Meeting 9:21am, mary motions to start, Tony seconds

In attendance: Val newman, Mary Andrus, Heather Leigh, Tony Labrosse, Maia Wheeler, Iu-Luen, Lariza, Gina, Lisa D, Danielle Loscascio, Sara Miller.

President – Mary Andrus

Website

Lisa offered editing for website Members encouraged to send photos or assist in updating new website Val and Iu-Luen- directory for 'find an art therapist'

- Certificates for 2011 board members
- Binders-keep or move to digital version on our new website?

 Create digital "binder." tony will ask IATA about paper financial files
- Video on IATA

IATA banner for events and PR

- Elevator speech about IATA

 Need to develop one, revisit the website mission statement, Gina, Lariza,

 Heather
- Who are we and what do we do?
- IATA Swag
- ByLaw Revisions?

Tony and Mary, Gina, Heather to edit

Lariza mentions: voting rights? Rewrite to add for further voting board

NOMINATIONS!!!

Maia Wheeler, stepping down from Program Chair, temp fill in to dec Next Year:

President elect

Director of Public Relations

Membership

Treasurer

Conference Chair (1 yr)

• Strategic planning goals

Mary will post to Yahoo group

Updates:

- Inservice on inservices
- Ethics panel
- Educators meeting (Illinois Art Therapy Practice Inquiry)
- Autism event
- SpeakPEACE event
- Newsletter issues

Transitioning format of newsletter to blog, e-alert to note change

- Children's mental health day
- Judy S event
- Future conference planning
- ****IRS documentation-Mary Meeting with Tony on May 31st
- Current conference planning
- Student Brunch
- Heart making
- Transitioning our website

President Elect – Heather Leigh

- Planning for 2013 conference:
 - present member analysis and get board feedback on what we are thinking and have discussed with SIUE and educators about Chicago-based conference at SAIC due to space needs (maybe needs vote?)
- website plans and timeline for new site
 - o request help with content development; can show what we have already
- Recap Judy Sutherland workshop -- what I am noticing is that these really draw new people (beyond our regulars) and could be a key way to attract new members and get more people engaged; as well as provide wonderful professional development for our members -- would like to get feedback from board and make a plan for more of these CEU events as a focus for 2013, even start getting some great presenters on the calendar who might get busy (like Harriet Wadeson)
- 2012 Conference -- did Joanna RSVP for the meeting and give some points?

Secretary – Julie Ludwick

- Thank you for updating your contact information quickly! The updated list is under files on IATA yahoo group.
- I sent invitations to 10+ members about 2 weeks ago. No one joined. I will invite you again as the invitation only lasts about 2 weeks. When you see, "Invitation to join IATA yahoo group", click on it, and join. On this page there are tabs to sign in with a facebook or google account as well if you do not have yahoo.

Director – Valerie Newman

Treasurer – Tony LaBrosse

- review processes and report on the balances of our accounts.
- liability insurance for board members.

Director of Public Relations – Gina Portelli

- Discuss the website, Animating Democracy, as a potential networking tool.
- Confirm upcoming events for CEU applications.

Director of Membership – Sara Miller

Publication – Lisa D'Innoncenzo and Shan Ju Lin

- IATA website will have a calendar that reflects e-alert announcements. It's being updated all the time, please check our new website for IATA activities and other events in the arts and mental health community.
- e-alert gets a new look! stay tuned! I am also accepting suggestions about how e-alert can serve you better!
- Call for Member artworks! E Alert artworks are running low!!!
 - a. Images should be about 2 megs in size, in standard digital format. Please, rename files with your FULL NAME and TITLE OF WORK. Also, please include any descriptive copy you would like to include with each image. Files should be emailed to iata.e.alert@gmail.com
 - b. Images submitted for display in the gallery will be posted on the public photo sharing site Slickr and IATA website. All image rights remain that of the artist.

Programs – Melissa Hedlund and Maia Wheeler

Outreach – Scheherazade Tillet, Amy Smethurst, Beatriz Isabel Alacron, Hannah Shinozaki, Allison Barton.

Ethics - lu-Luen Jeng and Jenifer C. Korotko

- State of Art Therapy panel: looking for potential dates in July. Jenny is coordinating with panelists.
- How to work as art therapist in multidisciplinary setting will be another ethic panel this year, we are looking for August or September.
- Developing the art therapy tool kit with outreach chairs.

Archives – Amy Hahn

• Attached is a list for the past presidents/honorary members art show.

Governmental Affairs – Lariza Fenner, Leah Gipson, Mackenzie Saina, Megan Campbell, Laura Ebach

- title protection: who are we? What do we do?
- 2 parts to study
 - o logistics
 - o best practices

Conference – Joanna Zakhem, Theresa Dewey, Andrea Koch

• In the midst of contract reviews and narrowing down specifics for the opening and closing receptions. Still in the process of working out the contracts for the keynote and space. We have started working on the contract for the brochure and

- are in the process of planning the kick-off and closing reception (I am in talks with a local bar to see if they will sponsor our closing reception).
- We are *extending the deadline for proposals to May 31st* so submit, submit! any questions can be directed to me either at <u>(734)658-0479</u> or joannazakhem@hotmail.com.

Request proposals: Lisa to email: amy s. Gina to email: Lariza Mary to email: Suellen

Discussion of potential regional conference at SIUE in the future vs. having SIUE host IATA annual conference.

• we are doing a call for artwork for the brochure. Here is the email that we sent out...

Dear friends and colleagues,

We hope you are all doing well! We wanted to reach out to different art therapy organizations, schools, students, artists, professionals, etc. on behalf of the Illinois Art Therapy Association Conference Committee. We are doing a call for artwork for this year's conference brochure. The theme of this year's conference is: Creating Possibilities: Art Therapy and Resilience in Contemporary Practice. The conference will be held on October 27, 2012 at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

To submit your artwork for consideration please email a digital copy/photograph of the artwork to:

Jackie Bousek: jbousek@gmail.com

-or-

Kristina Vogt: <u>kvogt8@gmail.com</u>

Make sure all photographs are 300 dpi and in a jpg format (i.e. TITLE.jpg)

If you cannot submit digitally, please contact me directly and we can set up a mailing address. The deadline for submissions is June 1, 2012. Here is the link to last year's conference brochure for reference:

http://illinoisarttherapy.org/wp-

content/uploads/2011/06/IATA Brochure 2011 FINAL2.pdf

Thank you for your time and please email us with any questions! Please forward this to anyone you may think is interested.

Take Care!

Exhibitions – Cate Barrington-Ward

- 4 board members participated in this month's FSC Open House.
- The opening reception for the Dincin Center Thresholds exhibition is Friday 25 May 5-8pm at FSC. The show will also be open on Saturday 26 May 10am-4pm. Please come along and show your support (please distribute attached flyer).
- A call for artwork has gone out to all IATA members for the Pop-Up Loop gallery application. The deadline is Monday 11 June. If you are interested in being involved please email me a brief artist biography, together with samples of your artwork and the following information:
 - o name of artist
 - o title of artwork
 - o year created
 - o medium
 - o dimensions
 - o either price or NFS
- Both 2D and 3D is acceptable, in any medium including photography. Please address all questions and entries to catebw@hotmail.com

Student Representatives

Danielle Loscascio – Brief overview of "cupcakes for a cause"

Lisa will email about her upcoming show

Next meeting: Sunday, Aug 5, 11am: Chief O'Neil's: Tony will book reservation

Motion to end meeting at 11:10am Mary, Val seconds.