

East Texas District Minutes
Board Meeting
April 30, 2020

The ETD Board met via Zoom on April 30, 2020. The next district meeting will be held using TPTAs Zoom, since it can hold more people. Ron Short, PT will present the Barb Melzer lecture that he presented at the 2019 Annual Conference. CCUs have already been approved, and are still current. It was moved by Ann Huffstetter, seconded by Kristi Kleinig, and approved that the meeting be held on May 21, 2020 using TPTAs Zoom room. The meeting will start at 6:30pm and will provide CCUs.

Membership is down due to COVID19.

Financially the district and TPTA are okay. TPTA had shifted some funds into a safer account just before the virus hit.

Vivianna Cruz has agreed to serve as district treasurer. TPTA just changed the accounting system and the Vivianna will be trained as soon as possible. \$80,000 has been saved because the HOD for Texas is meeting electronically and not traveling.

Medicare has approved telehealth retroactive to March 1, 2020.

There are free CCUs available at the TPTA and APTA websites for those who have been furloughed due to the virus

APTA is providing a grace period for dues payment of three months. One district chair suggested that APTA change to a subscription-type dues payment, which may be considered.

TPTA annual conference will be virtual, as a decision had to be made early to avoid major financial penalties for a last minute cancellation.

Since the district is okay financially, and is spending much less on travel, a discussion was held to consider purchasing a camera to record seminars that we present, so they can be made available by TPTA for CCUs, and serve as a revenue source for the district beyond the date of presentation. The camera would need a physical home, and we need advice as to what to purchase.

Robert's Rules or Order have been approved for the ETD, and replace the bylaws.

District elections: Vice chair and secretary are to be elected in May. Ann Huffstetter, PTA has consented to serve as secretary, if elected. Some method will be used to collect ballots electronically. An email from TPTA could be sent to district members.

Student conclave will be November 5-7, 2020.

APTAs 100th anniversary is nearing and each district has been asked to record and send in comments/vignettes/something celebratory of influential PTs, PTAs, and what APTA has meant to members of different generations. Kristi offered a location for the recording. We do not yet have a due date. Founder's day is September 2021.

Respectfully,
Ann Huffstetter, PTA
District Secretary