



IATA Board Meeting

Sunday, July 15th, 2018, 2-3:30 pm

Location: Virtual

<https://www.gotomeet.me/IllinoisArtTherapy>

Call in info: United States: +1 (872) 240-3212

Access Code: 706-868-877

Attendees:

	Executive Board		Committee Chairs
			Program Chair:
x	President: Iu-Luen Jeng		Exhibitions Chair :Meredith Raque
	President Elect: Stephanie Clark	x	Conference Chair: Caroline Tye
	Secretary/Archives: Sarah L'Heureux		Conference Chair Elect: Maria Kim
	Treasurer: Stephanie Clark (temp)		
x	Membership Director: Kelly Burns	x	Communications Chair: Sam Daab
	Marketing Director: vacant		Outreach Chair: Morgan Waggoner
x	Government Affairs Chair: Lynne linkowski		Nominations Chair: Rebecca DeGraw
			Ethics Chair: Jen Buckler
			Multicultural and Diversity Chair: Benjamin Mengebier
			Student Representative: vacant
Additional Attendees (please write in name if not below)			
	Jennifer Cox		
	Katie Ricamato		
	Pita Minerof Bartos		
X	billiam_g@yahoo.com Bill Schwartz		

MINUTES:

lu-luen informal start at 2:00 pm with Kelly?

Actual motion to start below in bold

Discussion 1: summer meetings

- we need to discuss what is productive for meetings in summer time
- IJ I would like more people on the meetings instead of half and half
- (not part of this meeting but side commentary--maybe a week night would work better in the summer time instead of a week end when people could be out of town)

Lynn arrived at 2:06pm

Discussion 2: Emails from William and Schwartz and Fabia D'Amore-Kurg (see the end of the email.)

- emails bumping into problems for reimbursement from government
- look at email--
- IJ--Lynn do you know Fabia and Will personally
- IJ in southern IL two experienced MATA because of location in IL state Art therapy is not billable for the code of IL and got a budget cut for the school because its not reimbursable and trying to figure out if AATA or IATA can help in allowing for AT to be billable
- Kelly? are they contractor or employed by school district
- AT is not in IEP paperwork included is speech, occupational, physical therapy
- do they want this policy changed so that AT is included in IEP's or what--a little confused about what they actually want
- Lynn-- I can talk about the school--the art therapy department at the school has been around for a very very long time about 20 years--unusual to have AT in public schools. Reality is that AT are up against budget cuts--social workers are billable AT cost money and doesn't generate money--the getting in the U200 language maybe would help them because only see students with IEP's

Caroline arrived at 2:13 pm

- AT is not billable under the school code
- Social workers are reimbursed by medicare but 3 AT positions are not billable
- LPC/LCPC not billable in school reimbursement code?
- Lynn-just as an update i've started on the questionnaire about license protection or AT IL licensure and emailed Daniel from IMCHA about school code
- IJ I can you feedback on the questionnaire

IJ motion to start meeting at 2:16 pm

Sam second

All in agreement

***IJ--sarah gave feedback about us stating our names first as we speak so that she can add the detail about who is saying what. So let's practice this today.

- IJ-review problem solving about billing code about AT in schools--reached out to Lynne to reach out to IMCHA and emailed AATA and invited will and fabiola but couldn't this week

-Lynn-IMHCA asked for insight about next steps for advocating, hey I'm happy to look into it but unfamiliar about chapter 200 school..from feb 2014 but not a recent update--AT is considered exempt from OT, PT are included but exempt art, music or rec therapy, transportation and services from suspended license holders

-Lynn- AT is often blanketed under rec therapy and its something I am up against in my job actually. Rec. T. is like sports, leisure activities, exercise..

-IJ- I don't think rec therapist have a clinical background and maybe I am naive but that's my understanding

-Sam-I was in an expressive therapy department that had art therapist, music therapist and rec therapist and of those three art therapist require the most advanced licensure and degrees and I don't know that they should all 3 be blanketed together--I agree with you

-Lynn- Rec T is a Bachelors and music is bachelors or masters

-IJ I think this is a title protection issue- I haven't heard back from AATA --I think we should come from a title protection perspective to protect our services in school

-Sam I think this is all related to the same issue about state IL license and title protection I am wondering where do we even start with this issue

-Caroline-same issue-i didn't know that any AT were in public schools I thought we were not allowed to be in schools and I was unaware that anywhere in the schools to begin with

-IJ- it is a chicago and I think an IL thing that you have to be a school counselor to be in the schools and I don't think there are any AT in school if they have regular license but have a school licensure

-Caroline- work at a therapeutic day school and we are working on writing art therapy into the IEP's

-Sam- we are not yet doing that but that's great I think we can also work in schools as an independent contractor in schools--in public schools and lake county

-Caroline-I would love to fight to get AT in schools and support that cause--so please let me know if I can help

Bill arrived at 2:24pm

-IJ I see that Bill is here and he is one of the art therapist that emailed me this week about this issue--Lynn I know your time is limited--

Discussion 3: IMHCA- Illinois Mental Health Counselor Association/ Revisit the vote of discontinuing our membership with IMHCA (annual fee-\$750):

We voted last week that \$3000 annual membership is not what we can afford. However, the info was incorrect. The membership is \$750 per year. We would like people reconsider the motion.

-vote about annual fee

-annual fee is \$750 are we interested in reinstating our relationship with IMHCA

-SAM- IMHCA dont they give us CEU's

-IJ IMHCA is the only that do advocacy work for LPC and LCPC and can we bring issues to IMHCA attention for all therapist and counselors perspectives--Us and dance movement therapist relationship with IMHCA, they also give us CEU accreditations--I feel that \$3000 vs \$750 very different budget-- \$3000 cant afford but \$750 I think we should do it

-Sam- I think we can continue to explore other options for CEU's but i think to be represented for legislature is an important thing to keep

-Lynn I think daniel was immediate to respond and I have been on their website a lot over the past month but I would vote to keep it because they are a valuable resource

-Caroline--agree with Lynn keep relationship with them until something might be better and need for CEU's too

-IJ want to reinstate new vote--contact membership from AATA and we can tag on \$10 more to go directly to IMHCA membership and helps us budget keeping our relationship with IMHCA

-Caroline- an extra fee that they could choose to tag on

-IJ it would be an option- or increase to \$40-- and \$5 extra to tag on for IMHCA membership

-Bill-figuring out how this works--I agree with what all that is said and i will be joining IATA and really like the IMHCA connection because of the advocacy

-Caroline- I don't think our members know what their money gets-give them a rational about what they pay and what we do for them

-IJ I can write up a language to AATA and have a brief summary to say what the money will be used for

-Caroline-I think that would be good license-real estate all the resources and help justify our fees

-IJ draft that language and email

-Sam I would like that as well so I can post on our website and add to welcome email every year in case that's not in their so I would like it sent to me

-Bill- was anyone able to read the email i sent an hour before email with thoughts about AT in schools--discovering and realizing by reading IL document and why AT positions long since not been reimbursable--looks like counselors are shut out of providing in schools--it might be a bigger problem than just AT and makes it just more important that IMHCA knows who we are and what we provide so that we aren't excluded

IJ-did you hear back from AATA did you hear back Bill

Bill - no i have not heard

IJ- I don't think music or dance music therapist included in this 200 bill and tackle for this year

Bill-also been in contact with at SEIU and Alton school district and professors expressed interest to put students or research on solving this issue

IJ- summary Motion to reconsider about canceling IMHCA at 2:39pm

Lynn- second at 2:40pm

IJ- second I motion to solve financial problem to keep IMHCA membership 2:40

Caroline second at 2:41

IJ-we need to make a decision by the end of july and online voting before then

Discussion 4: Title protection

Tackle for next year or two

Any thoughts besides draft

Lynn-open to go with what the group wants--Bill I'd like to follow up with you SEIU and having students help out with the IMHCA advocacy--and I would like to differentiate between title protection and state specific licensure and have done some research about states that have gone

either route and I think we offer both option but I think title protection would be the most beneficial for us and our members

-IJ- I would like to loop in IMHCA about our decision for title protection and/or II license I just want to use all other therapist as allies

-IJ- move on to other agenda items

-Bill thank you for including me and can you connect me with Lynn and connect professors that expressed interest

-IJ i will give lynn's email and i think we should be on a big group and i think this aligns with what IATA and AATA needs to work on this issue over next couple of years

-Bill left at 2:45pm

-Lynn-left at 2:46pm-let me know what I can work on this week please reach out will clean up documents

Discussion 5: Conference: SAIC hosts their own conference at the same week with us. Conference decided to cancel ours and do an alternative event instead.

-Caroline- discussion- decided not going to host a mini conference because it is a budget issue want to make money not lose money.

-IJ-touch base and what was the reason so people can know more about background

-Caroline- budget issue, SAIC on the same day and charging \$30 for 8.5 CEU's and we would be charging \$80 for 4 CEU's and difficult finding another date

-Kelly-disappointed that SAIC didn't reach out to us- didn't reach out to communications or me-i don't understand why weren't we informed or included--immediate reaction--I don't think this is cool

-Sam-I feel similar to you was not even notified that they were having that until promotional material sent out--i don't know where the fault lies--disappointed that we have to push our's back and maybe we can do a series

IJ- i think we should do a really kick ass conference next year and really focus on our art--i can help you with conference--and reach out to MATA kentucky wisconsin etc

Caroline--get things out now about our conference now sneak peaks to date theme and keynote to build interest

Sam-sooner we get things out the better--people have reached out to us about CEU's before licensure renewal in march

IJ- we can create promotion materials to forward to Savneet to go promote our events at their simposium

Sam-if we have that detail available we should do marketing

IJ-drawing in actual artist is good and do marketing at their simposium

Caroline- set up a booth to have art making materials to draw interest in our--community based art collaboration

IJ-i will reach out to Savneet and Caroline I will CC you

Discussion 6: Kelly's position

IJ-Kelly updates for your position

Kelly- husband and I relocating out of state in august and tenure my resignation as director of membership

IJ- amazing to work with you responsive and attentive and amazing and how authentic and reflective--two more requests can you recommend someone as good as you and second we need to celebrate you

Sam-i just want to say congrats and it's been great working with you, you are def going to be missed

Kelly-did you find a job in florida-brian offered a job and now I a randomly contacting art therapist
IJ-there are a pretty strong AT connection in florida

Discussion 7: Final remarks

IJ- I will email members to follow up and kelly I can debrief you now

Kelly can you tell me the date

IJ and caroline collaborate on email about voting and conference dates

Sam-not having a lot of luck with newer board members photos for website

IJ- motion to close meeting at 3:06 pm

Sam- second that