

MAOT Annual Business Meeting
November 9, 2023

Board Present: Michelle Savrann, Melissa Tapp, Karen Hefler, Kylie Brenneman, Lisa Boyajian, Susan Krikorian, Jan Hollenbeck, Casey Morle, Mary O’Donnell, Brij Maliya, Minna Levine, Tay Amin- Arsal, Lisa Simonetti, Jess Bauza de Garcia,

Guests: Emily Walker, Sasha St. Pierre, Hailey Calderone, Victoria? , Zoe Nadiri, Abigail?, Alison Cronin, Stacie Pierce, Jessica Thacker, Jessica Dawley, Jordyn Robertson, Kyle Cormier, Corrie Trattner, Beth Shulman, Chelsey Drillis, Rossj? Abigail? Shorena McLane, Amy Trautman, Dawn? Nicole S

MAOT Administrator: Lisa Salemi

Absent: Daisy Reed, Brittany Adams, Alexis Morin

Topic	Discussion	Follow-up Plan
<p>Financial Update</p>	<p>Membership: Fiscal Year 2022: 369 members Fiscal Year 2023: 429 members</p> <p>Annual Conference: 2023: 340 registered participants (prime revenue stream)</p> <p>Advertising SIGs Approved Provider Program</p>	
<p>Expenses</p>	<p>Administrative Manager Payroll Worker’s Compensation Lobbyist Banking Fees/Affinipay Accountant Services (annual taxes) Liability Insurance</p>	<p>Efforts to Decrease Expenses</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Changed payroll company to lower fees 2. Changed Bank to lower fees 3. Decreased Website cost by \$2000 by

	<p>Website/Domain</p> <p>Conference Expenses</p> <p>Technology</p> <p>Misc. State Fees</p>	<p>Consolidating # of Contacts</p> <p>4. Removed phone and electricity expense</p> <p>5. Administrative Manager: Tracking in detail all expenses and communicating regularly with Treasurer</p> <p>6. All spending requests are reviewed and approved by the executive board</p>
<p>MAOT Activities FY 22/23</p>	<p>MAOT Bylaws Passed!</p> <p>Website Updated</p> <p>New board position- DEIRJ</p> <p>Co-Government Relations Rep Model</p> <p>Credentials campaign</p> <p>Continuing Competence and expanding opportunities for “approved” CE activities</p> <p>Legislation: Licensure Compact, OT Role in Mental Health</p> <p>Save the Date: April 12, 2024 Advocacy Day</p> <p>MAOT Membership: Fiscal Year 2022-2023: 369 Members</p> <p>288 Occupational Therapists</p> <p>21 Occupational Therapy Assistants</p> <p>11 Retired Occupational Therapists</p>	

	<p>1 Retired Occupational Therapy Assistant</p> <p>48 Students</p>	
<p>MAOT Initiatives for FY 23/24</p>	<p>Licensure Compact and Mental Health Bills</p> <p>Recruitment: Co- Reimbursement Rep Model</p> <p>SIG Task Group: Lead by Brittany Adams and Minna Levine</p> <p>Review current SIG themes, policies, and procedures, contact hours</p> <p>New SIG development</p> <p>OTA focused activities</p> <p>Increase student engagement</p> <p>Development of members only content-make membership worthwhile</p> <p>November 1, 2024, is the MAOT/RIOTA 2024 Annual Conference Date in Norwood, Ma.</p>	
<p>Report on Motions from Fall RA Meeting</p>	<p>Tay Amin-Arsala, MA RA Rep is reporting:</p> <p>4 Motions (occurring and are in process):</p> <p>Societal Statement on Reproductive Health (Spring 2024)</p> <p>Position Statement on Pelvic Health (Spring 2025)</p> <p>Task Force to Establish Model Competencies in Reproductive and Pelvic Health (Start in Dec. 2023)</p> <p>Policy Guidance on School-Based Practice</p> <p>4 Requests for Action (RFA):</p>	

	<p>Pelvic and Reproductive Health School Practice Action Plan Official Document on Workload Approach in School-Based Practice (Workload vs. Caseload) Professional Policy to Affirm the Occupational Impact of being Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC)</p> <p>11/15/23 @ 8pm is next Live RA Meeting-AOTA website for details</p>	
<p>Legislative Update from MA Government Relations Team</p>	<p>Mary (rep) and Karen H. (co rep)-Government Relations/Legislation:</p> <p>Urgent Call to Action for Mental Health Bill</p> <p>Act relative to OT interstate licensure compact (in committee)</p> <p>Resolve establishing a task force on MassHealth (in committee)</p> <p>Add OTPs to list of licensed MH professionals in MA:</p> <p>Hearing scheduled for 11/14 at 10am for this!</p> <p>Need written testimony by 12/4!! ANY professionals can support! (SW, nurses, etc)</p> <p>Asking AOTA to draft a letter as well --Please send everything to Lisa!</p> <p>Lobbyist Report (Lisa Simonetti):</p> <p>7,000 pieces of legislation are filed on average.</p>	

	Board of Allied Health- Licensure Board/CE regs/etc.	
Member Q and A	-Visuals of OT/OTA members by state for associations is recommended. (Approx 9,000 practitioners in MA)	