

## **WPTA - Southeast District**

Business Meeting Minutes: March 25, 2008

### **CHAIRPERSON – Amy Helminski, PT**

- Welcome to non-members and students. Motion passed to allow non-members to stay for meeting
- State: did not pass PT examining board in assembly
- EMG issue forum at conference
- WPTA webpage has information about the Spring Conference in April in Stevens Point

### **VICE CHAIR – Nicole Ponda, PT**

- Next PEARLS course: “What exercise prescription will improve the prognosis for people with Parkinsonism?” Thursday May 1<sup>st</sup> at Marquette from 5:30 to 8:30 pm for 3 contact hours
  - Information posted on the WPTA website
- If you have ideas for future PEARLS course or fundraisers contact Nicole

### **TREASURER – Becky Sewell, PT**

- Total amount: \$13271.49
- Checking: \$4970.59
- Savings: \$2271.65
- Money Market: \$2904.52
- CDs: \$2072.75, \$1051.98
- State allotment \$1720.00 for year

### **SECRETARY – Gina Basile, PT**

- Should be getting emails through Karen Oshman
- If you are not getting emails you can contact [wpta@wpta.org](mailto:wpta@wpta.org), but make sure that you change your contact information on the apta website at [www.apta.org](http://www.apta.org)
- Results of election with Becky Sewell remaining as Treasurer and Amy Helminski remaining as Chairperson
- Will notify Karen that the positions will remain the same

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS – Jill Buelow, PT**

- Welcome to Kimberly Ring who will take over as the new PR chair
- Radio commercial is in the works
- Who’s your PT? campaign
  - Ways to find PT through chapter office for those looking for a PT from other cities or states
  - If your clinic uses the “Whose your PT?” campaign, eligible for 50% reimbursement from the WPTA if it is a qualified ad.
  - More information in PT connections
- Amy thanks Jill for her work as the PR chair

### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIR – Heidi Weidner, PT**

- New professionals event for those with 5 years of experience or less
- State membership committee - watch for email after the Spring conference; survey of what you value as a member

- SE district – 790 members
- Total in the state – 1909

#### **ACADEMIC LIASON – Lois Harrison, PT**

- Acts as bridge between the state and students
- 6 schools in the district; let students know about meetings, etc.
- Distribute 2 students awards
- Newly elected state chair – Evan Nelson ([evan.nelson.dpt@gmail.com](mailto:evan.nelson.dpt@gmail.com))
- Has approved money to send students to conferences – look for information on the WPTA website
- Diane and Lois in charge of FUNFitness
  - Screening for the Special Olympics
  - First event April 5<sup>th</sup> in Oshkosh, second August 2<sup>nd</sup> in Eau Claire
  - Need 46 volunteers to screen ROM, strength, balance, flexibility in over 200 athletes

#### **NOMINATING CHAIR – Emily Isakson, PT**

- No report given

#### **PROGRAM COMMITTEE CHAIR – Phil Bergold, PT**

- Thank you to WPT-Fund for sponsoring tonight's meeting
  - Trust managed by the WPTA
  - Awards scholarships based on financial need
  - Chris Crivello scholarship - awarded for service in the community
  - Awards programs with a geriatric focus
  - When you donate to the WPT-Fund you can specify where you want your funds to go
  - Legacy endowment funds - \$1000 to be a member
- Upcoming meetings (6:00 p.m. start)
  - Tuesday 9/9/08 – Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare-All Saints in Racine
  - Tuesday 11/11/08 – MPM award at Marquette
  - Tuesday 3/24/09 at the Miller Inn
  - Tuesday 9/8/09 at Concordia
  - Tuesday 11/10/09 – MPM award at Marquette

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Discussion of sending out post cards with meeting dates to increase attendance at meetings
- Could be combined with fall elections
- Also discussion of sending them to places of employment instead
- Executive board to meet and come up with ideas to increase attendance at meetings

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Basile, PT