

PATA Transition Board Meeting 1/20/08
Sunday, 1/20/08, 1:30-4:00

Board Members Present: Amy Tatsumi, Megan Robb, Lisa Garlock, Phillip Pradier, Diana Sabados, Kimberley Hanrahan-Havern, Dorothy Dvorachek, Heidi Bardot, Gioia Chilton, Kim Ottinger

PATA Members Present: Kim Ottinger, Roz Vanderpool, Rebecca Wilkinson, Lisa Syed, Marie Kops, Rachel Screibiman, , Jejung So, Erin Breslow, Lina Assad, Julie Wood Merchant, Jessica Lee, Crista Linn Kostenko, Geoffrey Edwards

Board Members Absent: Sheryl Jaffe, Jennifer Keimig McNulty, Jennifer Padden

1. **Introductions:** Incoming Board President Amy Tatsumi thanked past board members, recognized the history of PATA, and shared her hope for the vibrancy of the new board. Previous Board members were introduced.
2. **Goals/Focus:** Incoming Board Members shared the following goals for the new board:
 - **Amy Tatsumi** - hold regular meetings, increased membership, and increased programs.
 - **Philip Pradier, Treasurer and Website Chair** – increase communications, collect membership fees for treasure. Philip also offered to take on the vacant website chair, and Amy Tatsumi offered that her husband could assist as a technology consultant.
 - **Lisa Garlock, Membership Chair** – increase use of technology by moving membership list from floppy to removable drive, increase access for membership, grow and nurture membership.
 - **Diana Sabados, Chapter Delegate and Public Relations Chair** – communicate with AATA, make PATA's name more known and in the public eye known by creating a new brochure and PATA business cards.
 - **Kimberly Hanrahan-Havern-...** - Ethics Chair.
 - **Kim, Student Chair** – keep students in touch and involved.
 - **Dorothy Dvorachek, Secretary** – support communications, regular meetings and programs, particularly by posting minutes to the website again.
 - **Heidi Bardot, Scholarship Chair** – increase nominations and award the awards.
 - **Gioia Chilton, Newsletter** – started the blog, will use increased technology for communications.
 - **Megan Robb, Governmental Affairs Chair** – hold two events:
 - Creative Arts Therapy Week – Week of March 11 with a hill day on March 13 in coordination with the National Coalition of Arts Therapies Association. AATA and other Arts Therapies presidents will be speaking and training manuals have already been developed for the event.
 - Event with more information about getting your LPC in MD, VA, and DC

3. Updates/Topics from the AATA Delegate Meeting by the Chapter Affiliate

- New executive director has been appointed by Paula Howie
- Increasing relationship with American Counseling Association
- Discussion of accounting system, dispersing dues
- Clinical Efficacy Study continuing with Dr. David Speigal
- 1,000 new Board Certified ATR's from this recent initiative
- Increasing membership with updated PR materials
- Developing relationship with the Society for Arts and Healthcare with economic potential
- Developing a critical mass of states working toward licensure (including Maryland) and 4 states working on title protection
- MD had a former art therapist as a delegate, Shane Pendergrass
<http://www.shanependergrass.com/>
- AATA Strategic Planning goals:
 - 1) To be an effective and efficient organization
 - 2) Increase employment opportunities for membership
 - 3) Develop and promote knowledge of Art Therapy
 - 4) Service to community with a Database of Research
 - 5) Member benefits
 - 6) Promoting best practices
 - 7) One high profile community service event for each state

4. Next Meeting: Wednesday, February, 13, 7:30 pm at GW Art Therapy Building, 2129 G St., NW, Bldg. L, Washington, DC, 20052.

- Amy will also develop a proposal for upcoming meetings to be discussed at this meeting in order to develop a meeting calendar for the entire year.

5. Additional points:

- A discussion was raised about what the non-profit requirements are in this area, especially related to communication of meetings with membership. Also, is it time to review the by-laws? What are the AATA affiliate requirements?
- Goia knows a lawyer who might be lead an event discussing non-profit requirements or other discussions.

6. Magic of Miniatures Workshop – was then led by Gioia Chilton.