stages with a conference call on 7/17/14. After the testimonies and discussions, a recommendation to the commission will be given between August 1-10 and the commission should have a decision around August 12, 2014. Please tell your regional members that the BOD is working hard for the best interest of all LAT's.

**III. Executive Director's Report, Spanky Stephens**

- a. Work on the Sunset Commission Review has been taking place, still in progress.
- b. The partnership with the Office of Acquired Brain Injuries (OABI) and the UT-Southwestern and TSATA is still moving forward. Amy Williams has taken over for Bettie Beckworth. Spanky has been working close with Amy for approval of contracts and budget.
- c. Dennis Hart and Spanky met with the TEA this spring to come to an agreement concerning teacher certification for the TSATA SM courses. The result is the LAT either must have a valid teacher certification OR hold a school district teacher permit.

**IV. Vice- Chair's Report, Darrell Ganus**

- a. Darrell spoke of the election results stating Buzz Chisum R3 had termed out and that Josh Woolbright won the election for R3. R6 and R9 will still be Bubba Wilson and Terry Greenup. Darrell thanked Buzz for his service.
- b. For the Davis Mountains Sports Medicine Clinic Darrell spoke on behalf of TSATA. There was a total of four (4) BOD in attendance at the clinic.
- c. Membership totals 1550 as of now.

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

- a. Financials 2014 report given by Brian stating that as of May 31, 2014 the account was up from the last statement. With "special projects and "accounting" lines appear they have a substantial portion of their budget remaining, even with making the concussion videos and will recoup that money once the funds are received for the concussion project.
- b. Recommendations given for area heads to stay on track and within budget, a reminder that no area may go over budget without PRIOR approval from the BOD. Area/tack force heads need to submit a budget request and justifications for FY 2014-15 by November. Also BOD needs to investigate other means of income for the association.
- c. NATA State Committee Brian attended in June. The highlights were the NATA's Youth Sports Safety Alliance and state association getting involved so the BOD discussed that issue. The 6<sup>th</sup> annual summit will be in March 2015 in Dallas. There were now over 200 Safe Sports School Awards out. There were 60+ bills in 25 states about AT's. And the NFL has a project to support putting ATs in every high school.
- d. Website Brian said was up and running and a special thanks to Bucky Taylor for his efforts. Bucky Taylor informed that this year 135,000 hits where on the TSATA website.

75% were to the job page, 15% general and 10% SM course page. Spanky and Bucky will work together for sponsors on the web page and Bucky stated the hacking issue should be taken care of for the future.

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

ECG Discussion - Bubba Wilson stating that Houston school are asking for more ECG testing. Bubba sent a letter to the UIL to change the UIL medical form before mandated the ECG. Bubba stated the UIL medical form has not changed since 2009, questions should be up dated, physicals should have to be signed and parents should be held accountable for not telling the truth for the medical documents for their child. Bubba also stated that Region 6 had the Gatorade Girls Basketball play of the Year from Manvel HS.

Region 1 Rich Hanson reviewed the event and scholarships award for Sun City (SCATA)

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

- a. **Member Relations & PR** - Shandra Esparza stated the committee has some vacant positions and the Facebook site add 100 new members for a total of 513 on Facebook.
- b. **Secondary Schools** - Rodney Murray stated TSATA has 153 all state academic awards. He will need the ED's and Chair's signatures for the awards. The TSATA booth set up is going well at the conferences that were attended. Six (6) scholarships were given out this year. One of those recipients and Muller will be here at SWATA to receive and present the award.
- c. **Advisory Board of AT**-David Weir also discussed the Sunset Commission Review. He also stated some changes in the CEU's starting Sept 2015 the CEU requirements will go from 20 in 2 years to 40 in two years with the 2 hours concussion being included. He also stated that the CPR requirement will need to be professional rescuer or equal, not just regular CPR. ABAT meeting can now be summarized and put out for review for the LAT, instead of having to wait months for approval of minutes. Next meeting is late September or early October.
- d. **TEA Curriculum & Sports Medicine Course** - Dennis Hart reviewed his report that was submitted to the board, summarizing the issues regarding the teacher certification or a district permit for SM courses. SM III was reapproved for 2015; he reviewed the Spring budget for the course as pervious years for the BOD to vote on.
- e. **UIL Liaison** - Mike Carroll-submitted his report for review of the BOD no discussion

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f. **Governmental Affairs** -Randy Matthews stated the need to start thinking the Hill dates so we can have a date set. Kendall Goldberg ad Randy together for lifesaving awards for Hit the Hill day. Randy also talked MATCHING GRANT only 45 members participated. Randy will try to items for more participation.

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g. **Concussion Education Grants Initiative** - Bucky Taylor summarized the development of the concussion site. June 2 he had a meeting and things to roll. This is not TSATA, this is a partnership. The web site will be txconcussionlaw.com launch date set for Sept 1, 2014. There will be videos on the web site and research information.

#### **New Business**

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

- Region 3 - Josh Woolbright
- Region 6 - Bubba Wilson
- Region 9 - Terry Greenup

Thanks was giving to Mark “Buzz” Chisum for his years of service. Billy Ray motioned to accept the election results, the motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Buzz, no discussion, motion carries. With the welcome of the new BOD Josh was appointed by Chairman Galloway to partner with Randy Matthews for the online auctions.

##### **XI. Financial Plan for Concussion Grant Money**

Discussion on concussion grant money and account money. Separate accounts for outside money and a system will be set up to approve money. Bubba Wilson will be the third person from the BOD to help with this issue. Therefore, from this day forward prior approval for monies will need written approval from Bubba, Brian and Spanky. Red motioned and John Overton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion carries with no discussion.

XII. There were no budget amendments at this time to vote on or discuss.

##### **XIII. Goals, Tasks & Assignments 2015**

The BOD and committees will work on the following...

- Sunset and Cooperation with Advisor Board
- Potential Changes to Texas Education Code
- Policy & Procedures Manual
- Relationship with NATA/SWATA
- SM Course Rosters & Membership follow-up to help add more members; the SM course will note the participants of the course that were not members and let Shandra know so that she can follow up with them to because members.

- College University / ICE-committee have not been in communications for quite some time, both of these committees are dead as of this meeting.

XIV. Texas State Forum (Thursday 4:30) recognition of Buzz's service will happen at this time. Please make sure that we respect the time frame of the meeting on Thursday.

XV. Motion to adjourn was stated by Darrell and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bubba Wilson motion was carried and meeting was adjourned at 7:21pm.

**Next Meeting Midwinter 2015-TBA**

Respectfully submitted,  
Britney K. Webb  
12/18/14