**Date approved: 09-21-2015**

**American Massage Therapy Association - Georgia Chapter**

**Teleconference Meeting**

**July 20, 2015**

**7:30PM**

*Present*:

VOTING: Cindy Farrar, Sharon Remaly, Lisa Aspy, Linda Christie, Laurie Pratt

NON-VOTING: Judy LeFave, C.J. Lowe

OTHER:

*Absent*: Ben Glosson, Kathy Grow, Vivian Davis

Called to order: 7:34pm

Welcome: Cindy Farrar

Roll Call: Linda Christie; established quorum

Agenda; approved as written.

Minutes from last meeting, June 22, 2015; approved as written.

Treasurer’s Report; will review June and July numbers to assure CPC expenses are in the correct month. Decision regarding investments will be tabled until August when our accounting transitions to National.

**Officers’ Reports (sent earlier):**

President Cindy Farrar

1st Vice President Sharon Remaly

2nd Vice President Vivian Davis

3rd Vice President Lisa Aspy

Secretary Linda Christie

Treasurer Laurie Pratt

Membership Secretary Kathy Grow

# Committee Reports (sent earlier):

Meeting Planning & Delegate: Lisa Aspy

Outreach & Delegate: Ben Glosson

Alternate Delegate: Judy LeFave

Awards: C.J. Lowe

**Unfinished Business**

Laurie sent three or four leads for advertising to Stephanie Jackson for the August newsletter. Income from the June class was approximately $700 profit after total income less applicable expenses. Cindy updated about “Building Block” for donations to MTF collected from members. We have not had a meeting since she received the bank.

There were 14 students on Saturday and 12 students on Sunday; there were 10 on Monday at the individual salon. Sharon Bryant, 1st VP in Alabama, attended and is encouraging others from her chapter to visit us for continuing education. Cindy asked for suggestions for local continuing education providers. CJ Lowe teaches a couple of classes and Ben Glosson is listed under Nathan Nordstrom’s organization. Consensus is Cindy will approach Ben about teaching in June 2016.

October 2015 class is set to go at Miller-Motte Technical College in Augusta. The space would accommodate 24 students easily but 30 would be a tight fit. They have approximately 10 tables; will list “bring your own table” for students who enroll. We are promoting the class and the school is thrilled to have us present a class there.

The membership meeting 8/1 is in Sandy Springs at Gwinnett College. They are excited to have us use the venue for a meeting. They have Lilburn and Marietta locations; all three are open for use even though Marietta does not have a massage program. There is a chance that Craig Knowles and other members of the board may attend our meeting.

The Georgia Board of Massage Therapy has received a number of letters regarding the proposal for CE Broker. The board members’ attendance may color the discussion regarding GR that could affect its involvement in the law. We have three hours for the meeting; Cindy anticipates 10:00 to noon for the meeting and 12:00 to 1:00 lunch and networking. The people who are interested in volunteering with GR should receive invitations to the meeting.

The leadership training is on Wednesday morning and the HOD is Wednesday evening at the National Convention. Cindy asked for interest in dinner for Georgia chapter attendees. Thursday morning is the keynote speaker, business meeting and awards. Cindy sent information from the chapter that we may receive awards. Sharon and Laurie will be attending CVOP Monday and Tuesday morning. She requested each person let her know how long we will be in Pittsburgh. There will be no conference call in August.

Cindy thanked Linda for obtaining the Proclamation from Mayor Davis in Augusta. Mayor Davis also knows Mayor Bodker from Johns Creek and is interested in a model ordinance. Cindy suggests sending Proclamation requests to more counties and cities; Sharon requests forwarding information to Stan and Helen before broaching Governor Deal with a state level Proclamation. She asked Linda to be the point person to organize letters; email to Cindy or BOD contact to sign and mail.

Cindy asked the BOD if there should be a particular stance regarding the board’s proposal on CE Broker. Judy suggested waiting until the membership meeting to get the member’s input. Cindy wanted the BOD member’s opinions to find out if we want to be put onto the Georgia Board of Massage Therapy’s agenda to be able to ask questions or provide input to the issue. Sharon said she thinks the board should pick its battles in order to have a bigger impact on those that are of more concern in general.

**New Business**

None at this time.

**Announcements**

August 10 from 1:30 to 3:00pm Miller-Motte is having a business class. Cindy promised that she would be present in order to represent at that time. All others in the Atlanta area are invited to ride with her; Linda and Laurie are also invited because they are located in Augusta; could join before hand for lunch together.

**Next meeting will be** September 21, 2015

**Meeting adjourned** at 8:49pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Christie, Chapter Secretary