**North Central District – WPTA**

**Tuesday October 9, 2018 Meeting Minutes**

**Videoconference Sites:**

Marshfield: Nicki Quarne (Chair), Dave Smith (Secretary/Treasurer), Aaron Homolka, Janice Devine-Ruggles, Rick Schurman (CE presenter)

Merrill: Cindy Koehler

Park Falls: none

Stevens Point: Tyson Droessler, Dennis Kaster

Stettin (Wausau): Mary Repking

Wisconsin Rapids: Wes Kurszewski (Vice Chair)

Minocqua: none

C**E/Presentation/Discussion:** (end of meeting)

• **Rick Schurman** PT, presented from Marshfield on PT/Medical Mission Trip experiences and opportunities, *Lessons Learned from Overseas: Physical Therapist Mission Work*

**Officer Reports:**

* Review and approval of minutes from February meeting – (on website)
* Treasurer report– Dave Smith

o Account balance: $23, 465

**Subcommittees/Representatives:**

* Membership Committee: Denise Kearns-Legoo and Cindy Koehler
  + Cindy Koehler – no new info
* Education Committee: (Wes Kurszewski-Vice Chair, Janice Devine-Ruggles, Karna Sandok, Kate Bennett) – presented by Wes Kurszewski
  + Upcoming Courses: February NCD meeting; Brett Roberts to speak about the PAC and political issues
  + Current discussion about a member who is interested in joining committee
  + Goals: recently discussed. Continue Ethics every other year, and 1+ courses/year. Explore use of technology to assist CE presentations
  + WPTA CEU Locker: free account to keep track of CEUs and requirements, searching for approved courses, and assuring courses are high quality for our profession. Visit: http://www.wpta.org/ceu-locker/
  + Ideas for future courses: please get to CE Committee members (email Wes Kurszewski).
    - Acute Care – struggle to get topics and presenters
    - Certified Exercise Expert for the Aging Adult (CEEAA) – Kate Bennett currently researching
    - Yoga - ? 2019
    - Total Motion Release (outpatient focus)
    - Second level Vestibular course
  + Discussion at Mtg:
    - Dennis Kaster – acute care presentation about lab values, differences at district mtg. Ask Kate Bennett, Aspirus WI Rapids PT’s, St Mike’s PT’s in Point about options. Dennis will ask St Mike PT’s.

**Old Business:**

* Fall Conference: October 4-5, 2018 in Wisconsin Dells, WI - Nicki and Dennis provided highlights
  + Second highest attendance in recent history. 100 students attended.
  + Highlights of courses
  + Legislative issues discussed
    - Athletic Trainer bill – starting scope of practice expansion; mtgs with WPTA have been set up
    - Dry Needling – acupuncturists want to deny PT scope of practice
    - Licensure bill – Gov Walker wants to eliminate. WPTA disagrees
    - Work Comp Fee Schedule changes, challenges
    - Lobbyists go to events with legislators; need money to attend/entrance fee. Recommended donating to PAC. Goal is $20/member which would reach goal of $20,000. Currently, WPTA is at $12K. Next closest is NP’s at 29K, Chiropractors ($48K and $45K), Medical Assoc $75K, Hospital Assoc $417K.
* Motion last meeting to donate $2000 to the PAC passed. We also created a competition with the other districts to raise $2000 per district. We have learned the PAC can’t accept money from a district or group. It needs to be from individual members.
  + Possible solutions: (please let Nicki know if other ideas)
    - donate $2000 for a fundraiser event that would help get individual members to donate money to the PAC to attend the event.
    - Host a continuing education course: WPTA pays for the course, speaker fees, food, etc. Registrants register to pay for the course by paying their fee to the PAC.
    - Plan and host a fundraising event that will raise money for the PAC in our district or at the state level.
  + Discussion: group agreed great idea of hosting a CE course with fees going to PAC, and NCD paying for course/speaker/food/etc. Questions about legitimacy, legality of this option. ?Requiring people to donate. ?minimum donation allowed. ?entertainment vs education. ?requirements for this type of event. Dennis will discuss with WPTA President (Connie Kittleson)

**New Business:**

* Opportunity to create a committee or task force in our district to consider hosting an event or continuing education course to help with fundraising for the PAC – see above
* WPTA News
  + Stratigic Plan: developed a new WPTA Vision Statement. Dennis presented
    - Goal 1: association: financial viability of the chapter
      * Maintain stability without raising dues, or even decrease in future
      * We own WPTA building on high traffic road; high $ value. Possibility of selling high, buying bigger building at lower cost in another location
      * Autonomous Practice – spreading across WI
      * X-ray ordering – spreading. Aurora Health System PT’s will be able to order by January 2019 (anticipated).
    - Goal 2: society: address the Opioid crisis
      * Research shows PT provides better results, faster, than opiods
      * Dennis has presented about effects of dry needling
      * WPTA has a task force to promote people choosing PT first for pain control.
      * [www.moveliveplay.org](http://www.moveliveplay.org) is a consumer based website. Contest for short video to promote PT. See website or ask Nicki for details, prizes.
    - Goal 3: professional: continuing education and raise money for PAC. Strategic plan of the WPTA is to raise $20,000.00 for the PAC fund. Current balance is only $3000.00. See above Old Business: Legislative Issues for prior discussion and information.
* WPTA Connections Article: Please share any news for this article with Dave Smith ([smith.david@marshfieldclinic.org](mailto:smith.david@marshfieldclinic.org)), or any other Executive Committee member (Nicki Quarne, Wes Kurszewski).

**Upcoming Events: *SAVE THE DATE!!!***

• Spring Conference: April 25-26, 2019 in La Crosse, WI

• Fall Conference: October 10-11, 2019 in Madison, WI

**Future Meetings: Note the meetings will be held on the SECOND Tuesday of the month in Feb, May, and October. Our next meeting date is February 12, 2019 (see above for presenter)**

Submitted by the NCD Secretary/Treasurer, Dave Smith, MPT on October 17, 2018