



BUSINESS MEETING

Friday, February 3, 2006

7-8:30 PM

Marriott Hotel – Hall 4

MINUTES

Introductions

Kathy Sullivan

The meeting was called to order.

Executive committee officers were recognized and introduced: Mike Studer, Vice President; Karen McCulloch, Secretary; Edee Field-Fote, Treasurer; Judy Deutsch, JNPT Editor; and Dorian Rose, Program Chair.

Section members who are candidates for APTA National offices were also introduced:

Joan Bohmert, Vice President of APTA, is running for re-election; and Sue Whitney is running for APTA Board of Directors.

President's Report

Kathy Sullivan

CSM 2005 minutes were presented and approved.

Kathy highlighted the accomplishments of the past year. We have been actively engaged in the strategic planning process, which we present this meeting.

We have had significant assistance in efforts to pay off the Endowment for Doctoral scholarships from several members of the section:

- The Spin Doctors, Susan Herdman, Courtney Hall, Jennifer Brashears Earned \$2000
- University of Colorado Vestibular course, taught by Sue Whitney and coordinated by Jennifer Stevens (?) earned \$2300
- Sue Whitney's "ride of the bull" at the IIISTEP Rodeo outing earned \$532

IIISTEP, held in July 2005, was the major achievement of the year. Twenty-two individuals representing the Neurology and Pediatrics sections started planning for this conference in the fall of 2002. Planning committee members in attendance at the meeting were recognized.

IIISTEP Report

Kathy Gill-Body

Kathy Gill-Body provided an overview of the IIISTEP Summer Institute. We had NIH and generous sponsor support to make the conference a success. 632 participants from 27 countries, representatives from NIH, PTs, neuroscientists, educators, researchers, movement scientists, biotechnologists, and a psychologist. The discussion was dynamic across areas, countries and

disciplines. Six full days of programming including plenary and concurrent sessions sparked interesting discussion and contemplation. There were 33 invited speakers; 12 researcher-clinician teams, posters, Gordon conference, and biotechnology sessions.

A very moving closing ceremony was held in the Olympic stadium, featuring a patient who had undergone BWSTT - he shared his compelling story about the effects of intervention on his life and abilities.

Resources from the conference include:

- 1) The www.iiistep.org – website will be functional at least until the end of this year
- 2) Suggestions from conference attendees to “close the gap” between research and clinical practice will be posted on the website very soon.
- 3) DVD/CD sales of video/powerpoint presentations from the conference have been underway and will continue as demand requires
- 4) Regional conferences – a task force is addressing dissemination issues, including conferences in collaboration with the Peds section.
- 5) Written proceedings as individual articles in Physical Therapy should begin later this year. Once all the articles are published in PT, a compendium of the articles will be published and for sale.

Membership Update

Robbie O’Shea

Robbie encouraged visiting the booth where we feature some exciting Get Connected giveaways: luggage tags and a CD of JNPT articles.

Membership numbers in June of 2004: 2944. As of January 2006 our numbers have grown to 3179. The committee will aim to increase membership by 30% over the next 5 years.

The Find a PT service through APTA - The Membership and PR committee challenges members to register with Find a PT so our numbers increase to 1500 on the Find a PT service by next CSM. Robbie acknowledged the efforts of Didi Matthews on Section giveaways to attract younger members to the Section (CD in particular). The Membership and PR committee will be working to increase connections with other sections and organizations in the future.

Treasurer’s Report: Presentation of the 2006 Budget

Edee Field-Fote

In 2005 \$50K donation was made toward the endowment out of funds in reserve. Currently we have a significant amount of monies in reserve because of the success of IIISTEP and stewardship of the previous administration. The 2006 budget proposed a donation of \$60K to fulfill the endowment. In addition increased support for CSM attendance for SIG officers, SIG Nominating committee chairs, and Section committee chairs at a level of \$500 was proposed. The budget was accepted as proposed.

Awards Presentation

- **Award for Clinical Excellence** Kristin Parlman
- **Award for Service to the Section** Kathy Gill-Body
- **Award for Research** Andrea Behrman

- **Section Student Entry-Level Research Award** Jessica Spears, Kimberly Ryczek
Samantha Schumacher, Amy Stassen
Adaptation of Voluntary Step Initiation in Persons with Parkinson’s Disease
Northwestern University (advisor, Mark Rogers)

- **Section Post-Professional Level Research Award** Shauna Dudley-Javorski

Peripheral Quantitative Computerized Tomography (pQCT): Measurement Sensitivity in Individuals With and Without Spinal Cord Injury
University of Iowa (advisor, Rick Shields)

- **Marylou Barnes/ Patricia Leahy Adopt-A-Doc Award (PODS I)** Minna Hong
- **Golden Synapse Award** Greg Karst
Center of Pressure Measures during Standing Tasks in Minimally Impaired Persons with Multiple Sclerosis by Gregory M Karst PT, PhD, Dawn M Venema PT MPT, Tammy G. Roehrs PT, MA, Amy E. Tyler PhD. The article was published in the December 2006 issue of *Journal of Neurologic Physical Therapy* (Volume 29, Number 4 pp 170-180).
- **Journal of Neurology Physical Therapy Service Award** Judy Deutsch

Journal of Neurologic Physical Therapy Editor Report Judy Deutsch

JNPT has been recognized for indexing in Medline, Judy was notified in the fall that our readiness for electronic listing allowed back indexing for all of the 2005 issues. The journal now has a spine in addition. Judy recognized the members of the JNPT editorial board: Margaret Schenkman, Susan Herdman, Mark Rogers, Kathy Gill-Body, Jim Gordon.

Vice-President's Report: Mike Studer
Special Interest Group Recognition: The current chairs of the SIGs were introduced; their efforts over the past year were recognized. A new SIG, Balance and Falls, has been established in the Neurology Section as a result of a meeting held here at CSM.

Brain Injury:	Michele Peterson
Degenerative Diseases:	Herb Karpatkin
Spinal Cord Injury:	Joy Bruce
Stroke:	Lara Boyd
Vestibular Rehabilitation:	Denise Gobert
Balance & Falls:	Kristine Legters

Secretary's Report: Karen McCulloch
Aside from keeping records of the Section, the Secretary focus since taking office in June has been to assist with the Strategic Planning process and its documentation. In conjunction with our Strategic Planning meeting in Alexandria, Karen also assisted our Historian (Britta Smith) in review and inventory of the Section Archives at APTA. We thank members who generously provided copies of the journal to replace missing issues of Neurology Report.

Committee chairs were recognized for their hard work during the past year and active participation in the Strategic Planning process:

Awards:	Deborah Nichols-Larsen
Telecommunications:	Bob Wellmon
Member and Public Relations:	Robbie O'Shea
Nominating:	Marcia Hall-Thompson
Practice:	Jody Cormack
Research:	Carolynn Patten
Historian:	Britta Smith

Request for Award nominations:

Karen McCulloch

On behalf of the Awards committee, we ask that all members consider co-workers and professional colleagues who are deserving of the Clinical Excellence, Research and Service to the Section awards. Although we recognized superlative candidates for these awards this year, we had to extend the nomination deadline. We would love to see more nominations in all categories next year.

Research Committee Report:

Carolynn Patten

The committee continues with the primary role of reviewing abstracts, accomplished by committee members: Gammon Earhart, John Buford, and Martin Bilodeaux. For CSM this year, there were 133 abstracts to review, of which 84 were accepted, including 16 platforms (remainder poster). Of the 84 presentations, 18 were single-case study, in keeping with Section priorities to allow a forum for sharing all levels of research.

Call for Nominations:

Marcia Hall-Thompson

Nominating committee representatives have been working throughout the year, resulting in a 75% full slate upon arriving at CSM. Current nominees include (subject to change given eligibility and confirmation of consent to serve):

Section:

Vice Chair: Sue Perry, Courtney Hall, Sarah Morrison

Nominating committee: Lee Dibble, Laura Morris, Terry Ellis

Special Interest Groups (nominating committee):

Brain Injury (2 needed): Anne McCarthy-Jacobson, Aimee Perrin, Jill Seale, Whitney Osborne

Degenerative Diseases: Evan Cohen, Melissa Fox, Suzanne Imbriglio

Spinal Cord Injury: Heather Henderson

Stroke: Patricia Kluding, Barb Quaney, Heather Hayes, Bernadette Currier

Vestibular: Rebecca English, Jennifer Braswell, Barbara Baker, Pat Winkler, Danielle Guzman, Julie Grove

Additional SIG offices open: SCI Vice Chair, currently no nominees

With the establishment of the ***Balance and Falls SIG***, all offices will be elected:

Chair: Sharan Zirges, Lisa Selby-Silverstein, Kathy Brown

Vice-chair: Kristine Legters

Secretary: Linda Csiza, Myles Quibben

Nominating committee (2 needed): Cecelia Griffin

Recognition of outgoing Officers and Committee Members:

Kathy Sullivan

Recognition of outgoing officers has typically been at the CSM following terms ending in June.

This year we are recognizing those who ended terms in June of 2005, but also recognize those who will leave office in June of 2006. Outgoing SIG officers were recognized in each of the SIG meetings.

Section Officers

President – Lisa Riolo

Secretary – Britta Smith

Vice-President – Mike Studer

Committee Chairs

Nominating Committee – Genevieve Zipp
Telecommunications – Jim Cavanaugh
Liaison to Specialty Council – Linda de Saca
Historian – Sue Whitney
Awards – Deborah Larsen
Nominating Committee - Marcia Hall-Thompson
Research Committee - Carolynn Patten

Neurologic Specialty Council Update:

Kim Curbow-Wilcox

Cathy Harro and Diane Wrisley, Specialty Council members were recognized. This year there were 45 newly certified NCS and 22 recertified. Those newly certified were presented with a Section pin during the NCS breakfast. Those not in attendance at the NCS breakfast were encouraged to come forward at the end of the meeting for their pin.

Program Chair's Report:

Dorian Rose

Dorian reviewed the programming that remains for CSM, including featured talks by Laura Morris, last year's Clinical Excellence award winner and Dr. Michelle Basso, last year's Section Research award winner. Dorian also recognized the vice-chairs of each SIG for their programming efforts at CSM during SIG business meetings and roundtables. Dorian recognized Carolynn Patten for her efforts in coordinating the thematic poster sessions and research platforms.

Programming has been successful this year with a fall regional course – update on stroke – in Chicago, with attendance of 30; and two pre-conference CSM courses: Fitness for Individuals with Neurologic Disability (65); and Neuro-curriculum Across the Lifespan (145). A regional course on IIISTEP is planned for October 2006.

Dorian recognized her committee members: Nancy Fell, who coordinated the regional course in Chicago; Leslie Allison, Matt Ford, Shari McDowell, Arlene McCarthy, and Diane Nicholson. A reminder, the deadline for CSM 2007 proposals is May 5, 2006.

New Business

Kathy Sullivan

Discussion of 2006 - 2010 Vision, Mission & Strategic Plan

The strategic plan was sent to members January 10 for review. Copy of goals and objectives is attached. The strategic plan was adopted without discussion.

Medicare Cap

Dave Mason

As a representative of APTA Government Affairs, Dave provided information about the Medicare Cap. The cap is now in effect following legislation passed this week. There may be exceptions to the cap for beneficiaries who have medically necessary services. APTA will advocate for therapists to certify the need for these exceptions, but whether this will occur is unclear. CMS will be creating the process and guidelines for exceptions to the Medicare Cap. APTA will keep members informed of changes and how these will influence patients via email and website posts.

PT-PAC

Ira Gorman

Ira is a member of the PT-PAC Board of Trustees and encouraged all members to participate in the PAC by offering donations at whatever level they can afford. The PAC works to influence policy issues, like the Medicare cap. For the next year, the PAC aims to involve 10,000 members through donation.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen McCulloch, Secretary