

The Sounding Board

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Western Region AMTA

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Notes from the editors:

Wendy Woolsey

2nd Vice-President: Sounding Board Editor- Outgoing

What an exciting time for our region. The first website edition of The Sounding Board. We've come a long way. We hope this adds convenience and accessibility to information sharing in our region. Special thanks to David Grand our webmaster and of course Piper Laird-Riehle our new 2nd Vice-President. It has truly been a pleasure serving our region as 2nd Vice-President and editor of The Sounding Board for the past several years and I look forward to my new role as Parliamentarian.

Piper Laird-Riehle

2nd Vice-President: Sounding Board Editor- Incoming

This being the first web based publication I apologize for getting this out a little later than usual. It has presented some unique challenges and has been a learning process. I look forward to future web publications and helping The Sounding Board continue to grow and develop. A big thank you to Wendy Woolsey for all her help and patience as I learn the ins and outs of this wonderful publication.

Outgoing President's Report **Tracy Leonard-Warner, MT-BC**

Once again, I am in awe. It is fantastic to see so many music therapists sharing, supporting and learning from each other. This year's regional conference was amazing. Thank you to Lillieth Grand, who put together a dynamic program and to Robin Rio for assisting her. And, thank you to the local chairs and committee members for making it look so easy.

I would like to congratulate the following members who received WRAMTA Professional Awards this year, acknowledging them for all of the energy and time they put into the field of music therapy:

- Barbara Reuer - Betty Isern Howery Western Region Recognition Award
- Julie Allis-Berghofer - Professional Practice Award
- Ronald Borczone - Publications Award

And, congratulations to the following music therapy students on receiving this year's WRAMTA Internship Scholarships:

- Laura Noguchi
- Laurel Rencher

Again this year, the response to the Professional Development Grant was amazing. We had \$16,799.00 in requests for the \$3,500.00 we had set aside for grants. The Executive Board had a difficult time making a decision. The following projects were chosen to receive grants this year:

- Salem Lutheran Home - Tone Chimes for Residents with Dementia
- Merced County Arts Council- Equipment for Enrichment Center Music Therapy
- Winn Academy of Music - Music Therapy In-services
- Orthopaedic Hospital - Plaster Clinic Music Therapy Program
- CSUN Music Therapy Clinic - Equipment for Children Are Our Future

It is hard to believe that my three-year term as President of WRAMTA is finally coming to a close. It has been an honor to help to move our organization into the next millennium. We have come a long way in our mission of advancing music therapy and increasing access to quality music therapy services. We are providing education and support for our members and our communities. I am very proud to be involved with such a vibrant and dedicated group and look forward to many more years of coming together and sharing our knowledge with each other. I know that the incoming Executive Board will be under great leadership that will continue to move us forward and upward. Thank you to all of you

Outgoing President-Elect's Report Jennifer D. Geiger, MA, MT-BC

WRAMTA Nominations were closed at the National Conference in November 2002. Address labels were ordered from AMTA in December in order by zip code. Ballots were copied and numbered to assure against duplication. Numbered ballots were randomly stuffed into addressed envelopes along with a cover letter, return addressed envelope and candidate bios of 30 words or less. They were sent on December 30, 2002 with a deadline of February 1st, 2003. 371 ballots were sent to current AMTA professional members. Of those, 143 were returned on time meaning that nearly 39% of our members made their voices heard! (Three late votes received were not counted).

A BIG thanks to our three counters Titia Martin-Nagel, Robin Schmidt and Heather Fellows who tallied votes on Sunday, February 9th, 2003. All candidates were notified the results via mail by February 15th. Here are the results of this exciting election:

President-Elect:	Lillieth Grand, MS, MT-BC
First Vice-President-Elect:	Lisa Klostermann, MT-BC
Secretary:	Nicole Patton, MT-BC
Treasurer:	Karen Sanchez, MT-BC

Listed in order of number of votes received (except for the 1st & 2nd positions of Delegates-Elect)

Assembly Delegates-Elect

(for 2003, **serv**ing on the Assembly in 2004 & 2005)

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9. Patricia K. Doyle, MT-BC
10. Lisa Klostermann, MT-BC

Congratulations to our new officers & Assembly Delegates! I'm looking forward to working with all of you. A BIG thanks to all of our members who volunteered to take on these positions to help our region AND to those who voted. We were notified at regional conference that we now have TEN (10) delegates representing the Western Region! Only two years ago, we added a ninth delegate to our region. How exciting to watch us grow!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE AMTA CONFERENCE IN MINNEAPOLIS FROM NOVEMBER 18-23, 2003. WE'LL SEE YOU THERE! PLEASE NOTE THAT NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2004 WILL BE IN AUSTIN, TEXAS FROM NOVEMBER 17-21.

As a final word as President-Elect, I would like to recognize our NEW Past-President, Tracy Leonard-Warner. This will be the first time since 1999 that our region has had a Past-President in office. I would like to thank Tracy for the incredible amount of work that she has done in her 3-year term as our President (one year she had the duties of President-Elect, President AND Past-President). We have come a very long way under her more than capable leadership. I look forward to continuing the work of our Region (and am VERY grateful to have a Past-President). Thank you!

**Outgoing First Vice-President
Lillieth Grand, MA, MT-BC**

Our conference in San Diego, March 13-16 went very well. We made a small profit that will help the region to further support our members with all that we do. Tim Bays was our entertainment and he surpassed all expectations!!! For the first time, we had more than 10 vendors, several of which had great instruments for us to buy. Feedback was overall positive and there were several good suggestions for the future, which I have passed on to the next first VP, Robin Rio. REMO's Health Rhythms conference ran concurrently with ours and was also a huge success. Having Barry Bitman and Christine Stevens, sponsored by REMO, do opening session was a pleasure! Overall, it was a wonderful conference with fabulous presentations on a myriad of subjects. It seems that each year we say, "this one can not be topped", and the next is better, but I don't know, this one really will be tough to beat! See you all next year in Phoenix.

**Incoming First Vice-President
Robin Rio, MA, MT-BC**

We are well underway our planning of the 2004 conference in Scottsdale, Arizona. The site looks fantastic, and details are being finalized to secure the Chaparral Suites Resort for April 15-18th, 2004. Co-chairs Marty Carnahan and Piper Laird-Riehle gave the Chaparral Suites a big "two thumbs up" when they confirmed my opinion on this location. I am exceedingly excited to let you all know that Jana Stanfield, who gave such a stellar performance at last fall's national conference in Atlanta, will be giving a concert for us in Scottsdale! If you haven't heard her before, you're in for a big treat.

Now that I am finishing my role as First Vice-President Elect and moving into the position of First Vice-President, I'd like to thank Lillieth Grand for all her help in my learning of VP responsibilities. I look forward to two exciting years as conference chair!

**Parliamentarian Report
Terri Smith-Morse, MT-BC**

It is with a sense of melancholy that I write this article. This will be my final note to you as the Parliamentarian of WRAMTA. Wendy Woolsey will be the new Parliamentarian and she will continue to share a great wealth of knowledge in her new position on the board. I will continue on as the Professional Advocacy Representative for this great region. I have truly appreciated the experience of sitting on the Executive Board as the Parliamentarian and getting to know better the inner workings of the region. I have a new respect for those gracious people who volunteer their time to serve on the board. I can tell you that each and every one of them is dedicated to their profession and serving you, the members of the organization. I would encourage all of you to consider getting more involved with WRAMTA. You will be amazed at how rewarding the experience will be and will surely enjoy the new friends and colleagues you meet. I certainly am better for the experience.

It was good to see so many of you at the regional conference in San Diego. I thought that aside from the weather, the conference was just about perfect. Coming from Southern California, I was glad for the rain, but I suspect that many of you would have liked a bit more sunshine. It really was a terrific conference and I am sure next year will be wonderful as well and maybe even sunny. Have a wonderful summer and I hope to see many of you in Minneapolis.

Save the Date!!! Saturday, September, 20, 2002

"Playing From Your Heart"

This will be a 5 hour workshop for music and recreation therapists to take place at Community Hospital of Long Beach, California. Further details will be mailed to area therapists and students.

Contact: Lisa Jackert (562) 494-0851

WRAMTAS President's Report

Tony Ollerton

The WRAMTAS meeting held in San Diego focused on electing a new student executive board for the year 2003-2004. The student body present at the meeting elected the following student members of AMTA. The previous elected secretary decided to peruse a different major, we wish her luck. We have found a wonderful replacement from ASU, Lori Muckey.

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We will be contacting the presidencies of each university, trying to encourage students to become both members of their universities music therapy associations and members of AMTA. As a new presidency, we are still working things out, but will be updating our progress through the WRAMTAS website. Please check it out regularly, along with the WRAMTA website.

<http://wramtas.lovesmusic.com>

I would like to encourage students to being plans to attend the national conference in Minnesota and next year's regional conference in Arizona. These conferences are unique opportunities to meet future colleagues and internship directors. I hope to see you at one or both of these conferences. Remember, check out the website regularly.

Academic Program Approval Committee Report **Beth York, PhD, MT-BC**

The Program Approval Committee (formally the AMTA Education Committee) met in Atlanta, GA on Oct 30-31, 2002. A summary of agenda items follows:

Oct 30, 2002, the committee reviewed and discussed the following:

- 1) The AMTA Task Force Report on Organizational Restructuring of Councils and Standing Committees. This report was adopted by the Assembly of Delegates, which creates a new Council on Education and Clinical Training, including an Education and Training Advisory Board and three Committees: Academic Program Approval Committee, Association Internship Approval Committee, and the Continuing Education Committee.
- 2) Revisions and additions to Policies and Procedures for Academic Program Approval.
- 3) The development of guidelines for Education Committee subcommittee program approval review processes, including responsibilities of members, policies and procedures in documents being reviewed; guidelines regarding the reviews of consortium arrangements/affiliation agreements between academic institutions.
- 4) Guidelines on how to deal with issues of non-compliance with the new AMTA Standards for Education and Clinical Training. The wording in the Standards document regarding masters programs was revised to read: 'Students entering the master's degree without the bachelor's degree in music therapy and/or the MT-BC must take a minimum of 30-36 graduate credits toward advanced competence in addition to and beyond any courses needed to demonstrate entry-level competencies.'

A joint meeting with the former Clinical Training Committee was held to discuss issues related to implementation of the new Standards and other concerns raised by Committee members.

Oct. 31, 2002, the committee discussed the following:

- 1) Updates on the status of approved and new proposals for academic programs. It was recommended to the Executive Board that the Master of Arts degree program at St. Mary of the Woods College in Indiana be approved.
- 2) Beth York's preliminary survey results entitled, "AMTA Competency-Based Curriculum: A Student's Perspective. Results were varied, and did not indicate a trend. The committee recommended that if the survey were to be distributed to students nationwide, that it be revised and distributed to seniors only as an exit questionnaire. Cathy McKinney also reported on a "Senior Survey" at Appalachian St. University.
- 3) University mandates for maximum credit hours for music therapy degree programs, as well as minimum number of graduates for degree programs were discussed.
- 4) A joint meeting with the International Relations Committee, Clinical Training Committee and the Education Committee was held to discuss common concerns. Barbara Wheeler reported on the World Federation of Music Therapy's Commission on Ed and Training and the symposium held at the World Congress in the summer of 2002 in Oxford, England. Sandi Curtis who directs a new music therapy program at the University of Windsor in Ontario, CA, will be submitting a proposal for AMTA approval; this will utilize for the first time the NASM alternative review process for music therapy programs ineligible for NASM accreditation through an agreement with AMTA for international music therapy academic programs.

Since the October, 2002 meetings, the committee has also drafted proposed revisions to the Standards document, "Clinical Training Component, Section 5".

Beth York, Phd, was appointed by Mary Adamack, President of AMTA to be the AMTA representative to the World Federation of Music Therapy's Commission on Education and Training.

Association Internship Approval Committee
Holly Tuesday Baxter, MT-BC

It was honor to attend the 2003 WRAMTA Regional Conference in San Diego and present our newly revised Internship Supervision Training. Twenty-five potential and current Internship Directors attended the CMTE course – more than any other region thus far! Thank you, Western Region, for your continued commitment to internship training and continuing education.

Two ideas were formulated as a result of our Western Region training that the committee is hoping will be adopted at a National level. The first, in conjunction with our webmaster David Grand, is to publish a best practices book online at our website. This would allow internship sites to utilize forms and documents that are outstanding or exemplary. Other regions are keeping an eye on this development and are looking towards doing the same. I will be contacting our Western Region Internship Directors for submission of these documents in the coming weeks.

The second development is the submission of a new internship training session specifically geared towards “grandfathered” internships. A proposal for this training is in the works and we’re hoping to debut this session in Minneapolis at our National Conference.

I also wanted to reiterate an addition to our National Roster Internship Guidelines, which affects all internships receiving applications. This addition is number B.3.5 under the section entitled “REGULATIONS FOR INTERNSHIP APPLICATIONS.” It reads, “In order to maintain client confidentiality, the Internship Director shall not request audio/videotapes that include any session material involving clients.”

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions, ideas or issues you have. I am here to help Internship Directors, Supervising Music Therapists and, of course, the Interns! I look forward to seeing you all in Minneapolis!

Affiliate Relations Committee Report
Robin Rio, MA, MT-BC

The Affiliate Relations Committee has been working hard on a task charged to us by the executive board of AMTA. We have been asked to find leading journals suitable for music therapists to publish articles. The target areas are Autism, Traumatic Brain Injury, Health and Wellness, Nursing, and Counseling. After identifying the publications, we were asked to annotate music therapy articles found in these affiliate journals. The committee has generated a great deal of information for the web site, which is currently being compiled. It will be posted shortly, so look on the "Member's Only" section of the AMTA web site for new additions.

As always, the Affiliate Relations Committee encourages all music therapists to publish and present in affiliate journals and conferences. We our hoping that our work of identifying journals outside of music therapy that are good venues for publication will be a valuable resource for our members. Let us know of collaborations going on with other disciplines!

International Relations Committee Report
Piper Laird-Riehle, MM, MT-BC

Quick update on the International Relations Committee.

- ⇒ Remember to submit foreign travel reports for publication in The Sounding Board.
- ⇒ The International Relations area of the AMTA website will be moved from the “Members Only” area to where everyone can have access to the information.

WRAMTA Executive Board Meeting
March 13, 2003
WRAMTA Regional Music Therapy Conference
San Diego, CA

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer M. Brown, MT-BC

- I. Welcome and Call to order at 10:18 a.m. and welcome by Tracy Leonard-Warner, President. In Attendance; Jennifer D. Geiger, President Elect; Lillieth Grand, First Vice-President; Robin Rio, First Vice President Elect; Jennifer Brown, Secretary; Erin Salez, Treasurer; Terri Smith-Morse, Parliamentarian; Silvia Estabrook, Government Relations; Denise Dugal-Wulfman, Continuing Education Representative; Absent: Ruth Judkowitz, Student Representative; Wendy Woolsey, Second Vice-President
- II. Approval of Agenda **m/s/p**
- III. Approval of Minutes from Atlanta, Georgia **m/s/p**
- IV. Officer's Report
 - A. Presidents Report – Tracy Leonard-Warner
 - 1. Mary Adamek sent correspondence regarding this weekend's conference.
 - 2. There is a new AMTA Education and Training Advisory Board. Appointments have been made and the terms are staggered.
 - 3. Membership has increased in our region and therefore our number of delegates for the Assembly has increased from 9 to 10 for 2004.
 - 4. The National Conference has been confirmed for November 17-21, 2004 in Austin, Texas.
 - 5. A representative from The Sellecca-Tesh Foundation is joining us this weekend. Lynn Eriks is here and is looking to help provide funds for Music Therapists who work with the elderly in the Southern California area.
 - 6. WRAMTA is giving 3 regional awards and 2 student awards this weekend.

B. President Elect –Jennifer Geiger

- 1. Report of Election results. **(See Exhibit B)**

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C. First Vice President –Lillieth Grand

- 1. The Conference has gotten off to a great start! There are 8 CMTE's being offered, more presentations than ever before, plus Remo is having their conference in conjunction with ours and many of their participants are taking our courses. We are catering two lunches and have a silent auction with snacks and a cash bar. Saturday night concert with Tim Bays! We have 12 Vendors at this conference. It's great!
- 2. Awards will be given at the luncheon tomorrow (Friday) and Lynn Eriks will be giving a small speech.
- 3. Barry Bitman and Christine Stevens will be our opening session speakers and will then lead a drum circle.
- 4. Projecting profit. 226 people pre- registered and on-site registrants could make it up to 300 people.

WRAMTA Executive Board Meeting Continued

D. First Vice-President Elect – Robin Rio

1. Tentative date for Regional Conference next year is April 15-19, 2004 in Scottsdale, Arizona. Hotels have been narrowed down to two choices –brief overviews given of both. Already have 2 local-chairs.
2. Motion to give Robin the approval to make the decision to choose a hotel as she sees fit.
m/s/p
3. Jana Stanfield has the dates available to be our performer in Arizona and would stay to participate in the whole conference. The \$2000 Fee is the same as she was offering for this San Diego conference, which she was not able to be a part of. Specifics given of what kind of audio-visual needs she has and what it is she provides. Additional costs were discussed (airfare, registration, meals, lodging).
4. The possibility of raising the fees across the board by \$5 was discussed. Fees have not been raised in 4 years. This possibility would help in helping to cover Jana's costs. Tracy will look into her Hospital co-sponsoring Jana. Looking at other funding sources.
5. Move to approve signing the contract with Jana as it currently stands and we will worry about the costs as we go. **m/s/p**
6. Wants us to continue looking at future conferences. Still looking at Central California area for 2005. Her focus is towards Hawaii...probably around 2007 (approx the time the National Conference comes back to our region!).

E. Second Vice-President – Wendy Woolsey (absent, written report given) (See Exhibit C)

1. The next deadline for submissions to the Sounding Board is April 15 to be posted on line May 15.
2. Grant Recipients need to submit for the Spring Edition. She has not received but one submission. Tracy asked that Wendy follow up with the grant recipients.
3. Spring edition of Sounding Board will be our first online edition. Postcards will be sent to our members notifying them of the posting.

F. Secretary - Jennifer Brown

1. Re-stocked on secretarial supplies.
2. She is expecting at the beginning of October!

G. Treasurer –Erin Salez

1. Passed out Budget (see Exhibit D)
2. We are doing well -almost \$4000 under budget. Though some people have not submitted their needs for reimbursement.
3. Discussed making a deadline for conference reimbursement.
4. Discussed the possibility of first vice-president having a reimbursement stamp. It was decided it would be too confusing.

H. Parliamentarian – Terri Smith-Morse

1. Passed out Constitution and Bylaws. (See exhibit A)
2. Terri excited that David Grand is doing the website and the current Constitution and By-laws are now posted.

I. Government Relations – Silvia Estabrook

1. Did a reimbursement presentation in Utah.
2. Ava Williams book on “One Step at a time” has been published. It is about getting government contracts.
3. NPA (non-public agency) status is continuing in certain areas.
4. The issue of licensure is coming up in several states. Will continue to follow.
5. Possibility of doing more advertising/education on Government Relations. IE: What is it?... Where you need to go to get questions addressed, etc.
6. Received email from Judy Simpson regarding IDEA and parody. Will address at the business meeting.

WRAMTA Executive Board Meeting Continued

J. Continuing Education –Denise Dugal-Wulfman

1. There is a Spring Symposium coming up March 29 in Arizona that WRATMA will be co-sponsoring. It will be music skill building for Music Therapists.
2. 79+ people pre-registered for CMTE. 40 people signed up for 2 CMTE's and 15 people signed up for 3.

L. Student President – Ruth Judkowitz.

1. Lost their treasurer after Atlanta.
2. Doing a fundraiser at this conference. Selling the last 20 handbags. Made mugs and are selling them for \$5.00.
3. Nominations take place at tomorrow's student meeting and elections will be the following day.
4. Would like to include the Flyer in an orientation packet to send to students.

V. Grant Proposals Review

A. We reviewed proposals in excess of \$16,000. Applications were reviewed, discussed and voted on. Tracy will notify applicants soon.

recessed at 2:35 p.m.

reconvened at 9:05 PM (Ruth Judkowitz joined us and gave her report).

VI. Old Business

A. Web Site

1. David Grand has designed it and brought many ideas to the floor. THANK YOU, DAVID!!!
2. General comments given. We have decided we want it a little more professional looking. Logo bigger and the words WRAMTA more pronounced. Color is good.
3. Discussed having graphic designer giving some ideas for a web logo. Motion to authorize Lillie to submit to Colleen, the graphic designer, to create a logo for our region not to exceed \$500.00 by the end of April. **m/s/p**
4. Use of website: Envision members using the website. Job-postings for public and interested music therapists; Educational opportunities and government relations information. Definitely want to include a student page.
5. We want to keep David on as web-master. Discussed adding some compensation to next budget.
6. Adobe Acrobat needing to be purchased. Approx. \$220.00
7. Approval of the domain name. \$150 will get us for 10 years with the same domain name.
8. Looking for a new host as our current host has not been very responsive and communication needs to be better. Estimated at \$135.00
9. Move to spend up to \$600 on purchasing Adobe Acrobat, renewing our domain name, wramta.org for 10 years, and getting a new website host and charging David Grand to take care of all these things. **m/s/p**
10. See appendix. (David's Report) (**Exhibit E**)
11. Discussed the need to establish some guidelines on what we endorse and what we do not endorse. Submit ideas to Jennifer Geiger before mid-year so that ideas can already be in process.

VIII. New Business

IV. Good and Welfare

1. Congrats to Wendy Woolsey– as she is expecting a baby and has moved. We're delighted she stayed in the region and is still on the board!!
2. It is exciting that our membership numbers have increased!
3. Tracy is amazed at the work of the board.
4. The board is amazed and grateful for the work of Tracy and her leadership!

Adjournment at 10:35 p.m.

WRAMTA General Business Meeting

March 14 & 15, 2003

Western Region Music Therapy Conference

San Diego, CA

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer M. Brown, MT-BC

- I. Welcome and call to order at 3:35 p.m. by Tracy Leonard-Warner, President
- II. Approval of Agenda **m/s/p**
- III. Approval of Minutes from Business Meeting at 2002 AMTA Annual Conference in Atlanta Georgia as printed in the Sounding Board **m/s/p**
- IV. Officer's Reports
 - A. President - Tracy Leonard-Warner
 1. Read letter from AMTA President, Mary Adamek
 2. Members of the new AMTA Education and Training Advisory Board have been selected.
 3. AMTA 2003 Conference in Minneapolis and 2004 is in Austin, Texas. The World Congress in 2005 is in Australia.
 - B. President Elect- Jennifer Geiger
 1. In the recent election, 39 % of our membership voted! Thank you for the vote counters who helped. The results of the election is as follows:
 - a. President Elect – Lillieth Grand
 - b. First Vice President Elect – Lisa Klostermann
 - c. Secretary – Nicole Patton
 - d. Treasurer – Karen Sanchez

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2. Since our membership has increased, we now need 10 assembly delegates and 10 assembly delegate elects.
3. AMTA now has three councils: 1) Council on Education and Clinical Training 2) Council on Professional Practices 3) Council on Association. Many of the same people are continuing on as our committee representatives, but there are also some new people. Thank you, to all.
4. There are two new committees of which we have openings for and a need for a representative. They are: Reimbursement Committee and Membership Committee. There is also an opening on the Student Advisory Board.

C. Vice President - Lillieth Grand

1. Projecting to make a profit in this conference.
2. Exciting concert this weekend at no charge to our members. Tim Bays is amazing! Come and see!
3. Lillie expressed her thanks to the members for their support.

WRAMTA General Business Meeting Continued

- D. Vice-President Elect - Robin Rio
 - 1. Next year's Regional Conference is in Scottsdale, Arizona April 16-19. The co-chairs are Piper Laird-Riehle and Marty Cannahan.
 - 2. Looking for a local committee to be a part of the action. Many have already volunteered to help out. If you are interested, please contact me.
 - 3. Jana Sanfield has graciously accepted to come perform and do a CMTE for us at the conference
 - 4. Looking at Sacramento, Ca in 2005 as a possibility.
 - 5. Wanting to do a conference in Hawaii in the near future.
- E. Second Vice-President - Wendy Woolsey –(absent) given by Jennifer Geiger
 - 1. The Spring Edition of the Sounding Board will be our first online edition. It can be found at www.wramta.org You will be receiving a postcard on May 15 telling you that the Sounding Board has been posted. If you need a hard copy due to the not having access to the web, please contact Wendy at woolseyshjc@hotmail.com
- F. Secretary – Jennifer Brown has nothing to report at this time!
- G. Treasurer - Erin Salez
 - 1. We are financially sound!
- H. Parliamentarian - Terri Smith-Morse has nothing to report at this time!
- I. Government Relations - Silvia Estabrook
 - 1. Has a packet of information available with information regarding IDEA and other government relations information. Please contact Silvia if you are interested in obtaining a copy.
 - 2. The link to the US Senate and House of Representatives phone numbers and other contact information for Senate and House Committee is <http://thomas.loc.gov>
- J. Continuing Education Representative - Denise Dugal-Wulfman
 - 1. People really took advantage of our Continuing Ed courses this week.
 - 2. Co-sponsoring another activity this Spring in Arizona.
- V. Committee Representatives Report's
 - A. Academic Program Approval Committee (formally the Education Committee) - Maureen Hearn reporting for Beth York – (see Exhibit A)
 - B. Association Internship Approval Committee – Holly Baxter
 - 1. This committee concerns itself with National Roster Internship and is working closely with the University Affiliated Internship Approval Committee.
 - 2. There are new standards and guidelines, as well as a streamlined application process that has been adopted.
 - 3. For those who already have an internship – you may no longer ask for a videotape interview involving sessions with clients.
 - 4. Interns will be given an anonymous Post-Internship Questionnaire 6 months after you have completed.
 - C. Employment and Public Relations Committee –Anna Gonzalez-Berezin
 - 1. This committee is working on researching career selection tools. The goal is to educate tool developers regarding our profession so that Music Therapy might be included as a career suggestion.
 - 2. There will be a Career Profile of a Music Therapist who is in our region. It will be on our website. Example of what a music therapist does and is, etc.
 - D. Professional Advocacy –Terri Smith-Morse
 - 1. The handbook is now on the AMTA website. It can help you deal with issues related with professional advocacy. We would like to see people within the state be the first line of representation.
 - 2. Please send your correspondences to Terri. Members are first line of defense. Let's communicate!

Recessed at 4:15 p.m.

WRAMTA General Business Meeting Continued

Reconvened at 2:05 p.m. on 3/14

E. Standards of Clinical Practice Committee & Special Target Populations – Roberta Adler

1. Committee has been broken into 2 separate committees. Anna Berezin will be our new rep for the Special Target Populations Committee.
2. The committee hosted a networking time in Atlanta to allow people to meet new board representatives.

F. International Committee – Piper Laird-Riehle

1. Anybody traveling abroad, please contact this committee to share your experiences and information.
2. There will be a Foreign Travel link on the web. It will not be a members only area.

G. Affiliate relations – Robin Rio

1. This committee was assigned a task in November to identify journals in related areas to Music Therapy. (Primarily those that are not published in Music Therapy journals)

VI. Old Business

A. Proposed AMTA Bylaws Revisions

1. Revisions and changes were discussed and explained throughout the bylaws. Questions and concerns were raised as to the definitions and terminology to some of the new additions. Tracy, as a member of the Task Force, will review them. The suggested changes by the Bylaws Task Force will be posted on www.wramta.org to solicit input from our members.

VII. New Business

VIII. Good and Welfare

1. Judith Pinkerton is in desperate need of music therapists in Las Vegas. The Population in the area has doubled and the Music Therapy needs are great.
2. Cal State University Northridge posting a position for a senior clinician.
3. UOP is offering a scholarship for those who are interested in Master's program for the Fall.
4. There is a mother of a boy who is desperately seeking someone to provide music therapy service in the San Luis Obispo, Central California area.

Adjournment 3 PM

Therapeutic Arts Institute Guided Imagery and Music Trainings for 2003-04

5-Day Level I GIM Seminars (40 CMTE's)

November 17-20, 2002 (before the AMTA Conference) in Minneapolis, MN with Fran Goldberg & Lisa Summer

June 13-18, 2004 at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College, IN with Lisa Summer

1-Year Training in Music and Imagery Techniques/Optional 2 Year GIM Internship

8-Day Seminar (62 CMTE's) Inner World: Using Music & Imagery Techniques with Individuals

August 9-17, 2003 in Calistoga, CA with Fran Goldberg and Lisa Summer

6-Day Seminar (48 CMTE's): Reflections & Connections - Group Processing through Music and Imagery

Date TBA (spring, 2004) in Calistoga, CA with Fran Goldberg and Lisa Summer

Contacts: Fran Goldberg: fgoldb1071@aol.com; Lisa Summer: lsummer@annamaria.edu, Therapeutic Arts Institute at 415-337-6130 for description, costs (tuition; rm/bd), info, registration.

WRAMTA Executive Old/New Board Meeting

March 16, 2003

WRAMTA Regional Music Therapy Conference

San Diego, CA

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer M. Brown, MT-BC

- I. Welcome and Call to order at 7:23 a.m. by Tracy Leonard-Warner, President. In Attendance – Jennifer D. Geiger, President Elect; Lillieth Grand, First Vice-President and Incoming President-Elect; Robin Rio, First Vice President Elect; Lisa Klostermann, Incoming First Vice-President Elect; Jennifer Brown, Secretary; Nicole Patton, Incoming Secretary; Erin Salez, Treasurer; Karen Sanchez – Incoming Treasurer; Piper Laird-Riehle, Incoming Second-Vice President; Silvia Estabrook, Government Relations; Patrick Kelliher, Incoming Government Relations; Denise Dugal-Wulfman, Continuing Education Representative; Terri Smith-Morse, Parliamentarian; Ruth Judkowitz, WRAMTAS President; Tony Ollerton, Incoming WRAMTAS President; Absent: Wendy Woolsey, Second Vice-President; Incoming Parliamentarian
- II. Approval of Agenda /m/s/p
- III. Introduction of New Officers
- IV. Mid Year Meeting
 - A. **May 30-June 1, 2003 in Phoenix, Arizona, with the meeting starting at 10:00 am on Saturday until early afternoon on Sunday.**
- V. Old Business
 - A. Professional Grant was reviewed again as to the winners and the allocation of monies.
- VI. New Business
 - A. New Contact Information for the new Board, Assembly Delegates, and Committee Representative
 - B. \$220 was fundraised this weekend for the student organization.
- VII. **Good and Welfare**
 - A. **Thank you to Lillie and Robin for the fabulous job they did putting the conference together. It was a wonderful time!**
 - B. THANK YOU to Tracy for her outstanding leadership over the past 3 years.
- VIII. Adjournment at 7:50 a.m. m/s/p



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NEW BOARD

Western Region AMTA

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"SB" or "WRAMTA" in the
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Next issue:

The next issue of The Sounding Board will include reports and minutes from the Mid-Year Meeting. It will be published online at wramta.org. Don't forget to send in submissions for publication in the September 2003 newsletter. Have a happy and safe summer!

