



**ILLINOIS OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING AGENDA/MINUTES
April 15, 2023 * 9:00 am * Location: Zoom Call**

Members Present	Members Present for a Portion of Meeting	Members Absent
Beverly Menninger – President Moirá Bushell – Director of Finance Anne Kiraly-Alvarez – Director of Membership Robin Jones –Secretary Dalmina Arias - Director of Finance-Elect Brenda Koverman- Director of Advocacy George Buckley – Executive Director	Michelle Hanawalt – Director of Communications	

Topic	Notes	Action Items & Person Responsible
Call to order	Beverly called the meeting to order at 9:02am	n/a
Roll call	See members present above	n/a
Approval of minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MOTION: to ratify the email approval of March 18, 2023 ILOTA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes. Bev moved and Moira Seconded. Motion carried. (MOTION 2023-04-01) 	n/a
Presidents Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elections – Director of Advocacy and President-Elect positions are up this year. Last year deadline was end of June. Goal is to get the call for candidates out by mid-May this year. 	
Advocacy Report	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Medicaid reimbursement: HB 3085 submitted SLP lobbyist submitting amendment language from last meeting that was attending by OT and SLP. Amendment includes \$65 flat rate. Committee gathering patient stories to support language. CURRENT STATUS: Waiting on meeting with DFHS 4/17 meeting scheduled with triad coalition and will continue to encourage participation by all coalition members. Practice act: SB 2057 amends the Illinois occupational therapy practice act. Adds language for direct access only and now with House. 	

	<p>Current STATUS: Per Maureen, no need to do anything with connecting with legislators</p> <p>3. Compact act Maureen is recommending that we discuss with the Bob Morgan meeting that Nancy has set up. CURRENT STATUS: I will remind Emma will propose a timeline for our next steps (perhaps starting in 6 months or so)</p> <p>4. Maximum caseloads (SB 1401): Amends the School Code. Adds certain data that must be included in school report cards prepared by the State Superintendent of Education. In provisions concerning school social workers, school nurses, school counselors, school psychologists, and speech-language pathologists, sets limits on caseloads. Makes related changes. Effective immediately. Moira is suggesting that OT is named as one of the providers that is tracked in the school report card. Michelle Mays, SIS, also sent. CURRENT STATUS: Maureen states that bill is “dead”</p> <p>5. Hippotherapy Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Provides that a group or individual policy of accident and health insurance or managed care plan that is amended, delivered, issued, or renewed after the effective date of the amendatory Act shall provide coverage for hippotherapy and other forms of therapeutic riding. Makes conforming changes in the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971, the Counties Code, the Illinois Municipal Code, the School Code, and the Health Maintenance Organization CURRENT STATUS: I asked Maureen how this impacts OT</p> <p>6. Home modification bill CURRENT STATUS: Seeking clarification on where we are with this</p> <p>7. EI: HB 1249: increasing rate from 5% to 14.2% CURRENT STATUS: Seeking clarification on where we are with this</p> <p>8. Right to repair: no movement (awaiting response from Joy sent in February) CURRENT STATUS: Asking Maureen if we need to do anything</p> <p>9. ILOTPAC: looking at options for our districting map CURRENT STATUS: completed by Claudia</p> <p>10. Discussion re: Lobbyist – Board is evaluating legislative/advocacy activities to make sure that our structure, etc. aligns with future goals.</p>	
Communication Committee Report	<p>This month we have been- Promoting CO OP, OT month, AOTA. Emailing with Awards coordinator. Attending an Advocacy meeting April 5th. I transitioned to newsletter coordinator, and the newsletter went out. Please continue to LMK if you hear anyone interested in the blog or newsletter positions.</p>	
Finance Report	<p>February Financial Report (See documents attached “Budget vs. Actuals” and “Profit and Loss”)</p> <p>Bank Account Balances as of 4/11/23</p>	

<p>Moira</p>	<p>Checking: 49,496.05 Debit 4,763.83 CD 5,043.54 Savings 75,371.84 Total: \$129,631.72</p> <p>-Conference Update – Call for papers is out currently. Ideas for keynote being generated. Revamped the paper scoring rubric. Holding event to encourage practitioners to submit papers in early May. Discussion of cost of conference and sponsorship will be held at future meeting. Brenda raised the issue of having a discounted price for speakers to encourage more practitioners to present/attend. Last year there was a \$20.00 discount for speakers.</p> <p>-CE Pricing Policy – discussion of the chart that was distributed by Bev via email prior to the meeting. Discussion of future member/non-member pricing. Discussion of pricing for students.</p> <p>MOTION made by Moira: New Rate: Member \$25/ CE unless there are additional costs. Non-member fee will be doubled unless the course is more than 4 hours then it would be \$125.00 over member fee. \$5/ CE fee for student members and \$10/ CE non-members. The student fee only applies to courses that are up to 2 hrs. and don't have additional costs associated with them. These rates may be modified by the Board on a case-by-case basis. Seconded by Anne. Motion carried. (MOTION 2023-04-02)</p>										
<p>Dalmina</p>	<p>-Student Conclave debrief – Overall very successful. Good feedback from attendees. The attendance was not as high as previous years. Keynote, resume session and headshot photos were well received.</p> <p>-Implicit Bias training updates- video to be recorded by the end of June.</p>										
<p>Membership Update</p>	<p>Current membership report:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="541 1133 1045 1399"> <thead> <tr> <th>Category</th> <th>April 11, 2023</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Admin</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OT</td> <td>463</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OT Monthly</td> <td>56</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OT New Practitioner</td> <td>94</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Category	April 11, 2023	Admin	3	OT	463	OT Monthly	56	OT New Practitioner	94
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OTA	58
OTA monthly	16
OTA New Practitioner	33
Student	424
Retiree	12
Multistate	13
Honorary Lifetime	7
TOTAL	1179
Difference (from 3/14/23)	27

- Member benefits updates
- OT Month

Secretary updates

Robin will miss the May 20th meeting (Full Board Meeting) due to personal reasons and George agreed to take minutes.

Other?

Discussion of whether ILOTA could supporting OT colleagues that are engaged in strikes at Illinois colleges/universities.

Discussion of advertising CE program to be conducted by UIC Assistive Technology Unit. Agreed that ILOTA would promote this program if they agree to pay the \$95.00 fee that ILOTA has for advertising.

Request to promote EI Lobby Day in Springfield next week on social media. Members of the ILOTA Special Interest Group will be attending.

Adjournment

MOTION made by Bev to adjourn meeting at 10:30am Seconded by Anne. Motion Carried
(MOTION 2023-04-03)