



Home Health Section Business Meeting February 5, 2014 Meeting Minutes

1. **Welcome and Introductions** – Section officers and committee chairs were introduced.
2. **CSM Update** – Tonya discussed three simultaneous sessions were presented this year. Over 11000 attendees at CSM. 2015 CSM is at Indianapolis. Tonya announced new Program Chair, Dee Kornetti.
3. **APTA PAC Opportunity - (Eva Norman)** - 844K donated last year for PT-PAC. 7.4% of the APTA members donated to PT-PAC last year. Survey was distributed last year to seek membership knowledge of PT-PAC.
4. **APTA Nominating Committee** - Jerry Smith - Encouraged attendees to support nominating their peers as section leaders. President, VP, for APTA up for election in 2015. Take nominations for these positions after the House of Delegates and can go to APTA website under nominating committee for more information.
5. **Research Update** – Matt Janes stated we had 6 platform presentations at CSM this year. HHS grant recipient Conrad Diaz –study “Effects of exercise training and frontloading visits for patient with heart failure.” Near future looking for alternatives to communication, but for now have the list-serve in place for weekly Research Post.
6. **Program Chair** – Dee Kornetti was announced and introduced as new Program Chair. Dee discussed enhancing CSM to provide meet and greet social night before CSM conference starts with vendor sponsorship and also looking into webinar ability for those HHS/APTA members unable to attend CSM.
7. **Membership Update** – Theresa discussed current membership numbers, including retention rates being lower than most other sections and membership committee strategies to increase membership retention to include our 3 step email communication on behalf of the membership committee and our recent HHS membership engagement initiative at CSM with “like us” on facebook drawing for an iPad mini.
8. **Education Committee** – Nikki introduced education committee members. In the beginning stages of forming a speaker’s bureau to aid in being the “quality education” for the Home Health industry. The committee or task force will format presentations for train the trainer process. Also have a specialty track – advanced skill in home health can submit a presentation to HHS speaker’s bureau with the committee and executive team providing final approval. Need volunteers for a task force for developing ideas, led by a couple of committee members.
9. **Publications Update** – Dee introduced the publications committee members. Seeking a new editor for the HHS quarterly newsletter. Currently have two interested candidates.
10. **Practice Update** – Ken Miller introduced the committee members. HHS website now has the HH PT Toolbox. Third edition of the PT Practice Guidelines is in draft form and valuable resource for our HH therapists and the HH industry. Projected to be finalized within the year.
11. **Nominating Committee Update** – Joe Daly discussed the importance of soliciting new and upcoming members for leadership positions within the HHS.



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12. Financial Update – Chris Chimenti reviewed the 2013 budget. Over budget by 19.1K. 2013 Income was 14K related to royalties from webinars, APTA career center, CSM. Expenses for 2013 were discussed as well. APTA investments held for reserve policy (40-55% of revenue budget). We have 146K, well above the APTA reserve policy. Income needs in 2014 will be education with ICD-10 and OASIS C1.

13. Governance Review Update –

- a. **Strategic Plan** – Cindy discussed the need to be structured and sustainable for new interested members who are interested in pursuing section leadership roles. Job descriptions within the section leadership and committees are being revised and uniformly formatted.
- b. **“What is in a Name”** – Geriatric Section changed their name to the Academy of Geriatrics. Cindy asked the audience what their opinion is on the current name: The Home Health Section. Audience members brought varied opinions to the table:
 - Why change it? If it’s not broken don’t fix it.
 - Changing the name may represent us better as home health leaders
 - Need to look at if we do change the name with “Academy” or “Society” we need to make sure we fit the definition
 - Home Health Organization of Excellence
 - Collaboration of Excellence, Home Health Clinicians?
 - Home Health Academy?
 - Should it be the American Physical Therapy Academy? And we follow under this?

Cindy asked for continued feedback and discussion on this topic in the future.

14. Meeting Adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa Gates, HHS Secretary