

# ACADEMY OF NEUROLOGIC PHYSICAL THERAPY

## Minutes

Friday, February 14, 2020

APTA Combined Sections Meeting; Denver, Colorado

6:30-7:15 PM Business Meeting and Academy Awards; 7:00-9:30 PM Myelin Melter Reception

### Presidential Welcome and Introductions

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- Board of Directors members were introduced: Dennis Fell, Vice President; Nora Riley, Treasurer; Nancy Fell, Secretary; Laura Morris, Director of Communications; Beth Crowner, Director of Practice; Sue Perry, Director of Education; Patrick Sparto, Director of Research; George Hornby, Director of Knowledge Synthesis

### Approval of Consent Agenda

Patty Scheets

- 2019 Business Meeting Minutes were posted on the Academy website with e-notification for membership review provided on January 13, 2020. Nora Riley moved, Laura Morris seconded approval of the Consent Agenda. The motion passed.

### ANPT Growth and Breadth of Work

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- Membership received summative reports regarding strategic initiatives, membership growth and development, remarkable volunteer activities, and operational management enhancements that have occurred over the past 6 years.
  - 2 new Board of Directors positions
  - 1 new Special Interest Groups
  - 1 new standing committee
  - 5 new task forces (practice and knowledge translation-related)
  - Clinical practice guidelines (CPG) groups: 3 completed; 3 near completion; 2 in early development
  - 3 revision groups (2 EDGE and 1 CPG)
  - Instillation of GMP as the Academy's executive office and management services provider
  - Foundation for Physical Therapy cumulative support \$715,000
  - Journal of Neurologic Physical Therapy's 2.614 impact factor
  - Synapse Education Center and 2021 first ANPT Annual Conference in Minneapolis, MN

### Finance Report

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- A brief overview of Academy finances was presented
  - 2020 ANPT budget revenue and expense breakdowns
  - Established financial reserve policy (\$600,000)
  - Current investment fund > \$1,800,000

### Nominating Committee

Nora Fritz

- Dr. Fritz opened nominations to the floor for 2020 elections (Secretary, Directors of Communications and Practice; Special Interest Group Nominating Committee Member). Interested members should contact Dr. Fritz or visit the Academy's website.

### Presentation of Academy Awards

Board of Directors Members

- Early Career Professional – **Elizabeth Anderl, PT, DPT; Nicole Biltz, PT, DPT; Kaci Handerly, PT, DPT**
- Excellence in Neurologic Education – **Valerie Carter, PT, DPT**
- PT Clinical Excellence in Neurology – **Rachelle Studer-Byrne, PT, DPT**
- PTA Clinical Excellence in Neurology – **Amy Power-Versteeg, PTA**
- Outstanding Advocacy – **Patrick Kitzman, PT, MSPT, PhD**
- Excellence in Neurologic Research – **Lee Dibble, PT, ATC, PhD**
- Physical Therapy Student Abstract Research DPT Professional Award – **Julia Cocchi, SPT & Margarethe Hauschildt, SPT; Kayla Mathews, SPT**
- Physical Therapy Post-Professional Student Research Award – **Rachel Prusynski, PT, DPT**
- Patricia Leahy Award, PODS I – **Joseph Lesnak, PT, DPT**
- Mary Lou Barnes Award, PODS II – **Anne E. Palermo, PT, DPT**
- PODS II Scholarship – **Jordyn Rice, PT, DPT; Margaret French, PT, DPT**

**Journal of Neurologic Physical Therapy (JNPT) Update**

Edee Field-Fote

- Dr. Field-Fote acknowledged all of JNPT's associate editors and announced the appointment of George Fulk, PT, PhD, FAPTA as the Deputy Editor next Editor-in-Chief for the journal.

**Presentation of Golden Synapse Award**

Edee Field-Fote

- **Elinor Harrison, PhD, Adam Horin MA, and Gammon Earhart, PT, PhD, FAPTA**  
"Mental Singing Reduces Gait Variability More than Music Listening for Healthy Older Adults and People with Parkinson Disease"  
Published in JNPT October 2019. Volume 43, Number 4, pp. 204-211.

**Presentation of Academy Awards**

Board of Directors Members

- Service to the Academy – **Anna de Joya, PT, DSc**
- Anne Shumway-Cook Lectureship – **Susan L. Whitney, PT, DPT, ATC, PhD, FAPTA**

**Recognition of Outgoing Board Members**

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- Secretary – **Nancy Fell, PT, PhD**
- Director of Communications - **Laura Morris, PT, NCS**
- Director of Practice - **Beth Crowner, PT, DPT, NCS**

**2019 Certified Neurologic Clinical Specialists, Recertified and Emeritus Neurologic Clinical Specialists**

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- Groups of individuals receiving NCS designations were recognized.

**Adjourn**

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With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted, February 27, 2020.

Nancy Fell, Secretary