

**New York Physical Therapy Association
Delegate Assembly
Virtual Meeting
May 1, 2021**

Topic	Discussion	Action														
Call to Order	Called to Order by the Speaker of the Assembly Genevieve Smith @ 9 am															
Introductions	<p>Officers President: Peggy Lynam Treasurer: Keri Gill-Smith Secretary: Debra Engel Chief Delegate: Roger Herr Speaker: Genevieve Smith Vice Speaker/VP: Mike Tisbe Executive Director: Kelly Garceau Parliamentarian: Ann Homer Judicial/Reference Committee Chair: Kaitlyn Parrotte</p> <p>Student Delegates: Sabrina Basile, SPT Hripsime Petrosyan, SPT</p> <p>Past NYPTA Presidents: Jim Dunleavy, Matt Hyland, Michael Mattia and Marilyn Moffat</p>															
Roll Call	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Brooklyn/Staten Island</td> <td style="width: 40%;">17(17 PT + 0 PTA)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Catskill</td> <td>8 (7 PT + 1 PTA)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Central</td> <td>13(12 PT + 1 PTA)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Eastern</td> <td>9(9 PT + 0 PTA)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Finger Lakes</td> <td>9(8 PT + 1 PTA)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Greater NY</td> <td>35(34 PT + 1 PTA)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hudson Valley</td> <td>18(18 PT + 0 PTA)</td> </tr> </table>	Brooklyn/Staten Island	17(17 PT + 0 PTA)	Catskill	8 (7 PT + 1 PTA)	Central	13(12 PT + 1 PTA)	Eastern	9(9 PT + 0 PTA)	Finger Lakes	9(8 PT + 1 PTA)	Greater NY	35(34 PT + 1 PTA)	Hudson Valley	18(18 PT + 0 PTA)	Voting Strength = 158 Majority = 80 2/3 vote =105
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	Long Island 31(28 PT + 3 PTA) Southern Tier 6(6 PT + 0 PTA) Western 12(11 PT + 1 PTA)	
In Memoriam	A moment of silence for recently departed colleagues with a special tribute to: Susan Bennett- former NYPTA President, Tracy Sawyer- former Vice President and Melanie Gillar- former Secretary.	
Adopt the Rules	Reference Committee moves to adopt the rules as printed in the packet	Rules Adopted
Order of Business	Reference Committee moves to adopt the order of business as printed in Delegate Assembly packet	Order of Business Adopted
Adopt the Agenda	Move to adopt the agenda as published.	Agenda Adopted with additions to the generative discussion
Committee Appointments	Committee to Approve the minutes: Michael Huson: Finger Lakes District Kathleen Birnbaum: Hudson Valley District Jeremy Crow - Greater New District Elections Committee: N/A	
Annual Reports	President: Peggy Lynam - State of the Chapter Address	
	Public Policy Committee Chair: State Legislative update by Marcia Spoto	
	Federal Affairs Liaison: Federal Legislative Update by Theresa Marko	
Annual Reports	Questions on annual reports	
New Business	Nominating Committee Chair Vicki LaFay presented the slate of candidates	
	New York Chapter Motions	

JC 1A-21	<p>Nominating Committee moves to present the following candidates for the office of Treasurer:</p> <p>Michael Huson, PT, DPT Mark Amir, PT, DPT</p> <p>No nominations from the floor</p>	
JC 1B-21	<p>Nominating Committee moves to present the following candidates for the office of Secretary:</p> <p>Debra Engel, PT, DPT, Catherine Talbett, PT, DPT</p> <p>No Nominations from the floor</p>	
JC 1C-21	<p>Nominating Committee moves to present the following candidate for the position of Chief Delegate:</p> <p>Roger Herr, PT, MPA</p> <p>No Nominations from the floor</p>	
JC 1D-21	<p>Nominating Committee moves to present the following candidates for the position of Nominating Committee Member.</p> <p>No Nominations Received</p> <p>Nominated from the Floor:</p> <p>Theresa Marko PT, DPT Lynn Rivers PT, PhD Brittany Simpson PT, DPT</p>	
JC 2a-21	<p>The Nominating Committee moves to present the following candidates for the position of Delegate to the 2022 House of Delegates: (12 to be elected)</p> <p>Jeremy Crow (GNY) Theresa Marko (GNY)</p> <p>Nominations from the floor: Sushant Abrol (GNY) Kyle Adams (C)</p>	

	<p>Mark Amir (B/SI) Bronte' Cardenas (HV) James Dunleavy (HV) Michael Huson (FL) Nanette Hyland (HV) Soujaniya Konada (HV) Vicki LaFay (C) Anna Len (B/SI) Mary Libutti (HV) Mike Mattia B/SI) Jacob McPherson (W) Marilyn Moffat (GNY) Rosa Panchame-Torres (GNY) Kaitlyn Parrotte (GNY) Audrey Paslow (E) Lynn Rivers (W) Adam Rufa (C) Brittany Simpson Genevieve Smith (C)</p>	
JC 2b-21	<p>The Nominating Committee moves to present the following candidates for the position of Representative to the 2022 and 2023 PTA Caucus: David Faccini, PTA Tracy Harde, PTA Heather Smith, PTA No Nominations from the Floor</p>	
JC 3-21 (Conforming Amendments)	<p>Part A MOVED to amend the Certificate of Incorporation Article 1. Name by striking and inserting as follows:</p>	<p>158 Yes 0 No Unanimous Approval</p>

The name of this organization is ~~The New York Physical Therapy Association, Inc.~~ **APTA New York**, a chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association, hereinafter referred to as the Chapter.

If adopted, will read:

The name of this organization is the APTA New York, a chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association, hereinafter referred to as the Chapter.

Part B

MOVED to amend the Bylaws of The New York Physical Therapy Association, Article 1, Section 1, Name, by striking and inserting as follows:

~~The New York Physical Therapy Association, Inc.~~ **APTA New York**, hereinafter referred to as the Chapter, shall be a chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association, hereinafter referred to as the Association.

If adopted, will read:

APTA New York, hereinafter referred to as the Chapter, shall be a chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association, hereinafter referred to as the Association.

RATIONALE: APTA has implemented a new branding initiative with new logos based on a unified brand strategy. According to information from APTA, the unified brand will help to create clarity for members and potential members, so they can easily recognize APTA's offerings and value. It also will help to provide a more consistent customer experience, strengthening our community in the spirit of APTA's mission. The unified brand strategy will advance the brand promise of: "*With APTA I get the*

	<p><i>trusted leader for the physical therapy profession, empowering me to thrive and to make a difference in people's lives."</i></p> <p>APTA officially launched the new brand on a national level in June 2020. Components (Chapter and Sections) have the choice of adopting the APTA-leading alignment option which involves adopting a logo and naming structure that is consistent with APTA's brand framework and guidelines. According to APTA, components that adopt this option will create a strong visual and verbal connection to APTA national and across component organizations.</p> <p>For the NY Chapter to adopt this APTA-leading brand option, it is necessary to change the Chapter's name to "APTA New York". APTA is providing Components resources to assist with the transition through the end of 2021(necessary website changes re new logo, etc)</p> <p>As per Chapter legal counsel opinion, it is the purview of the Delegate Assembly to make the decision as to whether or not to change the Chapter name to be aligned with APTA's new brand.</p> <p>GOAL/OBJECTIVE: Goal 4, Obj 3 FISCAL IMPACT: To be determined (? Cost to file updated articles of incorporation with NYS) TARGET DATE: Immediate</p>	
<p>JC 4-21 (Conforming Amendments)</p>	<p>Part A</p> <p>MOVED to amend the Bylaws of The New York Physical Therapy Association, Article VI, Delegate Assembly, Section 3, Meetings. A. Annual Meetings by striking and inserting as follows:</p> <p>The Annual Meeting of the Chapter shall be a business meeting of the Chapter Delegate Assembly at a time and place specified by the Chapter Board of Directors Executive Committee in consultation with the Speaker of the</p>	<p>158 Yes 0 No Unanimous Approval</p>

Delegate Assembly.

If adopted, will read:

The Annual Meeting of the Chapter shall be a business meeting of the Chapter Delegate Assembly at a time and place specified by the Executive Committee in consultation with the Speaker of the Delegate Assembly.

Part B

MOVED to amend the Bylaws of The New York Physical Therapy Association, Article VII, Officer, Board of Directors & Executive Committee, Section 1, Officers and Directors, 3, e by inserting a new number 1 as follows:

1. In consultation with the Executive Committee, determine the time and place of conferences and the Annual Meeting of the Chapter

Current numbers 1-5 will be renumbered 2-6.

If adopted, will read:

1. In consultation with the Executive Committee, determine the time place of conferences and the Annual Meeting of the Chapter.

Current numbers 1-5 will be renumbered 2-6.

Part C

MOVED to amend the Bylaws of The New York Physical Therapy Association, Article VII, Officers, Board of Directors & Executive Committee, Section 4, Board of Directors, C. 12, by striking as follows:

~~12. Determine the time and place of the conferences and Annual Meeting of the Chapter.~~

Subsequent items 13-15 will be renumbered 12-14.

Part D

MOVED to amend the Bylaws of The New York Physical Therapy Association, Article VII, Officers, Board of Directors & Executive Committee, Section 5, Executive Committee, C, by adding a new number 6 as follows:

6. In consultation with the Speaker of the Delegate Assembly, determine the time and place of the conferences and Annual Meeting of the Chapter.

If adopted, will read:

6. In consultation with the Speaker of the Delegate Assembly, determine the time and place of the conferences and Annual Meeting.

RATIONALE: The current Bylaws state that the Board of Directors determines the time and place of conferences and the Annual Meeting; however, due to the time constraints for signing hotel contracts for conferences and the Annual Meeting, it would be more efficient to make these decisions the responsibility of the Executive Committee, which meets on a monthly basis and would be able to make the decisions in a timely manner. In actual practice, the BOD has not actually voted on the time and place of conferences or the Annual Meeting in many years.

GOAL/OBJECTIVE: Goal 4; Obj. 3

FISCAL IMPACT: None

TARGET DATE: Immediate

<p>JC 5-21 (Conforming Amendments)</p>	<p>PART A</p> <p>MOVED to amend the Bylaws of The New York Physical Therapy Association, Article VII, Officers, Board of Directors & Executive Committee, Section 4. Board of Directors, A. Composition by striking and inserting as follows:</p> <p>The Officers, and Directors, Directors, and PTA Caucus Representative shall constitute the Chapter Board of Directors, hereinafter referred to as the Board.</p> <p>If adopted, would read:</p> <p>The Officers, Directors and PTA Caucus Representative shall constitute the Chapter Board of Directors, hereinafter referred to as the Board.</p> <p>Part B</p> <p>MOVED to amend the Bylaws of The New York Physical Therapy Association, Article VII, Officers, Board of Directors & Executive Committee, Section 4. Board of Directors, C. Meetings, 5. Voting Power of the Board of Directors, by adding a new letter c. as follows:</p> <p><i>c. The PTA Caucus Representative shall not have a vote.</i></p> <p>If adopted, would read:</p> <p>c. The PTA Caucus Representative shall not have a vote.</p> <p>Part C</p> <p>MOVED to amend the Bylaws of The New York Physical Therapy Association, Article X, Representative to the Physical Therapist Assistant Caucus (PTA</p>	<p>158 Yes 0 No Unanimous Approval</p>
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Caucus), Section 3. Duties of Representative, by adding a new letter C as follows:

C. To serve as a non-voting member of the Board.

If adopted, will read:

C. To serve as a non-voting member of the Board.

RATIONALE: The PTA Caucus Representative serves as a crucial point of contact for the physical therapist assistant members in the New York Chapter as well as providing the Chapter Delegation to the House of Delegates with the physical therapist assistant’s perspective on issues before the House.

The PTA Caucus Representative is required to meet with the PTA Caucus monthly via conference call to stay on top of issues related to the PTA, and attend PTA Caucus meetings, the House of Delegates held annually in June, and other PTA and governance related meetings as able. Thus, they can comment and share the perspective of PTAs across the nation and within the Chapter with the Board of Directors to aid in continual progression and growth of the Chapter.

Motion F-19-7 was passed at last year’s Winter Board of Directors meeting, and updated the PTA Caucus Representative job description to include participation in Board of Directors meetings, and allowed for funding for this individual to attend these meetings. Therefore, it is appropriate to formally acknowledge the PTA Caucus Representative’s role as being an official member of the Board of Directors.

Our physical therapist assistant colleagues are vital to the physical therapy profession; by adding a PTA voice to our Chapter Board of Directors, we are promoting inclusiveness and collaboration, making our profession stronger and more unified.

	<p>GOAL/OBJECTIVE: Goal 4; Obj. 3 FISCAL IMPACT: None TARGET DATE: Immediate</p>	
<p>JC 6-21 (Conforming Amendments)</p>	<p>PART A</p> <p>MOVED to amend the Bylaws of The New York Physical Therapy Association, Article VIII, Committees, Section 1, Committees of the Chapter, C. Ethics Committee by striking in it entirety as follows:</p> <p>C. Ethics Committee</p> <p>1. Composition: This committee shall consist of three members appointed by the Executive Committee.</p> <p>2. Qualifications: Only Physical Therapist members in good standing who have been members of the Chapter for at least two years may serve on this committee.</p> <p>3. Duties: To participate in the investigation of the Code of Ethics.</p> <p>4. Term: Members shall be appointed for a term of three years.</p> <p>5. The chairman shall be appointed by the Executive Committee</p> <p>Current letter D will be re-lettered to C.</p> <p>Proviso: This amendment will not go into effect if the 2021 APTA HOD reinstates the mandate for a Chapter Ethics Committee.</p> <p>PART B</p> <p>MOVED to amend the Bylaws of The New York Physical Therapy Association, Article VII, Officer, Board of Directors & Executive Committee, Section 1. Officers and Directors, 3. B. Vice-President, 6. By striking as follows:</p> <p>6. Act as ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee, Finance Committee Ethics Committee and the Judicial/Reference Committee.</p>	<p>158 Yes 0 No Unanimous Approval</p>

If adopted, will read:

6. Act as ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee, Finance Committee and the Judicial Reference Committee.

PART C

MOVED to amend the Bylaws of The New York Physical Therapy Association, Article VII, Officer, Board of Directors & Executive Committee, Section 4. Board of Directors, B. Duties of the Board, 5, by striking as follows:

5. Create standing committees, special committees, and task forces and direct the activities of all committees and task forces except the Nominating Committee ~~and Ethics Committee.~~

If adopted, will read:

5. Create standing committees, special committees, and task forces and direct the activities of all committees and task forces except the Nominating Committee.

RATIONALE: When the previous APTA Parliamentarian reviewed the Chapter Bylaws, he pointed out that APTA no longer requires Chapters to have Ethics Committees.

From: **DISCIPLINARY ACTION PROCEDURAL DOCUMENT BOD R03-16-02-02 Processing at Chapter and Association Levels; 6. OTHER COMPLAINTS – APPROPRIATE PROCESSING**

“b. If the EJC determines that it is appropriate to begin the processing of the case at the Chapter level, then the EJC will direct the President of the member’s Chapter to appoint a panel (Ethics Panel) with at least three members to

	<p>investigate the allegations of the complaint. The President shall notify the EJC of the identity of the Ethics Panel members and of the Panel’s Chair.</p> <p>The Ethics Panel shall investigate the allegations of the complaint as directed by the EJC’s Chair.</p> <p>The Ethics Panel will make a decision based on the information available to it, to dismiss the charges or to recommend to the EJC that it impose a form of discipline described in Section 7.”</p> <p>GOAL/OBJECTIVE: Goal 4, Obj. 4 FISCAL IMPACT: None TARGET DATE: Upon APTA Final Approval</p>	
JC 7-21	<p>MOVED to amend the Bylaws of The New York Physical Therapy Association, Article IX, Delegates to the Association House of Delegates, Section 2, Election and Term, E. by striking and inserting as follows:</p> <p>E. The term of office for all Chapter Delegates shall begin in the year of the election/selection on the date of submission of Chapter Delegate roster for the following year that the APTA Delegate Roster Submission Site opens and shall end upon opening of the APTA Delegate Roster Submission Site the following year.</p> <p>If adopted, will read:</p> <p>E. The term of office for all Chapter Delegates shall begin in the year of the election/selection on the date that the APTA Delegate Roster Submission Site opens and shall end upon opening of the APTA Delegate Roster Submission Site the following year.</p> <p>GOAL/OBJECTIVE: Goal 4, Obj. 2 FISCAL IMPACT: None</p>	<p>158 Yes 0 No Unanimous Approval</p>

	TARGET DATE: Upon approval of APTA	
Generative Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="512 277 1570 386">➤ APTA Bylaws Amendment Discussion-a special committee on bylaws has been appointed. Videos are available on the APTA website for Delegates to review. <li data-bbox="512 435 1549 626">➤ APTA House of Delegates Motions- the Chief Delegate highlighted some on the HOD motions that will be brought to the delegation at the Special DA meeting on July 24th. One RC Motion concept discussed by New York is how to limit “Year Round Governance” and make it more meaningful and effective. <li data-bbox="512 675 1562 948">➤ Biographical Information for Chapter Delegate Self-nominating to APTA House of Delegates- there is often inconsistency in the information provided to the delegation from the Chapter Delegates to the HOD in their bios. Encouraged districts to discuss what is important regarding qualifications of the delegates. Delegates agreed that there should be diversity in experiences, backgrounds and practice settings. Perhaps a template may help Chapter Delegates frame their bios. <li data-bbox="512 997 1535 1105">➤ Impact of COVID and discussion of PTs/PTAs as the best providers of patients with “long COVID”. The New York and New Jersey Chapters are collaborating on a joint statement. <li data-bbox="512 1154 1528 1305">➤ PT burnout- held a robust discussion on the frustrations of clinicians and academicians which has been exasperated by the pandemic. Members offered information on seminars, courses and employee assistance programs to assist members. Continued discussion is necessary. 	

Report of
Elections

Treasurer:
Michael Huson PT, DPT

Secretary:
Debra Engel PT, DPT

Chief Delegate:
Roger Herr PT, MPA

Nominating Committee:
Theresa Marko PT, DPT

Delegates to the HOD 2021: (in alphabetical order)

Jeremy Crow
James Dunleavy
Michael Huson
Nanette Hyland
Theresa Marko
Michael Mattia
Jacob McPherson
Marilyn Moffat
Kaitlyn Parrotte
Lynn Rivers
Genevieve Smith
Rosa Torres- Panchame

Alternates to HOD (in ranking order)

Adam Rufa
Mark Amir
Bronte' Cardenas

	<p>Audrey Paslow Vicki LaFey Brittany Simpson Sushant Abrol Mary Libutti Anna len Kyle Adams Soujaniya Konada</p> <p>Representative to the 2022 and 2023 PTA Caucus Tracy Hardes, PTA</p>	
<p>Installation of Officers & Chapter Directors</p>	<p>Installation of : Treasurer, Secretary, Chief Delegate and Member of the Nominating Committee</p> <p>Installation of Chapter Directors who were recently elected:</p> <p>Adam Rufa- Central, Audrey Paslow - Eastern and Nanette Hyland- Hudson Valley</p>	
<p>Awards</p>	<p>Kathy Birnbaum, Chair of the Awards Committee announced the following awards:</p> <p>Dr. Marilyn Moffat Distinguished Service Award: Roger Herr JJ Mowder-Tinney</p> <p>Merit Award: Carrie Gatlin-Fuller</p> <p>Doreen Frank Legislative Award:</p>	

Adam Rufa

Public Relations Award:

Tracy Sawyer

PT of the Year Award:

Sinju Thomas

Golden Goniometer Award:

Eastern District

Outstanding Service to District Awards:

BSI: Paul Nasri

Catskill: MaryEllen Monteiro

Central: Amy Deblois

GNY: Rosa Torres-Panchame

Hudson Valley: Gale Lavinder

Long Island: Rick Schwartz

Western: Julie Wolfley

Student Participation Awards:

Jessica Velez- NYIT

Elizabeth Healy- Hunter College

Breanna Hacia- State University of NY at Canton

Rebecca Maracich- Ithaca College

James Nowak- Utica College

Mikkala Todd – SUNY Broome

Dylan Lodowski- Daemen College

Zachary Wixom- Herkimer College

Angelene Dimaano- University of Buffalo

	<p>Minority Affairs Student Award: Angelene Dimaano- University Of Buffalo</p> <p>Minority Affairs Student Future Leader Award: Michaela Joseph- Ithaca College</p> <p>The following Awards and Certificates of Appreciation were not formally announced but awarded:</p> <p>Certificates of Appreciation: Elizabeth Barbaretti, Membership Committee Ayse Edeer, Research Committee Kathleen Birnbaum, Awards Committee Audrey Paslow, Leadership Committee</p> <p>The BOD Thanks you for your Service</p>	
<p>Good and Welfare</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Recognition of all new delegates ➤ PAC Chair announced that a total of \$6,495 was raised by the District Challenge ➤ Marilyn Moffat shared her telephone number to contact her for donations to the Foundation for Physical Therapy Research ➤ Marketing and Engagement Chair announced information on the upcoming District Trivia Competition in celebration of the APTA Centennial. ➤ Delegates are encouraged to rank the NYPTA Objectives- 2020-2024 Strategic Plan found in the DA packet and send them to the Chapter Office. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Speaker thanked all of the Delegates, the Officers of the Delegate Assembly, the Chapter office staff, the outgoing Officers, the Committee to approve the minutes, the Student Delegates, our Parliamentarian Ann Homer and special guests. 	
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 4:05pm	

Respectfully submitted,
Debra Engel, PT, DPT, MS
NYPTA Secretary