



# PTAE SIG

## ELC 2021 (Atlanta)

### Business Meeting Minutes

Date: 10/23/2021	Time: 8:15 am EST	Location: ELC
<p>Members present: Jennifer Jewell, Lisa Stejskal, Kim Novack, Beverly Labosky, Pamela Pologruto, Pamela Lavange (President of the Academy of Ed.), Mary Romenallo (CAPTE)</p> <p>Absent: Karen Browning, Justin Berry</p> <p>Attendance: QR code utilized for acquiring in-person attendance. 52 individuals completed the survey. A few non-members present.</p>		
<b>Topic: PT-PAC</b>		
<p>David Qualls discussed the current work: Senate Bill to address \$50,000 loan forgiveness for PT working in underserved areas. Allied Health Care Act to support minorities including race and ethnicity. Permanent Telehealth for PT/PTA, PTA payment differential, In underserved populations changing supervision levels from Direct Supervision to General Supervision. PAC funds provide the ability to bring issues to members of congress and advocate for change. Encouraged member donations.</p>		
<b>Topic: Nomination Committee Report</b>		
<p>Available open positions Vice-Chair, Recording Secretary, Nominating Committee. Deadline for nominations is Dec 1, 2021. Terms will begin July 2022. A review of leadership responsibilities was presented to all members. Encouraged members to volunteer. If interested contact Karen Browning <a href="mailto:kbrowning2@cnm.edu">kbrowning2@cnm.edu</a>. A consent form to serve can be completed at <a href="mailto:apte@aptaeducatio.org">apte@aptaeducatio.org</a></p>		
<b>Topic: CAPTE</b>		
<p><b>Discussion:</b> There has been a change in leadership due to several retirements.. Mary Romanello is the new .....Doreen and Sharon</p> <p>Next virtual town hall will be held Oct 29th- Nov 2nd. New onsite training will begin in 2022. On-site reviewer Jan 19th will be virtual and New Onsite trainers will be Jan 21-22, 2022 hybrid. If interested, contact a staff member or Sharon with your interest. Self study workshop will be held virtually Feb. 15-16-17, 2022.</p>		
<b>Topic: FSBPT</b>		
<p><b>Discussion:</b> Report submitted by Nancy Kirsch and Rich Wolfe (not present)</p> <p>Test window will continue to have additional dates and flexibility with scheduling. Continue to check the website for dates. Ensuring the security of the examinations continues during the pandemic. The NPTE has changed the exam design to Pro driver, the new design demo will be available late 2022. In November, the practice analysis report will be available. Recruiting for volunteers to serve on the 2022 Task force has begun. If interested, go to <a href="mailto:volunteer@fsbpt.org">volunteer@fsbpt.org</a>. Will publish program 2- year pass rates by school. More</p>		

information will be sent in the Faculty newsletter. Alternate approval pathways continue with several states on board. Students can take the test the next day if they meet the criteria.

**Topic: APTA Academy of Education President Update: Pamela Lavangie**

**Discussion:** Academy developing the next strategic plan through 2022-2024. Needs assessment will be coming out soon. Overview of PTA Summit: Three phases: Phase 1: Quantitative data collection via a survey. Phase 2: LMS with four modules. Three of which will provide information on the Historical perspectives, PTA education and the Role of the PTA. Module four is a qualitative module where CE SIG members' views regarding PTA education. If you complete all four modules of Phase 2, you can get a certificate of completion and information about applying for CEUs within your Chapter. Phase 2: Modules open from Nov 1 to Dec 15, 2021. Phase 3 will provide an opportunity for members to participate. 35 individuals will be chosen by application. Goal of Phase 3 is to create a prioritized agenda on things that need to be done to support PTA educators and PTAs who support physical therapist practice. Applications to Phase 3 due by December 6, 2021. Additional information can be found on the Academy website. Nominations remain open for Academy Awards please consider nominations for all open positions.

**Topic: PTAE SIG Teaching and Networking Communities**

**Discussion:** The PTAE SIG leadership has created communities for members to collaborate and network. Three groups are currently running in the fall semester. Clinical Education, Teaching Methodology, Program Administration. Launched in the Spring 2021 with 62 participants. Fall 2021 with 53 participants. We are looking for member feedback on future groups or topics to meet the needs of educators. A survey was sent to the first group of participants to obtain their feedback on their experience.

**Topic: Webinar Series**

**Discussion:** Reported during the Pandemic the leadership team initiated a webinar series via Zoom to support needs of the educational community during their transition to online learning. The sessions continued and a committee was formed to create a more formalized process. In 2021, Jordan Tucker stepped into the role as the committee chair of the webinars series. Next session will be held November 4, 2021 at 7-8pm est. Recording of webinars will be posted to the APTA Learning Center. Webinars continue to be free for members and hope to continue into the future.

**Topic: CE Terminology**

**Discussion:** ACAPT/NCCE had created a list of updated professional terminology that was not inclusive of PTA education. A task force was developed to include both PT/PTA collaborative terminology. The collaborative document has been completed however, they still need to finalize where the document will be housed as a living document. The task force has developed a review process, a proposal process to add/edit terminology. It's intended to be a free resource to all PT professionals regardless if they are members/nonmembers. Lisa recognized the members of the Task force. Kim Snyder, Lisa Stejskal, Peggy Newman, J. , Mia Erickson, Misty Booth, Marissa Birkmeier, Vicky LaFay.

**Topic: Conference Planning Committee (Pamela Pologruto)**

**Discussion:** Pam reported ELC 2022 will be held October 28-30, 2021. Submissions are due by April 20-22. She encouraged PTA submissions and please reach out for support, we can provide mentoring. We also are looking for feedback on Topics of interest from members. CSM will be held on February 2-5, 2022 in San Antonio, Texas. An online remote version will be available from March 1-3. Early registration ends

Nov 3. The PTAE SIG business meeting will be held at 6:00am - 7:15am February 4,2021. Any questions or feedback about conferences please contact: Pamela Pologruto at [pjp17@psu.edu](mailto:pjp17@psu.edu)

**Topic: Advocacy Updates (Kim Novak)**

**Discussion:** Kim serves as the Federal Affairs liaison committee. Recently attended the advocacy day in Washington, D.C. Current issues: House Bill - SMART act . HR 5536. PTA reimbursement cuts. Congress decreased the cut from 9% to 3%. Medicare reductions tend to hit PT/OT professionals first. Please continue to support by following the Advocacy apps and send letters regarding the fee schedule changes.

**Topic: Chair updates (Jennifer Jewell)**

**Discussion:** ELP reactor panel consisted of PTA educators that participated in discussions related to new ways of developing competencies for both the PT/PTA. Members of the PTAE SIG have volunteers serving on the CPI advisory panel (Kevin Beaugh and Samantha Stryke) and CE SIG Clinical educator award ad hoc group (Beverly Labosky). Reminded members of the volunteer opportunities to serve are available on the website.

**OPEN DISCUSSION:** Questions were asked about communication platforms, List-serve versus the HUB. All members are encouraged to use HUB. Members identified current issues of concern; Admissions, enrollment, student stress. Members of the PTAE SIG will be presenting Sun regarding clinical performance tools (PTA CPI, MAC, CIET)

**NEXT Business Meeting: CSM February 2022**

<https://zoom.us/j/95805585392?pwd=VURVdzRTa3ZCWnU3TkpMNTFiNUt4dz09>

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