

PATA Board Meeting
Sunday, October 3, 2004 12:00pm-2:00pm

Board Members Present: Jennifer Keimig McNulty, Diana Steinbock, Kimberly Hanrahan-Havern, Donna Kaiser, Huyen MacMichael, Phillip Pradier, Jordan Potash, Merry Urbia

PATA Members Present:

Board Members Absent: Lee Abbott, Jordan Potash, Catherine Preziosi, Gioia Chilton, Donna Kaiser, Dorothy Dvorachek Amy Babish, Stacy Robbins Ferguson, Katie Bacon

1. Board Position Changes

Donna Kaiser will be working with **Diana Steinbock** to train for editing newsletter as **new Publications Chair**. Thanks to both for stepping in.

Huyen MacMichael is our **new Webmaster** and already working on website. **Jennifer** will contact **Catherine** to determine if she would like to continue moderating the e-group, or if she wishes to step down from the board.

Public Information Chair position is still open and will be advertised in newsletter.

2. Communications Updates

Huyen will be working on uploading new information to our website in the coming months. **Merry** will be redoing list of the officers and committee chairs. **Phillip** is researching on-line access to voicemail, looking for ways to better store information and perhaps post links for people to access history of organization.

All are reminded to please check voicemail regularly if assigned.

3. Website/Publications

It was agreed to have President's letter for general reading on website and member's only access for minutes, supervision/referrals, and other reading. An archive of past newsletters, and E-groups links are possibilities, along with newsletter exchanges with other chapters through e-mail. Ideas for newsletter were discussed, including researching CEU requirements, during survey of local art therapists, and doing profiles of professionals.

Phillip will be looking into possibility of new membership directory.

4. Chapter Delegates

Diana and Jordan will be representing PATA at the National conference in November. Please let them know of concerns to bring to the Affiliates meeting there.

Jordan is also chairing AATA's Multicultural committee. He is currently working on updating AATA history to include professionals of color, noting there are many people in this area who aren't well recognized. The Board expressed interest in doing a program to promote education/recognition of same.

5. Other Business

Diana noted we have some money to spend before the end of the year, possibly on Dec. program. **We also have videotapes from AATA** on various art therapists that can be used for programs or other ideas.

Agreement was given to allowing the MD Play Therapy Assoc. to buy our mailing list and interest expressed in looking at raising charges for such services in future.

Jennifer reported that presentation to GWU students was well received. She will be arranging time for possible open board meeting with workshop for Dec.

Committee News

Kim is waiting for clarification on what the actual job position will be at AATA that pertains to working in government affairs and how that will relate to PATA. **She will be looking at how NY and other areas are handling licensure.**

Donna will be putting out a call for art therapists interested in research and discussed ideas for how PATA could support research in the field.

Jordan suggested it might be helpful if PATA could pick **1-2 areas to focus on as primary concerns for developing goals and serving membership.** There appears also to be interest in working with other local chapters on regional concerns, perhaps programs or conferences.

After much lively discussion of challenges and options for the field of art therapy and our part in it, the meeting closed at 2:30 pm.

Next Meeting to be Sunday Nov. 7, 12pm to 2 pm at Riverside Hospital

