

East Texas District
Board Meeting
July 22, 2022

The ETD board met at Twelve in Tyler, Texas to plan for the October event.

The minutes of the meeting on April 21 were approved.

Treasury: There has been no activity, so the balance remains the same. Laurie Hurst, our delegate to the APTA HOD will submit receipts when she attends HOD in August.

TPTA BOD meeting was July 11, 2022. Districts are in the process of adopting Robert's Rules of Order which should simplify district elections and allow for a training program for new district chairs to be offered.

"Communities" on the TPTA website is not working well, but will remain for awhile.

TPTA is offering a "District of the Year" award at Annual Conference, so we will submit our event before Annual Conference.

There was a lengthy discussion about increasing district participation.

Annual conference:

50% of vendor spaces are open; more vendors are encouraged.

Texas Assembly will be on Saturday, October 29 in the morning. Our district

Needs 3-9 delegates; Texas Assembly needs 93 for a quorum.

TPTA elections open in August.

Tom Waugh leadership is open.

The PTA SIG chair is needed, as Nicole is finishing her term.

Legislative day: February 28, 2023

Issues for the legislature: There will be several new house members and some new senators

HR 8181: Include the fourth trimester care, post-partum.

We will seek to expand direct access to full, and hope to get 30 days and remove the one year limitation for new licensees. The orthopedists seem to be more favorable.

Worker's comp does not accept direct access and has a host of its own problems.

Fair pay co-pay is being pushed: Physical therapy is not a specialty; it should be under primary care.

PTA supervision in private practice and PTA differential payment are being addressed.

The survey that Shaunda sent had a very poor response rate, so was not useful in determining the interests of the members. 5 PTs and 3 PTAs responded. Top items of interest were aquatics, pelvic health, BIG AND LOUD, dry needling, use of PTA.

It was decided to have a social event for the district on October 1 or 8 at a venue to be determined with members also asked to drop off gently used equipment to be donated to the needy. The event could be coordinated with Kilgore and TJC, with the students

leading the publicity and details. Maybe the survey could be re-opened at the event via a laptop station. Carla will act as chair for the event.

Carla Holmen reported that she has submitted Dr. Patel's information for the CCUs for the September meeting more than once, and is having difficulty communicating with TPTA staff.

The next board meeting will be at the September meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Ann Huffstetter, PTA

District Secretary