**WPTA Northwest District Meeting Minutes**

**DATE:** 3/10/2020

**LOCATION:** Northwoods Therapy Associates

**ATTENDEES:** 48

1. New and returning board members were introduced
   1. Rachel Sting – Chair
   2. Sandi Richey – Vice Chair
   3. Ben Reich - Secretary
   4. Alissa Amundson – Treasurer
2. Report of current district finances was given
   1. Balance as of 1/31/2020 = $7,222.40
   2. We are waiting on current numbers to see where we stand after hosting the Yoga course
3. Future course ideas were given and discussed
   1. Myopain Dry Needling III
      1. The group expressed interest in bringing this course to the Chippewa Valley
      2. Rachel is going to discuss hosting with Myopain the 2nd-4th weekends September 2020 (pending COVID)
      3. We would need projector, tables, linen, gloves, sharps containers, alcohol wipes, and snacks.
   2. Ethics course
      1. CVTC representatives offered to hose possible ethics course
      2. The group did not express much interest in this
   3. The group did express interest in persistent pain and/or vestibular courses
4. Spring state conference details were shared
   1. Conference has now been cancelled due to COVID
5. Rachel shared information from the professional development and board of directors meetings she attended on 1/29/20 and 2/22/20.
   1. 2020 Fall Conference at the Wilderness in Wisconsin Dells October 1-2nd
   2. 2021 spring conference at the Best Western Premier Waterfront Hotel and Convention Center in Oshkosh April 15-16.
   3. North Central district is planning a certified exercise experts for aging adult course
   4. APTA Centennial 2021
      1. APTA birthday bash at Universal Studios
         1. $30 for day pass for PT’s.
   5. WPTA exploring the formation of a Diversity Committee
   6. The PTEB can now promulgate rules related to supervision of SPT’s and SPTA’s.
   7. Wisconsin recently became part of the PT compact.
   8. Layoffs of home health staff due to Medicare payment changes should be reported to the WPTA.
   9. Anthem BCBS AIM for Medicare Advantage patients launched on 4/1/202.
6. We discussed future host sights and CE topics for upcoming meetings
   1. CVTC offered to host the next meeting
   2. Topics for meetings discussed included:
      1. Rehabbing the injured worker
      2. Boxing with Parkinson’s
      3. Vestibular
         1. The group expressed the most interest in this topic
   3. The group expressed interest in having our next meeting tentatively planned for June 2020 to be a social event (pending COVID).
7. Dr. Brent Carlson provided the Continuing Education and presented on hip labral repair and reconstruction.

Benjamin Reich, PT 4/3/2020