



Mississippi Athletic Trainer's Association
2009 MATA Business Meeting
MINUTES
Wednesday, July 1, 2009
Biloxi, MS
IP Resort & Spa
8:00 A.M.

Officers

Donna Wesley, President
Jeff Bryant, Vice-President
Heather Landry, Secretary
Troy Armstrong, Treasurer
Tim Colbert, Director of Professional Development
Dr. James O'Mara, Physician Representative
Mike Wilkinson, Member At Large

MATA Members

Attendees of 2009 Symposium

A business meeting of the Mississippi Athletic Trainer's Association officers, and present members, was held at the 2009 MATA Summer Symposium, in Biloxi, MS, as above noted.

Motion was made by Walt Wilkins, to dismiss the reading of the 2008 MATA Business meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Mike Wilkinson with all in favor and no opposition.

Treasurer Troy Armstrong reported that the 2009 Andy Bryan Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship was awarded to Keela Hill from Delta State University. Kim McMichael Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Felicia Salter from Delta State University.

President Donna Wesley recognized outstanding MATA member Ross Langston who was recently inducted into the Mississippi Association Coaches Hall of Fame. Also recognized were Jeff Bryant winner of the SEATA High School Athletic Trainer of the Year Award, Mike Wilkinson winner of the SEATA District Athletic Trainer of the Year Award, Dr. Gene Barrett winner of the 2009 SEATA Jack Houston Sports Medicine Person of the Year Award.

District Director R.T. Floyd reviewed recent actions of the NATA, including recent board action of the NATA, along with awards, and honors for SEATA. SEATA will be hosting the 2011 NATA Convention in New Orleans. Volunteers will be needed to assist. In October, a change was made in the lobbying group used for SEATA. Capitol Hill Day was a success with over 500 participants. In regards to HR 1137, also know as ATEAM, all members were encouraged to contact Washington and their Senators/Representatives in support of this bill. Contact can be made via the NATA

website thru the Legislative Alert Center. Additional recent news in NATA was discussed including committees formed, studies being conducted, and uniform terminology put into place. Recent news in SEATA was discussed including upcoming conferences, changes in by-law wording, changes in dues, nominations for upcoming elections, and recent award winners. Members were encouraged to nominate others for awards and scholarships. It was proposed that \$5.00 increase be made to district dues, in addition to the state dues increase made last year.

President Donna Wesley thanked members for their participation in a very active year, starting in January 2009 with MATA Day at the Capitol. Four members of the executive committee were able to go to Washington, DC to help campaign for HR1137 along with students who attended ILead. The Executive Committee will make future decisions on awards recipients if there are no nominations made by members. The Executive Committee elected The Clay Firm for the 2009 Sports Medicine Person of the Year for their efforts in legislative changes. The Athletic Training Advisory Committee Meeting, normally held following this meeting, was held on Monday with MSDH with David Kweiler and Festis Simkins due to the early scheduled time of this year's business meeting. Members were then congratulated on the new licensure becoming effective on this date, July 1, 2009.

Vice President Jeff Bryant reported on this year's discounted hotel room rates and a proposal was made to possibly maintain the current location for the 2010 Meeting to be discussed later in the meeting. Vendors were given thanks for their participation and contributions.

Secretary Heather Landry had no new information to report at this time.

Treasurer Troy Armstrong reviewed the previous year's financial statement. (**SEE ATTACHED COPY OF FINANCIAL REPORT)

Director of Professional Development Tim Colbert encouraged members to present ideas for future topics to be presented at the annual symposium. Details were given on the golf tournament to be held later that day. Dr. Jay O'Mara was given thanks for his presence in our meeting. Members were encouraged to continue their participation in the MATA Meeting.

NATA Foundation committee, Mike Wilkinson, reported that they are currently working on an endowed scholarship to be given out. SEATA awarded several endowed scholarships including students from the University of Southern Mississippi and Delta State University.

College and Universities committee, Scott Johnson, addressed the changes made in the ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder) policy for medication distribution and drug testing. Further information can be found on the NCAA website as well as the Drug Free Sport website. Members were encouraged to nominate others for the upcoming year's SEATA awards.

President Donna Wesley reviewed the new licensure and last year's decision to update current by-laws. SEATA dues increase for the state will go into effect in 2010. Those who are not MATA members will also see a five dollar increase in state membership fees.

Treasurer Troy Armstrong reported that MATA Research & Education Foundation account has been opened. However at this time it is not tax deductible. Any contributions were encouraged.

President Donna Wesley reported that the policy and procedures manual is a continuous work in progress and is currently being updated with necessary changes being made. Vice President Jeff Bryant reported that application was made for a Secondary Schools Grant. It has been awarded and will be used for necessary funding needed to help promote the profession of athletic training in the secondary school setting.

Gerald Jordan reported that online registration for the MATA symposium is currently under investigation. Treasurer Troy Armstrong stated that, pending by-law approval plans will be made to have on-line registration as well as future elections posted on the website for easy access.

Troy Armstrong reported that there has been a MATA Political Action Committee (PAC) established. A motion was made by Tim Colbert to establish a separate account similar to that of the REF (which is set up as a 503-c). Motion seconded by Mike Wilkinson with all in favor and no opposition. Troy Armstrong was given the authority to open an account for PAC with the following stipulations: (1) this account shall be opened with Regions Bank, (2) the MATA President or Treasurer (currently held by Donna Wesley and Troy Armstrong respectively) shall be given authority to write checks on this account and (3) the address of this account shall be 1300 S. Fifth Ave. Cleveland, MS 38732. Members were encouraged to continue an active presence with legislators. Contributing to the PAC will allow for purchasing of the necessary gifts, travel, etc. to assist in maintaining good graces with legislators. Lapel pins will be awarded to members making contributions of five dollars or greater.

President Donna Wesley reported that the Executive Committee, in the meeting held yesterday, voted in favor of contract renewal with The Clay Firm for the next two years at fifteen thousand dollars per year. A motion was made in favor of a five dollar increase in SEATA dues increase on the district level. Motion seconded by Mike Wilkinson with all in favor and no opposition; MATA President, Donna Wesley will vote on behalf of the membership at the next SEATA meeting.

Vice President Jeff Bryant presented promotional items for the MATA and asked members for feedback to be given.

President Donna Wesley encouraged members to volunteer as Regional Representatives. Currently Regions I, III, and V are in need of assistance. Members were also

encouraged to volunteer as Committee Representatives. Current committees in need are Public Relations, Revenue, and the SEATA Life Balancing Project Team. Any interested members were encouraged to contact her for details.

Vice President Jeff Bryant opened discussion for options for future sights for MATA meetings. Membership was asked if there was any opposition for hosting the 2010 MATA Symposium at the Imperial Palace again. Members expressed no opposition at that time.

President Donna Wesley recognized Dr. Jay O'Mara for his presence at this year's MATA Symposium.

Treasurer Troy Armstrong asked for volunteers for fund raiser chair of the MATA PAC. Any interested members were encouraged to contact him for details. Recognition was given to President Donna Wesley for her dedication to the MATA.

Motion was made to adjourn at 9:00 A.M.

MISSISSIPPI ATHLETIC TRAINERS ASSOCIATIO
Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Equity - Income Tax Basis
June 30, 2009

Assets

Current Assets

UNION PLANTERS - MAIN
LPL INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

\$ 38,211.43
22,786.16

Total Current Assets

60,997.59

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Long-Term Liabilities	Liabilites	
	Equity	
Equity		
FUND BALANCE	53,590.37	
FUND BALANCE - RESTRICTED	175.00	
Net Income	<u>7,232.22</u>	
Total Equity		<u>60,997.59</u>
Total Liabilities and Equity		<u>\$ 60,997.59</u>

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MISSISSIPPI ATHLETIC TRAINERS ASSOCIATIO
Statement of Revenues & Expenses-Income Tax Basis
For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2009

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2009
Income	
REGISTRATION FEES	\$ 3,785.00
MEMBERSHIP DUES	6,038.15
SPONSORSHIP	4,400.00
GOV AFFAIRS	135.00
DIVIDENDS & INTEREST	19.80
NATA GRANT	<u>18,602.97</u>
Total Income	<u>32,980.92</u>
Gross Profit	<u>32,980.92</u>
Operating Expenses	
LOBBYIST - CAMPAIGNS	15,000.00
DAY AT THE CAPITOL	1,368.22
NATA HIT THE HILL DC	2,195.96
MISCELLANEOUS	2,732.95
SCHOLARSHIP	1,500.00
WEBSITE	308.88
LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL	750.00
POSTAGE	4.17
GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS	1,241.54
MATA SUPPLIES	<u>646.98</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>25,748.70</u>
Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ 7,232.22</u>

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