

MAOT Minutes

January 27, 2021

I. Call to Order and Welcome

1. Present: Donna, Karen, Melanie, Casey, Michelle, Lisa, Jan, Brittany, Susan, Alissa
2. Absent: Tina, Sarah, Daria
3. Quorum established and meeting called to order – 6:20pm

II. Approval of Past Meeting Minutes

1. July 2020 minutes
 - a. Minor changes recommended by Karen, **Brittany** to make updates
2. **Unanimously approved**

III. New business

1. Appointments
 - a. Need Reimbursement/Public Relations Representatives – no leads
 2. Job descriptions
 - a. Karen sent out doc with suggestions/edits
 - b. Added that board members must be members of MAOT and must attend 75% of meetings
 - c. Added member at large MAOT liaison to DESE (Jan's position)
 - d. **Lisa makes motion, Michelle seconds, unanimously approved**
 3. Linda Duncombe Award for Mental Health
 - a. Weren't able to get this ready for conference –
 - b. **Lisa and Michelle** to work on award for next year – to present in at June meeting
 - c. Award requests are sent over summer
 4. Town Halls
 - a. School-based Medicaid Program – Feb 25th, 6-7:30pm
 - Open to OT, PT, and SLP – emails going out through all three associations
 - 100 max participants on zoom, free, no contact hours
 - **Jan makes motion, Susan seconds, unanimously approved**
 - b. Other topics
 - OT/OTA interviewing – Lisa B
 - Future of telehealth in MA – Lisa Simonetti
 - OT Policy - Lisa/Sarah
 - Diversity/inclusion – Alissa/Sarah
 - OT/OTA Supervision – Lisa
 5. New Logo
 - a. Doing release with winner
 6. Bylaws/Strategic Plan
 - a. Need to review and revise
 - b. **Donna and Karen** to send out email to garner interest and develop committee
 7. OT/PT/AT as vaccine providers
 - a. Discussed whether MAOT wants to sign onto this letter
 - b. Waiting to see letter and will continue discussion
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IV. Updates

1. Membership update
 - a. 249 OT, 20 OTA, 53 students, total 330
2. Conference update
 - a. Oct 2020
 - Conference total \$2459.00
 - Profit \$9566.00
 - b. Oct 28, 2021
 - Consider collaborating with PT if in person
 - Camp Cody wants to donate \$1500 gift cards
 - Consider for silent auction?
 - **Karen** to clarify if gift cards are for 2021 summer or 2022
3. SIG update
 - a. New SIG application - JEDI in OT education and practice – justice equity diversity and inclusion
 - Sarah McKinnon, Mandy Mack, Meredith Grinnell
 - **Michelle makes motion, Casey seconds, unanimously approved**
 - b. Discussion of **Town Hall to do a SIG showcase**
 - c. New SIG app – Virtual Mentoring for new OTPs and OT/OTA students
 - Colleen Muse
 - **Brittany makes motion, Lisa seconds, unanimously approved**
4. Government Relations update
 - a. Resubmitting MH legislation
 - b. Telehealth has passed
 - c. OT compact is contingent on passing of continuing competency regs
 - d. Need OT rep for allied health board
 - e. No respondents from members for new bills/legislation – need for increased education
 - f. Sarah's IHP student interested in legislative work and creating social media content
 - Facebook, email, consider MAOT Instagram account, update webpage
5. Social Media
 - a. Melanie – can create Instagram, but hesitant because the appearance of the content is different – currently using Facebook
 - b. **Melanie and Sarah** to work together on legislation content for social media
6. Budget update
 - a. On target
 - b. Conference numbers need to be added/adjusted
 - c. President's Travel line- disperse to other lines?
 - d. **Karen and Casey** to have separate budget meeting in Feb

V. Next Meetings

1. **Donna** to send doodle poll

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VI. Adjournment

1. **Michelle makes motion to adjourn, seconded by Melanie, unanimously approved.**