

ALOTABoard Meeting
Virtual Meeting
October 17, 2022

1. Call to Order: 7:31pm
2. Establishment of quorum, introduction of guests:
Alyssa Ritenour, Angela Davis, Laura Smith, Anne Herston, Casey Brock, Rachel Gahan, Carl Robinson, Peyton Brown, Rachel Ashcraft, Beth Chittam, Scott Megginson, Laura Dunham, Mia Tiguue, Sue Sommerville, Dewayne Hamilton, Jessica Varnadarn, Ashton Mayo, Megan Sortino, Diana La, Brook Monceret, Sydney, Andrea Reed
3. Review and approval of minutes from previous meeting
 - a. Approved
4. Old Business/New Business:
 - a. Fall Conference Update 2023, 2024, 2025
 - i. Dates for Fall Conference in 2023: October 5-8, 2023
 - ii. Will need to push a membership vote to establish dates for 2024 and 2025. September is no longer available as it is the busiest month for the Lodge and they want to increase attrition and we aren't willing to risk financially.
 - iii. Available dates in 2024 (pricing will remain consistent) August 22-25; September 5-8; February 29-March 4
 - iv. Available dates in 2025: August 21-24; September 4-7; March 6-9
 1. Will send out a vote for membership this week.
 - v. Comments
 1. Maybe could catch the Wallace State students at the end of their program and still get student rate.
 2. September dates could impact start of football
 3. People may not want to go to the beach in february
 4. OTS might be too early in their schooling and not have a lot time to make arrangements
 5. September is tough for students as it close to midterms
 - b. Communities of Practice (CoP)
 - i. Committee: Jessica, Laura, Andrea, and Megan
 - ii. CoP: a process of social learning that occurs when people who have a common interest in a subject or area collaborate over an extended period of time, sharing ideas and strategies, determining solutions and building innovations.
 - iii. Increase membership value and social network of like minded OTPs across the state
 - iv. Areas of Focus: Children and Youth, Home and Community of Health, Rehab and Disability, Leadership
 - c. Spring Event Discussion

- i. OT/PT Collaboration for join CE event.
 - 1. AOTA APP is not a barrier but their is an additional application
 - 2. Target date for Spring 2024
 - 3. Still looking at having in Guntersville, AL
 - 4. Will update as more happens
 - ii. Possible CoP Symposium
 - 1. Kick off CoP
 - 2. Conference like event in a track format based on your practice areas
 - iii. Vote on pursue CoP Symposium as a spring event
 - 1. Agree: 18
 - 2. Disagree: 0
 - d. Virtual Meetings Day/Time
 - i. Trying to figure out what day of the week (weekday vs weekend) and time.
 - ii. Will send out for a vote via email
- 5. Officer/Committee Reports:
 - a. Treasurer
 - i. Financial Report
 - ii. Fall Conference financial update
 - 1. Please email treasurer@alota.org for all questions regarding financial reports
 - b. Membership
 - i. Journal Club
 - 1. Current topic Mental Health: Youth Suicide and OT
 - 2. Please share on social media and with you colleagues
 - c. Recognitions
 - i. OTAS scholarship to be given at spring event
 - ii. Will establish open/close date at a later time as we determine more details for the Spring Event.
 - d. DEI
 - i. Speaking November 4 at Tuskegee University
 - ii. Working on website accessibility
 - e. Program
 - i. CoP
 - f. District Chairs
 - i. North
 - 1. Planning for a meet up soon.
 - ii. NorthCentral
 - 1. No representative
 - iii. Central
 - 1. Planning a breakout room event
 - iv. EastCentral
 - 1. No update

- v. South
 - 1. No Update
 - vi. Wiregrass
 - 1. No Update
 - g. Student Reps
 - i. Welcome Ann!
6. Adjourn: 8:26pm