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Two MAATA Members Serve on NATA SAAC

Congratulations to two members of the MAATA being elected to serve on the newly formed NATA State Association Advisory Committee as caucus leaders. Lana Loken from South Dakota represents Division I, and Ron Walker from Oklahoma represents Division II. District V is the only district have two caucus leaders elected. Here is the list of the NATA SAAC:

Division I (Small Group States, Fewer than 200 Members)

Lana Loken (SD) 3 year term
Lyn Nakagawa (HI) 2 year term

Division II (Medium Group States, Between 201 – 450 Members)

BJ Maack (AR) 3 year term
Ron Walker (OK) 2 year term

Division III (Large Group States, Between 451-800 Members)

Ryan Wilkinson (WI - Not Minnesota as advertised!) 3 year term
Jennifer Brodeur (MA) 2 year term

Division IV (Extra Large Group States, Over 801 Members)

Craig Voll (IN) 3 year term
Stephanie Lennon (FL) 2 year term

MAATA Hall of Fame Nominations Due

Nominations for the MAATA Hall of Fame are due November 1, 2011. Forms to nominate can be found on the MAATA website. Please submit the nominations to Steve Knoche at knoches@mail.davenport.k12.ia.us



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Letter from MAATA Director D. Eric McDonnell



Dear MAATA Membership:

As we are moving full speed into the fall sports season I will update you on board actions since the annual meeting in June. I want to start this letter by saying I am very proud of Terry Noonan for running for NATA President. It takes a lot of time to serve on the board let alone serve as our president. Even though Terry didn't win the election Terry served as a great representative from our district as a board member and the NATA Treasurer.

Here is a quick update on the NATA Board action. In May the board of directors approved Craig Denegar as the new editor for the Journal of Athletic Training. For no cost to the NATA, the NATA through Doyle Rowe, Ltd will offer insurance for secondary school athletic trainers. The plans vary, and would offer group benefits without group contributions. The board approved this proposal. This is just another example of a service provided to members from your association.

Vision Quest was approved by the board, and our strategic partners, the BOC, CAATE, and the Research and Education Foundation. This project will fall under the SAC (Strategic Activities Committee) and chaired by NATA Vice President Scott Sailor. The board voted to reorganize the councils back to committees and reset term limits for them. There was discussion about all states using the career center for job postings. There are three states that have their own career center on their state web site. At this time the board tabled action until a later time, but the NATA provides this service and states are asked not to do this on their own.

The board approved co-branding appropriate educational offerings with the NATA Research and Education Foundation. This will get the NATA's name out more in will help with the public relations effort with the public and others.

The board received a report from the district structure project team. After reviewing the two areas identified by the team it was reported that the current structure can suffice for now, a series of best practices to be shared with the district boards, the structure of the NATA should be reviewed on a regular



Hall of Fame Members

1994 Inductees

Victor Byron "Jack" Bird
Oklahoma State University

Charles Cramer
Cramer Chemical Com-
pany

Frank H. Cramer
Cramer Chemical Com-
pany

Oliver J. "Ollie" DeVictor
University of Missouri

Arthur D. Dickenson
University of Northern
Iowa

**James Henry "Doc" John-
son**
Oklahoma State University

Bruce Melin
Washington University in
Saint Louis
Kansas State University

Laurence "Porky" Morgan
Kansas State University

Dean Nesmith
University of Kansas

Kenneth Rawlinson
Kansas State University

Paul Schneider
University of Nebraska

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basis, and continue a good and clear pathway of communication to the district and back to the board.

Last March we discussed at the annual meeting a request for a by-law change to allow associate members of the NATA voting powers. We voted in favor of the request. Well enough of the other districts' voted not to allow this to pass so the request failed.

In other news from the NATA, as most of you know Rep. Ed Towns (D-NY) reintroduced the ATEAM legislation, HR 2785. This is the same bill as last session. We have also requested a congressional research study to assist our efforts to get the ATEAM bill heard.

Lastly, Last week I received an e-mail that one of our members named a 2012 MacArthur Fellow. Kevin Guskiewicz was named to receive this honor. It comes with a \$500,000 no strings attached award. This is a big honor for Kevin in what he has done to advance our knowledge about concussion, sports medicine research and the profession of athletic training.

Have a great fall and holiday season. I look forward to seeing you in Topeka in March 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwight Eric McDonnell, M. Ed, ATC, LAT
District V Director



Hall of Fame Members

1995 Inductees

Warren G. Arial Jr.

Iowa State University

Roland E. "Duke" LaRue

University of Nebraska

Ronald "Kickapoo" Logan

University of Kansas

Al Ortalani

Pittsburg State

University

C.F. "Frank" Randall III

Iowa State University

John Dudley Rockwell

University of Colorado

Wayne Rudy

Kansas City Chiefs

George F. Sullivan

University of Nebraska

Fred Wappel

University of Missouri

Letter from MAATA President Doug Long



G'day all.

Hopefully you are enjoying some much needed relief from the brutal heat that we have been "enjoying" this summer.

The Board of Directors met via conference call on Thursday, October 6th. We covered several items of business in a very short amount of time. I appreciate the Board members' preparation ahead of the meeting. They were all ready to discuss topics on the agenda and move through the agenda efficiently. We had 102 minutes of agenda proposed and we were done in fewer than 95 minutes.

One of the major pieces of the agenda was a review of our Constitutional/ By-laws changes. There were many formatting changes. We borrowed the format from District One in which we moved all the duties, responsibilities, selection, term limits, etc. into the by-laws section. The Constitution will contain only the business aspects of the Association. These are the headings of the articles included in the Constitution: NAME (of the organization), OBJECTIVES, MEMBERSHIP (categories which will be the same as the NATA), ORGANIZATION (as far as officers, elected board members and advisory board members), COMMITTEES, GOVERNMENT (meetings and voting eligibility) and how to our Constitution and the By-Laws AMENDMENTS are made.

The major change to the By-Laws was a return to ascension from District President to District Director. You will see a note from Rusty McKune in this newsletter, who was the chair of a task-force that was in charge of investigating feasibility, necessity and options for returning to an ascension. In the last constitution revision we eliminated the ascension process to accommodate the Involve and Evolve philosophy. Upon further review by the official in the press box we became aware that there was potential for a District Director to be put in office with an unclear estimation of the requirements to fulfill the duties of that post. (I was not involved in any part of the task force's operations, other than to provide historical perspective the last constitutional re-write.)



Hall of Fame Members

1996 Inductees

James Booher

South Dakota State
University

Denis F. "Izzy" Israw

North Dakota State
University

1997 Inductee

Dr. Ronald VanDam

Central Missouri State
University

1998 Inductee

John A. Baxter

Emporia State University

1999 Inductees

Clint Thompson

Truman State University

Wayne Wagner

University of Nebraska -
Omaha

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Nominations for NATA awards are open now and will be closing on November 1st. It takes about two point two minutes to nominate one of your deserving colleagues. Here is a link that will take you to the NATA nomination page. <http://www.nata.org/nata-honors-awards-nomination-form> Please give some consideration to putting someone's name in for one of these awards. We had several winners last year. I would like for that awards ceremony to be the All-District 5 Show.

Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer (MDAT) and Athletic Training Service (ATS) Awards open in September. You are welcome to submit nominations of qualifying, deserving athletic trainers you know who meet the criteria. I would love to see several names from our district appear as winners of those awards. We had nine people in our district receive one of these two awards.

Here are the criteria for the MDAT: The Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer award recognizes NATA members who have demonstrated exceptional commitment to leadership, volunteer service, advocacy and distinguished professional activities as an athletic trainer. MDAT recipients have been involved in the service and leadership activities at the national and district level. **Award Eligibility:** NATA member in good standing, 20 years BOC certification, 20 years membership in NATA.

Here are the criteria for the ATS: The Athletic Trainer Service award recognizes NATA members for their contributions to the athletic training profession as a volunteer at the local, state, and district levels. ATSA recipients have been involved in professional associations, community organizations, grassroots public relations efforts and service as a volunteer athletic trainer. **Award Eligibility:** NATA member in good standing, 15 years BOC certification, 15 years membership in NATA, Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award recipients or members of the NATA Hall of Fame may not be considered for the Service Award.

Please make plans now to attend our Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium in March 16th, 17th and 18th in Topeka, KS. Our future meetings will be in Tulsa, OK at the Downtown Doubletree in 2013, they are looking on the I-80 corridor for 2014. We are normally scheduled to be in the I-90 corridor that year. Since the NATA convention is in Las Vegas that year we thought it might be best to stay in a region where we have had traditionally higher attendance.



Hall of Fame Members

2000 Inductee

Danny Foster

University of Iowa

2001 Inductees

Keith Fritzpatrick

Mitchell High School

Kathy English

University of Nebraska

- Kearney

2002 Inductee

Jeff Fair

Oklahoma State

University

2003 Inductees

Craig Holz

Midland Senior High

School

Jerry Weber

University of Nebraska

2004 Inductee

Ed Crowley

University of Iowa

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We have also been invited to look into having our convention at Royals Stadium in Kansas City. I did not know that they have meeting rooms in the stadium that are capable of holding local high school proms. So we should be able to fit. The drawback would be that we will need to look for hotels near the stadium for sleeping rooms.

Heather Plater is the Inside Sales Representative for the Royals. She was saying that we may be able to work in an early season home game in conjunction with our meeting. This may mean that we have our annual meeting a week or two later in the year. We are not locked into this venue; it is an option that we are considering. We could be able to include a baseball game on Saturday. We may have to plan our convention for the first week of April, rather than the middle of March. If you have a strong opinion one way or the other please let your State Representative or me know.

We will be revisiting our Mission, Vision and Values statements in 2012. If you have an interest in being part of this task force please let your State Representative or me know. I will be looking for 5 to 9 people to develop those statements for our association.

Please make plans to attend our meeting in Topeka if you can. Dr. West and his committee have been busy scheduling a great line up of speakers. If you have been in the Capitol Plaza in Topeka you will remember it is a great venue for our meeting. The sleeping rooms are large and we have a great rate for them. The catering is above average. I will be looking forward to seeing you there. Have a good fall and winter sports seasons.

Doug Long PhD, ATC
 MAATA President
 Great Plains Sports and Therapy Center
 North Platte, Nebraska



Hall of Fame Members

2005 Inductee

Kathie Courtney
South Dakota State
University

2006 Inductees

Randy Biggerstaff
Lindenwood University

David "D C" Colt

Northwest Missouri
State University

2007 Inductee

Dr. Kathie Courtney
South Dakota

2008 Inductee

Anton "Tony" Martinez
Nebraska

2009 Inductee

Lynn Bott
University of Kansas

2011 Inductees

Denise Fandel
NATA BOC

Jeff McKibbin

University of Central
Oklahoma

Letter from DV-ATSLC President Kaitlin Christensen



I, Kaitlin Christensen, President of the District Five – Athletic Training Student Leadership Council (DV-ATSLC), hope this letter finds you well. This purpose of this letter is to inform the students, program directors, and others about what we have been up to and need.

Good leadership needs a lot of support, and I believe we have it. Our council has strong representation from each state. Each state has one student member on the council, and their contact information as well as mine and others can be found on the MAATA website under the Student Section link (<http://maata.net/Student+Section>). Good leadership also needs open lines of communication, so this letter also serves as an open invitation to contact your respective council members, or me, about questions, concerns, or ideas you have. In respect to opening the lines of communication we have few other postings on the website that should help and following items to report.

Regarding the upcoming 2012 MAATA Meeting and Symposium in Topeka, KS on March 15th – 17th we have reviewed feedback from the last meeting and are hoping to add lectures for students that discuss concussions, functional movement assessments, dietary supplements, and graduate degree choices to our already established program. We are also hoping to add a Round Table event that will introduce athletic trainers from different clinical environments to the students with time added for small group questions and answers. Another hopeful edition will be to designate an area for students to gather. Our established program already includes a Welcome Reception, BOC exam review, student oral and poster abstract presentations, and Quiz Bowl, in conjunction with the Hall of Fame and Scholarship Dinner, and MAATA and State meetings. Please keep checking back with us about the meeting schedule because it has not been finalized. It is our hope that student membership attendance grows even more this year. We believe that this meeting is the best opportunity students have to meet important people in the part of the country they may wish continue as athletic trainers.



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In respect to the student abstract submissions, which has spurred the regular membership to now do something similar, we have had to define a “student” as the lead author’s status at time of the submission deadline. The student submission deadline for the 2012 meeting is Jan. 13th, 2012. If the lead author is not a student on this date, then the abstract should be submitted to the regular membership abstract group. The deadline for the regular membership submissions is mid-November. Remember students can only submit one abstract as the lead author. The review of the abstracts are blind peer-reviewed by members of the College/University Athletic Training Student Committee. All of the submission materials and guidelines are posted under the MAATA Student Section.

The Quiz Bowl has also undergone a slight change. This year there will be only 2 rounds instead of 3. The first round all of the teams will compete and second will include only the top ½ from the first round. The scores from the first round will not count in the second round. Similar to years past, each state is allowed to have 2 teams compete. The respective state council member is responsible to submit a completed application for each team. Other rules and regulations are posted on the website. Again we hope this event is fun and engaging. The winner represents District Five in the National Quiz Bowl.

One item the DV-ATSLC has to more strongly address has both positives and negatives, and that is the MAATA Athletic Trainers’ Student Leadership Council Scholarship fundraising and applications. In 2009, it was agreed by this council that each accredited program raise \$1000 by the conclusion of the 2013 MAATA meeting. This money would support an endowed \$2300 scholarship for students in the district. This means that each program by the end of the 2012 meeting should have raised \$750. Unfortunately, this fundraising campaign is well short of that goal. Therefore, we are asking students, program directors, and others to contact their state leadership councils about completing this task. Currently, the District Five Board of Directors has supported the shortcomings, so the most recent winner of the MAATA ATSLC Scholarship, Amber Wilson, can benefit now. Just as important we need to increase the amount of applications for all of the scholarship awards given out by the NATA Foundation. Historically, we have not had many applications, which mean other students in other districts are not being challenged by ours. These \$2,300 scholarships go a long way in helping a student be successful.

**DV-ATSLC President
Letter**



DV-ATSLC President Letter Continued

The application packet deadline for the 2012 scholarships is early February. All of the application materials and guidelines are available on the NATA REF website (<http://www.natafoundation.org/scholarship-program>).

In closing, I hope this note helps us help you, and represents our commitment to the district and our fellow students. If you are student reading this we hope you are also successfully working towards completing their degrees.

Sincerely,
Kaitlin Christensen
DV-ATSLC, President

Reservation Information for the 2012 MAATA Annual Meeting

Reservations can be made online at www.capitolplazahoteltopeka.com Click on "book online" and you will be redirected to reservations page. In the top paragraph you will see "click here" to continue for secure bookings. After clicking there you will be redirected to the reservation booking page. Select "group reservation" to continue booking. Group rates are available 2 days prior to and 1 day after the event dates. Please be sure to select your check in and check out dates as reservations will default for the entire length of time the group rate is available. The attendee code for the discounted rate is **MAATA**. Once the code is entered, you will be able to select the dates and book your reservation. OR, call the hotel directly at (800) 579-7937 (please mention you are part of **Mid-American Athletic Trainers Assn** or group code **ATH2**).



Notification Of MAATA By-Law Change

The Board of Directors would like to take this opportunity to inform the MAATA membership of an important amendment to the MAATA By-Laws that was approved during the MAATA BOD conference call held on Thursday, October 6th.

During the District V Board of Directors meeting held in New Orleans at the NATA National Convention, a discussion was held regarding the process through which the position of District Director is selected/attained. At the time of the discussion in June, the MAATA By-Laws stated that the position was an elected position with a two year term, and the potential for a second two year term should a vote of confidence be received from the MAATA membership. If the membership recalls, the previous method was an ascension model through which the MAATA President ascended to the role of District Director after serving as President during the previous twelve months. Eric McDonnell was to have been the last President to ascend to the Director's position and the election process was to have been initiated as the selection procedure for Director McDonnell's successor.

As indicated, a discussion surrounding this method was held during the Board of Directors Meeting in June. There was some concern that while the current election procedure might allow for the involvement of more individuals, the potential existed for an individual to be elected who was ill-prepared for the demands that come with holding the position of District Director. It was therefore asserted that the ascension model that had previously existed might be a model through which the President could gain valuable experience and insight that would serve them, and ultimately District V well as they ascended to the position of District Director. These experiences could be lacking in an individual elected under the by-laws that were in place in June.

The result of the discussion was the formation of a task force charged with:

1. Evaluating the process that was in place at that time- selection through the election process, as it compared to the ascension model which had existed before. Based upon this evaluation the task force was to determine if it would serve the District best to continue with the election process or return to the ascension model.

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2. If it was determined that the District would be better served by returning to the ascension model, the task force was further charged with developing wording for the amendment to the by-laws that would accomplish this change.

The results of these two charges were to be presented to the Board of Directors during the fall conference call which was to be held in late September or early October.

Throughout the month of July, the task force evaluated the NATA By-Laws to ensure that should it be determined that a change was in order, it would not violate the NATA By-Laws. The By-Laws of the other Districts were also evaluated to see how each addressed the process. In early August, a conference call was held to address the first charge. During that call, the task force came to the unanimous decision that it would serve in the best interest of the District to return to an ascension model.

Based upon this decision, the task force then set out to address the second charge and that was to develop wording for an amendment to the by-laws that addressed this recommendation. Wording was subsequently developed and presented to the Board of Directors during their fall conference call.

To summarize, the following are the charges of the task force the response to those charges:

Charge 1: Evaluate the process that was in place at that time- selection through the election process, as it compared to the ascension model which had existed before. Based upon this evaluation the task force was to determine if it would serve the District best to continue with the election process or return to the ascension model.

Task Force Recommendation:

Abandon the election process for the position of District Director and return to the ascension model. It was further the recommendation of the task force that this change be approved and instituted immediately.



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Charge 2: Develop wording for an amendment to the by-laws that would address the intent and purpose of the recommendation to return to the ascension model

Task Force Response:

The following is the wording that was presented to the MAATA Board of Directors for their approval on October 6, 2011.

District Director

1.1. Term of Office. *The District Director shall ascend from the elected office of District President and shall have a term of office of two (2) years. He/she may serve a second two (2) year term with a vote of confidence from the eligible voting membership.*

1.2. Selection. *The District Director shall have served in good standing as the President of the MAATA during the twelve (12) months prior to the succession to Director. The incoming District Director shall assume the new duties during the NATA Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium.*

1.2.1. If the District Director wishes to seek a second term, he/she shall declare their intentions at the MAATA Annual Meeting concluding the first (1st) year of the first (1st) term. At that time, a voice vote of confidence will be asked for from the eligible voting members present at that meeting.

1.2.2. If the District Director chooses not to seek a second term, the MAATA President will ascend to the position of District Director during the NATA Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium at the conclusion of the current Directors first (1st) two year term.

1.2.3. If the District Director fails to receive a vote of confidence, the MAATA President will ascend to the position of District Director during the NATA Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium at the conclusion of the current Directors' first (1st) two year term.

1.2.4. Should the District Director fail, for any reason, to complete their term in office, and the current President meets the eligibility requirements outlined in section 1.2, the President will immediately ascend to the position of District Director for the remainder of that two-year term and the Vice-President will ascend to President in accordance with Article 4.9.2 of the MAATA Constitution. If this occurs prior to the MAATA Annual Meeting concluding the first (1st) year of



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the first (1st) term, it shall be counted as the first (1st) term of the new Director. If this occurs at a point thereafter, it will not be counted in the two (2) term limit.

2. **District President**

2.1. Term of Office. *The District President shall have an elected term of office of two (2) years. S/he may serve a second two (2) year term provided the District Director chooses to seek a second term, receives a vote of confidence from the membership, and the President subsequently receives a vote of confidence from the membership. Should the President not receive a vote of confidence or choose not to serve a second term, a new President will be selected. In either case, after leaving office, the President will not ascend to the District Director position.*

2.1.1. If the District President wishes to seek a second term, he/she shall declare their intentions at the MAATA Annual Meeting concluding the first (1st) year of the first (1st) term. If the District President wishes to seek a second term, s/he shall declare their intentions at the MAATA Annual Meeting concluding the first (1st) year of the first (1st) term. At that time, a voice vote of confidence will be asked for from the eligible voting members present.

2.1.2. If the District President fails to receive a vote of confidence, an election will be held in accordance with the process outlined in section 2.2 and 2.3.

2.1.3. Should the District President fail, for any reason, to complete their term in office, the Vice President will immediately ascend to the position of District President and remain in this position until the next scheduled election. A new Vice President will be selected in accordance with the process outlined in Article 3 of the MAATA By-Laws.

2.2. Eligibility. *The District President shall be a certified member that has served as an elected member of the MAATA Board of Directors within the last eight (8) years*

2.3. Selection. *Whenever there is a vacancy for the office of District President, the Nominating Committee shall present two (2) candidates to district membership. The Nominating Committee will gather nominations from the pool of eligible certified members. All interested candidates who meet the eligibility requirements will notify the Nomination Committee in writing of their interest prior to the NATA Annual*



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Meeting. All eligible candidates will give a presentation to the Nominating Committee at the MAATA Annual Meeting. Each presentation will not last longer than 10 minutes. The Nominating Committee will present two names to the District membership. The two candidates will deliver a 5 minute presentation to the membership at the subsequent MAATA Business Meeting at the Annual Meeting. Information will also be placed on the MAATA web site and other standard communication to the membership prior to voting. The District President shall be elected by a majority of popular vote by the voting membership of the MAATA. The election will be completed electronically or by postal mail by the end of February prior to the MAATA Annual Meeting. The new District President will start the term at the NATA Annual Meeting.

In closing, the MAATA Board of Directors would like to reiterate that these changes to the MAATA By-Laws were presented, voted on and unanimously approved by the Board of Directors during the October 6th Conference call. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact any member of the Board of Directors.

State News

Nebraska

1. Continuing to work on the implementation of LB 260. Focus has shifted towards working with educational institutions, hospitals and athletic organizations on how to implement and comply with the new law which will go into effect on July 1, 2012. The NSATA has partnered with Sports Safety International to offer ConcussionWise to the NSATA membership, Nebraska coaches, parents and student-athletes education about concussions and LB 260. ConcussionWise is a course that has been approved by the Chief Medical Officer to meet the bills requirements for coaching education.
2. The NSATA continues to work on efforts to build relationships with other organizations across the state. We are hoping to be able to speak at the NEMSA conference which will be held in Columbus, NE in March.
3. The NSATA Executive Board will be visiting all CAATE Accredited Athletic Training Education Programs across the state to help inform the students about opportunities within the NSATA that range from scholarships to the NSATA Student Leadership Council. We also hope to begin fostering an understanding of the importance of being involved with ones profession and the leadership opportunities and experiences that exist now and once the students have graduated and entered the professional ranks.



News from the States

South Dakota

1. Lana M. Loken Ed D, ATC - elected to the State Association Advisory Committee - please see the following press release for details:

<http://www.dwu.edu/press/2011/oct13.htm>

2. The Dakota Wesleyan University (Mitchell, SD) Athletic Training Students are planning two upcoming service projects:

- On October 14th and 15th - the students will be providing blood pressure checks at the Mitchell Cabelas. This is opening of pheasant hunting season in South Dakota. The goal is to increase awareness of physical condition for those at risk for CV issues.

- On November 16th the DWU Athletic Training Club along with Randi Christensen, MS, ATC and Lana Loken Ed D, ATC will be conducting their 3rd annual Coaches' Clinic. Topics included are: Shoulder, Elbow, Wrist, & Hand Taping and Wrapping, Taping/Wrapping of the ankle and foot, Taping/Wrapping of the knee and hip, Weight lifting techniques, sideline concussion evaluation and What is Sports medicine and legal implication of concussion management (secondary to our new concussion legislation).

3. Listed below is a link to a story on a couple of Augustana College senior ATS who participated in unique internships this past summer. Sid Dreyer worked the San Francisco 49ers training camp and Katie Erdahl worked at IMG - a prestigious rehabilitation facility in Bradenton, Florida

http://www.goaugie.com/news/2011/10/4/GEN_1004111940.aspx?path=general

4. On July 1, 2011 South Dakota's Concussion legislation took effect. Secondary schools are now required to have training for coaches on concussion recognition. Student athletes who suffer a concussion must be removed from activity and can not return until released by a healthcare provider trained in the assessment, treatment, and return-to-play criteria for concussions.

5. State Meeting was held in May in conjunction with Sanford Sports Medicine Symposium.

6. Working on a more dynamic website - hopefully up in the fall

7. Working on Incorporation status.



News from the States

South Dakota

State awards have been announced - 3 Iron Will and AT of the year

Iron Will:

Steph Frohwein - Sioux Falls Lincoln High

Shanna Kindt - ATC, Sanford

Sami Smith - Sioux Falls Washington

Darred Nelson - Orthopedic Institute

Erika Olson - Sioux Falls O'Gorman

Terry Truex - Orthopedic Institute

ATC of the Year:

Rochelle Laruet - O'Gorman

Pictures of DWU Students Service Projects

Blood Pressure Checks at Cabelas in Mitchell, SD





News from the States

Missouri

Missouri is pleased to announce that Katherine “Kitty” Newsham was selected as the president-elect for Missouri. Kitty brings with her a wealth of experience from various settings, including college, industrial, high school, and clinical. She has served on committees for research, governmental affairs, and education. We are excited to have her join the state leadership.

The Executive Committee has been working on a strategic plan that will address long range plans regarding legislation, recognition in the state, increased membership involvement, and continuous improvement of the annual meeting. The next annual meeting will take place June 1 and 2 in Warrensburg, MO.

Missouri’s Interscholastic Youth Sports Brain Injury Prevention Act, HB 300, will take effect on December 31, 2011. MoATA is actively involved with official rules making session conducted by various state agencies and other stakeholders to set the guidelines for the implementation of the legislation.

During the last week of June 26-29, the NATA Annual meeting will be held in St. Louis, MO. Amy Schork, the chair of the Host Committee, will be looking for volunteers to assist with a variety of duties that make the meeting run so smoothly. Please look for information from Amy and take the time to help our state and district show some great Midwest hospitality.

Volunteer at the 2012 NATA Annual Meeting

Convention 2012 is in St. Louis this year! The host for the convention is Amy Wieszorek Schork. She will be looking for volunteers to help make this convention run smoothly. If you are interested in helping out at the convention, please contact her at amyschork48@webster.edu or 314-246-7715. Let's make sure that District 5 is well represented with plenty of volunteers.



Committee News

CUATC

The College/University Athletic Trainers Honors and Awards Committee needs your help to make sure our profession's top contributors are recognized in 2012! Any NATA member may nominate a colleague for one of the association's national honors or awards. The CUATC urges you to nominate a deserving colleague for one of the CUATC awards! Awards are available in the following categories:

- Head Athletic Trainer of the Year in the NCAA D1, NCAA D2, NCAA D3, NAIA and Junior College/Community College
- Assistant Athletic Trainer of the Year
- Above and Beyond Award
- New Horizon

Please visit the Honors and Awards main web page and select an award to view the description, past recipients, eligibility requirements and nomination procedures. Nominations close Nov. 1. Awards will be presented during the 2012 Annual Meeting & Clinical Symposia in St. Louis.

The link is: <http://www.nata.org/honors-awards>

CEPAT Committee

Since the national meeting in June, CEPAT has been revising its strategic goals to reach the goals set by NATA Vision Quest. Also, we have teamed up with the NATA Career Center, to help find a better and easier way to search for Athletic Training opportunities. If anyone has questions or concerns regarding CEPAT, please feel free to contact Denise Rieck (drrieck@columbushosp.org).

Young Professionals

We have a new representative from the state of Iowa, Amanda Brown. She was appointed by Diane Bartholomew, and takes over for Jason Ulenhake. Another outgoing member is Terrance Keller of North Dakota. We thank Jason and Terrance for their service to the D5 YPC. Also we are continuing our efforts with the ATEP Outreach project titled, "From Student to Young Professional". We discuss making the transition to becoming a young professional leader. PD's can request a visit from the YPC by contacting their state rep or myself directly by email. Kansas rep Anna Manternach will be conducting the presentation at their state symposium KATS this year. "PD's please encourage your students to attend."

In addition, the NATA symposium will be held in St. Louis this year. We need several young professional volunteers (<35yrs) that would be willing to pick up members of our NATA BOD and transport them to their hotels etc. The YPC has sponsored the BOD pick-up for a couple years now, and it has been a wonderful professional networking opportunity for YPs. Contact Young Professionals chair Jay Hoffman at jhoffman@culver.edu if you are interested.



Public Relations

The Public Relations Committee is excited to report a successful year of activities. We have met our goals for 2011 and look forward to the goals and challenges we face in 2012. During the past year we become more visible and published state news in the NATA News each month. This is a great leap from years past.

Committee members also welcome Jill Nerio! She serves as the Oklahoma Athletic Trainers' Association Public Relations chair. We are glad to have you on board Jill!

Members who may need assistance with public relation efforts, please contact myself or your state public relations chair. We can help!

Jess O'Neel, Public Relations Chair

Governmental Affairs

Legislative grant information was sent out to all the states GAC reps regarding deadlines for the NATA GAC Grants on July 9, 2011. Several states were approved for Basic and/or Basic Plus but no states applied for the discretionary grant monies.

In 2010 and 2011, all 7 states in District V passed Athlete Safety Legislation. NEXT: Each state should review their practice act and determine what they believe to be strengths and weakness. At some point, there may be some discussion with each individual state as that currently the NATA is reviewing each states practice act as one component of NATA's Vision Quest.

On August 2, 2011, Rep. Edolphus "Ed" Towns (N.Y.-10) introduced **the Athletic Trainers' Equal Access to Medicare Act of 2011 (ATEAM) (HR 2785)** into the U.S. House of Representatives. The Act will ensure that Medicare beneficiaries have better access to quality health care provided by state licensed or certified athletic trainers. **SAVE THE DATE! Capitol Hill Day** has been scheduled for February 24, 2012.

Part of what we do on the political scene is assisted by the **NATA Political Action Committee (PAC)**. When we are all busy with our own responsibilities, it is nice to have a group that will step in and do what we don't have time to do.

When you renew your NATA membership, contribute to PAC, even if it is only \$5.00, at least you can we can say District V is trying to do our part. Some will give more, which is GREAT, but do SOMETHING! If you can't afford \$5.00, then donate your time to call someone that will contribute on your behalf and encourage your local colleagues to get involved.

Jeff McKibbin, Governmental Affairs Chair.



Committee News

NATA Research and Education Foundation

Welcome undergraduate, graduate, and doctorate athletic training education students. Would you be interested in receiving scholarship money of \$2,300.00 for furthering your education? My name is Chad Keller, MSED, ATC, RN-BSN, I am the district V representative on the NATA Research and Education Scholarship Committee. The NATA Foundation awards undergraduate, master's, and doctoral scholarships. The number of scholarship varies annually (from 50 to 75), with the amount of the award currently \$2,300 per scholarship. Scholarship funding is secured through a variety of sources, including the organization's endowment program, as well as through corporate and individual support.

The NATA Research and Education Foundation is celebrating 20 years of funding scholarships and research grants! The Foundation has launched a **20/20 campaign** to celebrate this occasion. Please log on to the Foundation website www.natafoundation.org and donate \$20 to this campaign.

The NATA Research and Education Foundation awarded **61 scholarships** to undergraduate and graduate students at the meeting in New Orleans. From District 5 received scholarships worth \$2,300 each. Amber Wilson (Missouri State), Michael Atkinson (Truman State), Yichen Sun (Wichita State), and Josh Lammert from Northeast Missouri State) were awarded scholarships worth \$2,300. Scholarship applications for this year are due Feb. 6, 2012. Check out the Foundation website for applications.

The Foundation funds a variety of grants to help improve the profession of athletic training. Grant applications for general grants are due Feb. 15, Doctoral grants are due March 1, and Master's grants are due April 1. Go to the Foundation website to apply for grants and to read grant summaries of previous winners.

District 5 has endowed a Foundation scholarship in honor of the students of our district. Each accredited program has been challenged to raise \$250 each year to support this scholarship. Help support the students in our district by participating in this challenge. Conduct a fundraising event and send the proceeds to District Treasurer, John Roslien. As of March 2011, **our schools have raised \$10,089.02**. Let's double it this year!



MAATA Research and Education Committee

Mid-America Athletic Trainers' Association
Research and Education Committee

GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION – Research Grants

The awards for District V are determined and presented by the Mid-America Athletic Trainers' Association Research and Education Committee. These grants are designed to assist athletic trainers, both certified and students, in conducting quality minor research and instructional development in the area of Athletic Training. At this time, the amount available to be awarded is \$3500. This will be split as described below. The deadline for receipt of proposals is January 15. Notification of review outcomes will be made to applicants by the end of February. All proposals must be made electronically. Presentation of awards will be made at the Mid-America Athletic Trainer's Association Meeting and Symposium in March of each year.

AWARDS

The allotted \$3500 will be split into pre-determined amounts (\$500, \$1,000, and \$1,500). Each applicant will designate which amount they are applying for. The pre-determined splits will allow the reviewers to focus on the merits of the proposal without concern about the dollar amount to be awarded amongst multiple applications. Funds will only be dispersed to an institution and not to an individual.

WHO MAY SUBMIT A PROPOSAL

Any member of the MAATA, certified, eligible for certification, or athletic training student may apply for an award from the Research and Education Committee. The grant proposals are awarded for research in Athletic Training or development of instructional technology in any of the Domains of Athletic Training as established by the BOC. These projects will be evaluated and considered on their merit and financial need. Grants from the Research and Education Committee are awarded one time only for the duration of the proposed project and are not renewable.

WHEN TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL

The review process will only have one cycle each year. The deadline for the receipt of proposals is January 15. AWHERE TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL

All completed proposal must be submitted electronically. All requests for application forms and mailings should be sent to:

W. David Carr, Ph.D., ATC
wdcarr@ku.edu



MAATA Research and Education Committee

RESTRICTIONS AND OBLIGATIONS

The MAATA Research and Education Grants are intended to support research projects or development of instructional technology in athletic training. Monies may be used for the cost of paper, surveys, mailings, computer time, collection of statistical data, some perishable materials used in the conduct of research and other minor expenses. This grant may **not** be used to pay indirect costs (facilities and administrative costs assessed by the institution with which the grantee is associated or under whose auspices the grantee is conducting research funded by this grant). This grant may **not** be used for professional travel not associated with grant related research. The Research Committee will consider requests for support of research, scholarly and creative projects in fields directly associated with the athletic training profession. The Committee will not consider proposals for the preparation and writing of textbooks, or requests for more than two grants in four years. All research proposals that utilize human or animal subjects **must** provide evidence that Institutional Review Board approval has been granted or is being sought. Final IRB authorization is not required at the time of the grant application, but is required prior to the dispersal of funds. Research projects using existing or publicly available data or any project that falls under exempt status must provide their rationale in the application cover letter. Applicants that do not have institutional review boards at their Institutions should follow the Declaration of Helsinki 41st World Medical Assembly regarding human subjects, in which case, all informed consent forms should be provided and attached as appendices. Incomplete applications will not be considered for funding.

All funds will be dispersed to a sponsoring institution. No funds will be dispersed to individuals. A grant to an individual would be considered income and must be taxed.

The recipient of a NATA District Five Membership Grant is obligated upon request to:

1. Prepare the results of the project for a poster presentation to the MAATA Annual Symposium within one year of completion of the project.
2. Prepare an abstract for submission to the NATA Free Communications, sponsored by the NATAREF, at the next annual symposium. Abstract must be submitted to the MAATA Research and Education Committee chair when the study is completed.
3. Insure that any individual or agency associated with the conduct of the project will subscribe and adhere to the guidelines for nondiscrimination, reporting obligations and use of funds associated with this award.
4. Notify the MAATA Research and Education Committee chair of any modifications of the original project during the time that awards are made available to the recipient.
5. Prepare an accounting of funds spent/dispersed one year from receiving the grant and upon completion of the project.

Committee News



MAATA Research and Education Committee

REVIEW PROCESS

Grant applications will be e-mailed directly to the MAATA Research and Education Committee Chair. The chair of the committee will distribute blind copies to committee members. Each proposal will be evaluated by the committee without reference to the specific individuals or institutions involved. Committee members will not review their own proposals or those from their own institution. The merit of the applications will be based on their practical application to the field of athletic training and sports injury prevention, originality, specific methodology, and overall design characteristics.

REVIEW GUIDELINES

All members of the MAATA Research and Education Committee will receive the applications for evaluation under a blind review. This means that the applications will be presented, in total, to each panel member without reference to the principal investigator, staff or institution in which the research will be conducted. The general procedures will include the following administrative guidelines:

Each member of the committee will receive the applications and proposals by January 20.

Each committee member will review the applications and proposals for completeness and clarity. If more than one application is received, committee members will rank those they feel should receive grant monies based on the merit of the research or project to the field of athletic training. Suggestions about the appropriateness of the proposal and support or denial of funds will be submitted by email to the committee chair by February 10.

Once materials have been reviewed and returned to the committee chair, they will be collated and ranked if there is more than one. Approval or denial of application will be returned by email to the applicant by February 28th. If minor revisions need to be made to the proposal, the applicant will be given until February 25th to complete the revisions and resubmit the proposal to the committee chair.

If no research is deemed quality, no monies will be awarded.

EVALUATION CRITERIA CATEGORIES

The review process is conducted for each individual request and includes weighing the general merits of the proposal without regard to any quotas. The basic criteria for evaluating the proposals will be associated with the following general considerations.

The extent to which the proposal will make a contribution to the clinical or educational aspects of athletic training.

The extent to which the purpose of the project is clear, specific and attainable.

The quality and nature of the proposed products of the research project.

The extent to which the supporting facilities/resources will be available for the completion of the project.



Annual Meeting Committee

MAATA Annual Meeting Committee

The 2012 MAATA Annual Meeting and Symposium will be held March 15-17, 2011, at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Topeka, Kansas. While the total number of CEUs to be offered at the meeting is not finalized, the Planning Committee hopes to provide a minimum of 20 CEUs (including pre-conference workshops) over the three day period.

Thursday, March 15th will include Pre-conference workshops for students and Certified Members. There will be an *Aquatic Therapy* Pre-Conference session for **Certified Athletic Trainers** on Thursday, beginning late morning and continuing until the early afternoon. This workshop is designed to allow attendees to perform the skills as they are taught and will include “dry-land” instruction along with practice in the water. A second Pre-Conference session related to treatment/rehabilitation techniques is being planned for Thursday afternoon and will conclude in the early evening. The **Student pre-conference session** will be the *ACES Preparatory Workshop for the BOC Exam*. It will start Thursday morning, will go through Thursday evening, and will end around midday on Friday.

The general sessions will be held on Friday and Saturday, March 16-17. As in the past, the 2012 Meeting will include many traditional 60-75 minute sessions on a variety of topics and will also include more opportunities for practical application of the information presented. In an effort to provide more “hands-on” opportunities during the meeting, attendees will have the option of attending *Learning Labs*. In addition to the traditional 60-75 minute sessions and the learning labs, this year’s meeting will feature “learning blocks” with approximately 3-5 individuals presenting on a specific topic for an extended period of time. This will allow attendees to “go deeper” with a particular topic. Tentative topics include: Modalities, General Medical Conditions, and Evidence-Based Practice in Athletic Training. There will also be student programming and student presentations during this year’s symposium!

In addition to the pre-conference and general sessions, the 2012 Meeting will include all of the traditional events as well. These events include: an opening reception for students on Thursday night, the state business meetings, the district business meeting, the Hall of Fame and Awards Dinner, the Quiz Bowl, and the original research presentations by Certified Athletic Trainers and Athletic Training Students.

As a reminder, proposals are still being accepted for topics that will be presented as *General Sessions*. Proposals must be submitted by 5:00 PM (CST) on November 18, 2011. Proposals for *Free Communication Presentations* (15 minutes of presentation followed by 5 minutes of questions and answers) are also being accepted until 5:00 PM (CST) on November 14, 2011. More information regarding the calls for proposals is available on the MAATA Website.

For answers to specific questions regarding the 2012 MAATA Annual Meeting contact Mark Stutz, 402-465-2277, mstutz@nebrwesleyan.edu



Call for Student Presentations



2012 MAATA District V Annual Meeting and Symposium
Topeka, KS
March 15 - 17, 2012

Presentations will be either oral or poster and given on March 16th or 17th during the annual meeting. The goal of the student presentations is to disseminate peer-reviewed scholarly research and discussion topics related to the scope of practice in athletic training. This forum is focused on providing undergraduate and graduate athletic training students the opportunity to help advance the profession of athletic training. The District V – Athletic Training Student Leadership Council with the tutelage of the District V – College & University Athletic Training Student Leadership oversees all aspects of these presentations, and only accepts high quality presentable work.

[Please read the instructions carefully.](#) The aforementioned groups have made an effort to provide enough instruction to assist with successful submissions. Instructions are described on separate documents.

There are two different submission options. The first is the Scholarly Research Option that similar to the Peer Reviewed Track described by the NATAREF Free Communications Committee. The second option is the Topic Exchange Option, which allows students to share information without being subjected to a typical scientific review. Regardless of the option, each presentation must be mentored by at least one athletic trainer and include his/her/their names. The table below summarizes the topic differences between the two tracks.

Scholarly Research Option*	Topic Exchange Option
<i>Basic</i>	<i>Current Issues</i>
<i>Survey</i>	<i>Tips from the Field</i>
<i>Meta-Analysis</i>	<i>Review of Literature</i>
<i>Systematic Reviews</i>	<i>Shared Experiences</i>
<i>Qualitative</i>	<i>Equipment Comparisons</i>
<i>Clinical Case Report</i>	
<i>Clinical Case Series</i>	

The general differences between the 2 stated options are that the Scholarly Research involves the scientific method. Scientific methods include a specific research question answered using appropriate data collection and statistical testing methods under the guidance of an Intuition Review Board when necessary. Specific descriptions of each subcategory are defined by the NATA REF. Moreover, the review of the Scholarly Research Option abstracts follows similar rigor to that of the NATA REF. On the other hand, the Topic Exchange is not based on the scientific method, meaning that these presentations are experiential and opinion based, which may lead into changing how we perceive our practice, profession, and education.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS IS JANUARY 13, 2012

Please make sure you select the correct abstract option on your submission form. If you are uncertain, or need further assistance please contact:

*Jody B. Brucker
319.273.6477
jody.brucker@uni.edu*

Call for Athletic
Training Student
Presentations



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Reservation Information for the 2012 MAATA Annual Meeting

Reservations can be made online at www.capitolplazahoteltopeka.com. Click on "book online" and you will be redirected to reservations page. In the top paragraph you will see "click here" to continue for secure bookings. After clicking there you will be redirected to the reservation booking page. Select "group reservation" to continue booking. Group rates are available 2 days prior to and 1 day after the event dates. Please be sure to select your check in and check out dates as reservations will default for the entire length of time the group rate is available. The attendee code for the discounted rate is **MAATA**. Once the code is entered, you will be able to select the dates and book your reservation. OR, call the hotel directly at (800) 579-7937 (please mention you are part of **Mid-American Athletic Trainers Assn** or group code **ATH2**).

MAATA Photos

Augustana's Senior Athletic Training Students Sid Dreyer and Katie Erdahl summer internship. See South Dakota news on more information.

To comment on this newsletter or submit information and pictures for the next MAATA Newsletter, please send an e-mail to Mike Sloup, MAATA Newsletter Editor @ mjssloup@columbushosp.org. The next issue will be in the Spring 2012.

