

Board Meeting Minutes: ALOTA Fall Conference 9/23/16
Orange Beach, AL

Members present: Allen Keener, Jessica Vandergrift, RJ Higginbotham, Deek Cunningham, Tracy O'Connor, Jay Murrill, Jason Vice, Valley McCurry, Chris Eidson, Robin Deacy, Lindsey Dana, Alyssa Reiter, Andrea Hunter, Lindsay Reynolds, Rachel Gahan, Symone Hinton, Angela Thomas-Davis, Megan Sortino, Dewayne Hamilton, Candra Taylor, Mia Tigue

President- proposed budget for 2015-2016 sent out this morning, along with projected budget for 2016-2017; will be voted upon once everybody has looked over

President Elect- Plans to attend AOTA and participating in ASAP as President-elect; government affairs housekeeping: Rachel Ashcraft interested in taking over government affairs as well as holding PAC chair position; stay tuned for more information

Vice President- working on special event (tentatively March 4th) for Spring Conference; Amy Lamb is coming to speak for 100th anniversary celebration

Secretary- incoming secretary; will begin secretarial duties at this board meeting

Treasurer- \$52,300 in bank account, \$500 in paypal, \$32,000 in CDs

Government affairs- legislature wrapped up special session in May, regular session pretty tame; massage therapy bill did not go haywire; our practice act continues to be unchallenged

Tracy- had a lot of scholarship applicants; we need to keep nominating peers and encourage others to apply for ALOTA awards; would like to add professionalism section to scholarship application that would be completed by chair or faculty advisor re: demonstrating professional behaviors; everybody in favor of addition to application

North district- had meeting and community get together that went very well. Plans to adapt toys for Christmas as service project

North Central- has new co-chair Tammy Gibson

Central- actively seeking co-chair; has been in contact with Above Bar in downtown Birmingham and plans to host meet and greet there once venue opens; actively looking for CEU speakers; event scheduled for some time in January at Dave's house for CEU opportunity

East Central- not present

South- had 2 CEU opportunities in Spring; looking to do half day CEU opportunity at South Alabama

RA- will be presenting on RA updates during Sunday's presentation

Special Projects- MailChimp subscription for quarterly newsletters costs \$30/month and needs to be voted upon with budget; encourages everybody from the board as well as members to send information to Alyssa or Megan (mrsortino@uabmc.edu and alyssareiter@gmail.com) for material for quarterly newsletter; Megan and Alyssa to present tomorrow on new ALOTA leadership program

Membership- sent postcard out for new monthly membership option; Deek will be ending his term as membership co-chair in January. Membership will now be Robin Deacy and Lindsey Dana, co-chairs; over 200 people have registered for this conference so far.

Student reps-

ASU: SOTA working on fundraising and looking to sponsor 30 students to attend AOTA

UAB: assisting in planning centennial celebration and currently planning 5k as fundraising event

USA: 2nd year students have all had IRB approval and will soon beginning research projects; Oct 1st Alumni fundraising event