East Texas District Board Meeting July 17, 2018

The East Texas District Board met via Zoom on July 17, 2018. Members calling in: Ann Huffstetter, Kristi Kleinig, Terry Bunker, Polly Bowers-Maness, Rubye Kendrick, Amanda Storer, Artis Newsome.

Officer positions: Laurie Hurst is our delegate for the district to the APTA HOD.

Josh Megli has resigned as he is moving out of the district, so we need a membership chair.

An education chair is needed. Since Polly is working with other districts to use an on line meeting to share the CCUs she is acting as education chair.

Concerns for the upcoming quarterly TPTA Board Meeting and for Texas Assembly in October: Learn the status of direct access in Texas, and prepare a motion concerning the proposed reduction in reimbursement for PTAs.

HOD report: Rubye Kendrick reported that PTs and PTAs have been added to disaster management. Rubye will email more about HOD.

Treasury: We have funds and need to have a fund raiser.

An explanation of how an online meeting could work was given, and Polly will check scheduling with other districts we are planning to team up with. Since the Kilgore meeting in November is the best attended we will have a face-to-face meeting in Kilgore and one other face-to-face meeting. The other 2 meetings could be small regional groups on-line.

GAC: Artis agreed that we need to make a statement about opposition to the reduction for PTAs and nurse practitioners.

The date of the September meeting may depend on other districts. The ETD board will meet again in August. Polly will send the survey to determine the date.

The Kilgore meeting will be November 15, 2018.

Respectfully, Ann Huffstetter District Secretary