

# Oregon Association for Music Therapy Business Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2022 2pm, Zoom

The business meeting of the Oregon Association for Music Therapy was called to order at 2:06pm on February 5, 2022. **Quorum was established.** 

# Approval of Agenda

Kat Frye-Davies moves to approve the agenda as presented. Second: Mary King. Motion carries .

## Approval of Minutes

Shelly Zeiser moves to approve the meeting minutes from Feb 6, 2021 and August 14, 2021. Second: Chris Korb. Motion passes.

# Officer Reports

#### President

Since our August business meeting, I continued to build our first OAMT Workforce Survey report which we were able to send out to members this year. I've been a part of the Communications Task force that met several times over the last two quarters to compile social media posts about the survey, advocacy efforts, and events. I worked closely with our Vice President to plan our 2022 conference, which we originally were going to hold in person. Although we needed to move it online due to a COVID surge, we're hopeful that future events will be back in-person. I've sent out advocacy emails on behalf of OAMT including over 30 Psychology Today practitioners who have incorrectly identified themselves as providing music therapy. I've gotten a generally good response with about 75% of people agreeing to adjust their profile to be in line with Oregon music therapy licensure laws. I've also been in

touch with community members who have expressed interest in learning more about music therapy.

#### President-Elect

Continuing to address a concern with the Salem Hospital hiring.

#### Vice President

During the last six months I have worked on the communications task force and spent a lot of time meeting one on one with board members in order to prepare for conference. I also helped coordinate and put on the summer CMTE event, including communicating with Vienna Sa and helping organize the various in-person meetings. I created a few templates for possible future use by the board and created conference flyers and social media posts.

In order to prepare for conference, I helped identify possible venues, speakers, schedules, food, etc. I worked with the board to identify the theme and eventually worked with Brea to move the conference to a virtual platform. I proposed a few different possible schedules for the board to choose from and had various communications with Tim and Ted.

# Secretary

Attended board meetings and kept records of the minutes. Sent out The Blast on a monthly basis. Maintained membership list and worked with Treasurer to organize lists of membership information. Worked on lists for tracking licensure and CBMT certification. Attendended Communications Task Force meetings.

#### Treasurer

In the last six months, I did the following:

- Continued tracking the monthly expenses
- Worked on Google Workspace changes, added 4 new email accounts
- Assisted secretary with tracking membership, licensure, CBMT certification, and conference attendance
- Worked with the board to establish the 2022 OAMT Budget
- Resolved the 2021 OAMT Budget
- Helped set up financial system for 2022 conference and membership

While I won't be at the meeting, I will work with the new treasurer to make sure all items that are the responsibility of the treasurer are communicated. Handbook was made up to date last year.

## [Attachments provided in email]

## **Public Relations**

No new updates

#### Media Coordinator

Website updates (Events, Find a Therapist, Membership page, reinstated the Twitter icon, Minutes Archive, Events Archive, and Newsletter Archive), social media posts (2022 Conference, workforce survey, 2022 membership, Board elections/nominations, AMTA, WRAMTA, CBMT), started a Canva account for social media graphics, and attended Communications Task Force meetings.

## Government Relations Representative

It has been recommended that they utilize any avenue possible because the point of contact they had been using has been too busy with COVID work. Melissa Potts has been making new connections.

#### Student Representative

Last fall, I completed my senior capstone, "Oregon Advocacy, A Historical Guide to Recognition, Licensure and Reimbursement", combining my academic work with the Government Relations Task Force goals. I worked as the research assistant with Brea Murakami, collecting music therapy data for a pilot study through Legacy Good Samaritan and Rio Rehabilitation. I created the OAMT Student Representative handbook for future student representatives.

## **Old Business**

- Welcome Wagon Updates
  - Licensure reminders
    - Reached out to music therapists around the state to remind them about their licensure and/or provide resources and welcome them to the state.
  - Responses to misrepresentation
    - Most of the people who have been contacted on Psychology have responded positively and unchecked the box identifying themselves as providing music therapy when they were not certified or licensed.

#### **New Business**

- OAMT Professional Grant (\$500)
  - Current deadline to apply is March 4th
- Music Therapy Licensure acronym
  - Discussion: members indicated that informing more people that music therapy is a licensed profession. Most members who added to discussion did not have a

preference between LPMT or MT-BC/L, but they do feel it would be important to choose one.

- 2022 OAMT Workforce Survey
- 2022 OAMT Elections President: Chris Korb

President-Elect: Joshua Pearl Vice-President: Kate Caruso

Secretary: Airel Farley Treasurer: Brea Murakami Public Relations: Cody Mills

Media Coordinator: Natalia Uribe Student Representative: Lily Fugita

# **Good and Welfare**

Emily Ross is hosting a workshop on trauma informed care for music therapists on April 2nd.

Shelly Zeiser has moved to Oregon and started her position as clinical coordinator at Pacific University.

Motion to adjourn the meeting. Second: Chris Korb. Meeting adjourned at 3:06pm.