

**Orthopaedic Section APTA
Occupational Health Special Interest Group**

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
February 6, 2008
CSM Nashville TN**

Call to Order: 5:15 pm by Margot Miller

Present: Margot Miller, David Miller, Dee Daley, Kathy Rockefeller

Absent: Steve Allison, Drew Bossen, Nicole Matoushek, Jen Pollack, Joe Kleinkort, Jen Steiner

Kathryn Lyons, a member of APTA's Residency/Fellowship Credentialing Committee was to attend the BOD meeting to discuss OHSIG's interest in developing fellowship programs in Occ Health for our members. Kathryn was not able to attend. Janet Crosier was to attend in her place; she did not attend.

Margot and Dee met with Kathryn while at the conference. We discussed the following with Kathryn to share with the Committee: OHSIG completed a Practice Analysis; we are completing the Executive Summary for publication in OPTP; we are completing a petition for ABPTS for certification in OHPT; we will consider residency/fellowship opportunities. Kathryn was pleased to hear we have this direction.

President's Report: Margot Miller

1. Margot distributed a summary of her report on OHSIG activities for Ortho BOD.
2. Margot encouraged us to attend the meeting scheduled at CSM for Feb 7 from 4-5 that will discuss the proposed SIG Restructure plans.
3. Margot will discuss getting a conf call line with Nicole.
4. The ortho section is a sponsor of the Somato-visceral Course. Jay Irrang contacted Margot to see if anyone from OHSIG BOD was interested in attending tuition free. No one is able to attend. Margot will announce at the OHSIG General Membership meeting. The course is in Ft Worth TX, Mar 31-April 1st.
5. We need articles for Ortho PT Practice. Nicole Matoushek has been a tremendous help with articles this past year. We thank her for her contributions. We will continue to put notices out to members via email blast. BOD members agreed to connect with potential authors and we will mention the need for authors at the OHSIG general business meeting at CSM.
6. Recognition of Kathy Rockefeller's article in Rehabilitation Nursing re: Safe patient handling equipment. Ken Harwood also has an article re: myths connected with Safe Patient Handling Equipment.
7. Media requests continue for us. Margot uses other BOD whenever possible.

8. We were asked to help the Association of Chartered Physiotherapists in Occ Health and Ergonomics (ACPOHE) as they develop FCE guidelines. APTA gave Margot permission to share the OHSIG FCE guidelines. Dr. Frances Polak, Chair of ACPOHE was very appreciative of these and will keep us posted on their work.

9. Margot summarized the progress of the FCE Task Force in reviewing the FCE Guidelines. The working task force at CSM was: Drew Bossen; Gwen Simmons; Rick Wickstrom; Larry Feeler; Glenda Key; Kevin Basile; Margot Miller. The working group got through the guidelines. Gwen and Rick took notes. Notes will be distributed to the working group for first pass review. Then the updated guidelines will be distributed to the full group. Those from the FCE Guideline task force who did not attend CSM : Susan Isernhagen; Deborah Lechner; Jill Galper, Nicole Matoushek, Steve Allison.

Vice President's Report: Kathy Rockefeller

Kathy reported that she and Ken Harwood have articles in the January Rehabilitation Nursing journal on "Safe Patient Handling" and "Myths about Safe Patient Handling Equipment."

Kathy is the keynote speaker at the Safe Patient Handling conference for Region V in Milwaukee, May 30. More info to follow.

OSHA Region V and APTA are working on an Alliance. Mary Fran is our contact through APTA. Margot, Drew and Kathy are participating.

Research Chair: David Miller

David reported on the progress he and Kathy have made while at CSM to bring the Executive Summary to completion. Margot, Dee, Kathy and David will finalize the summary and share with the BOD. The goal is to publish in OPTP.

Education Chair: Dee Daley

Dee reported the work she has done on Work Conditioning/Work Hardening. Joe to review her first draft. Then to the BOD.

Dee to talk with Steve Allison re: taking the primary lead for updating Role of the PT in Occupational Health.

OHSIG sponsored education at CSM 2008 is: David McCuen, Manual Therapy for the Upper Extremity 'itis'.

Dee is working on a Pre-Con programming for OHSIG CSM 2009 as well as general OHSIG programming possibilities. She will keep us updated.

Dee made a motion, seconded by David, for OHSIG BOD to hold an annual face to face BOD meeting, not at the time of CSM. Motion passed.

Nominating Report: Jen Pollack, Chair (reported by Margot)

Incoming VP - Steve Allison

Membership Chair - Jen Steiner resigned. This is an appointed position; we will discuss at the OHSIG general business meeting.

Nominating Committee Member: one more member is needed. John Lowe will be voted on at the general business meeting.

Kathy Rockefeller – a motion was made by Dee, seconded by David to appoint Kathy Rockefeller as Research Chair. David wished to resign as Chair, but is open to assisting as a committee member. Motion passed.

New Business:

None

Adjourned 8:00.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margot Miller for Joe Kleinkort, OHSIG Secretary who could not attend.