

World Federation of Athletic Training and Therapy

ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING

September 23, 2021

4:00 PM CT

Videoconference

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Agenda

- **Call to Order**
 - **This session will be recorded and uploaded to the WFATT website within the next week.**
- Establishment of quorum (voting delegates)
- Welcome, Introductions

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Voting Delegates

World Federation of Athletic Training and Therapy Voters list		Present
Organization	Voting Member	
Armed Forces Athletic Trainers Society (AFATS)	James Willoughby	
Athletic Rehabilitation Therapy Ireland (ARTI)	Enda Whyte	X
Canadian Athletic Therapists Association (CATA)	Melanie Levac	X
British Association of Sport Rehabilitators (BASRAT)	Steve Aspinall	X
Japan Athletic Trainers Organization (JATO)	Daisuke Uematsu	X
Japan Sports Association (JSPO)	Chinami Sugiyama	X
National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA)	Kathy Dieringer	X
Professional Baseball Athletic Trainers Society (PBATS)	Rick Griffin	
Republic of Korean Athletic Trainers' Association (R- KATA)	Yohan Bae	
Taiwan Athletics Trainers' Society (TATS)	Heng-Ju Lee	

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Board of Directors 2020-21

Member Name	Member Organization	Start	End
Allen Willoughby	Armed Forces Athletic Trainers Society (AFATS)	2020	2022
Siobhan O'Connor	Athletic Rehabilitation Therapy Ireland (ARTI)	2019	2021
Jennifer Martins	Canadian Athletic Therapists Association (CATA)	2020	2022
Steve Aspinall	British Association of Sport Rehabilitators and Trainers (BASRaT)	2019	2021
Daisuke Uematsu	Japan Athletic Trainers Organization (JATO)	2019	2021
Chinami Sugiyama	Japan Sports Association (JSPO)	2020	2022
Brian Zeller	National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA)	2020	2022
Mark O'Neal	Professional Baseball Athletic Trainers Society (PBATS)	2019	2021
Yohan Bae	Republic of Korea Athletic Trainers' Association (R-KATA)	2019	2021
Heng-Ju Lee	Taiwan Athletics Trainers' Society (TATS)	2020	2022

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Executive Committee

- Past President – Dr. Larry Leverenz (NATA)
- President- Dr. Glen Bergeron (CATA)

- Vice Presidents:
 - Dr. Siobhan O'Connor (ARTI)
 - Dr. Brian Zeller (NATA)
 - Jennifer Martins (CATA)
 - Dr. Daisuke Uematsu (JATO)

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1. Call to Order
2. Welcome, Introductions
3. Establishment of quorum (Charter voting delegates)
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of Previous Minutes (September 24, 2020)
6. President's Report
7. Business Arising from Previous Minutes
8. New Business
 - I. Financial Report (J. Milgram)
 - II. Appointment of Auditor
 - III. Election of Directors
 - IV. Election of Officers (Siobhan O'Connor)
 - V. International Arrangement Presentation. (Rusty McKune/Shannon Fleming)
 - VI. 2022 World Congress (Peter Dewar/Melanie Levac)
 - VII. 2023 World Congress (Peter Dewar)
9. Adjournment

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Approval of Agenda

Be it so moved that the agenda be accepted

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Carried

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Approval of Previous Minutes

Be it so moved that the Previous minutes of September 24, 2020 be accepted as circulated.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Carried

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President's Report

- Membership includes:
 - 10 Voting Members (10)
 - 23 Academic Institutions (-4)
 - 4 Associate Members (3)
 - 2 Allied Health Professions Members (2)
- 39 members, 13 countries, 5 continents

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President's report

Vision Statement

- *Athletic Training & Therapy is an integral member of the international healthcare community. (2020)*

Mission Statement

- *Provide leadership, cultivate collaboration, champion the Athletic Training and Therapy profession globally and contribute to a healthier world. (2020)*

Values

- **Passion – Diversity – Integrity – Collaboration – Leadership**

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Strategic Goals

1. Promote Athletic Training and Therapy globally
2. Disseminate Knowledge and Skills
3. Engage WFATT membership
4. Facilitate collaboration
5. Optimize organizational effectiveness
6. Nurture our Social Consciousness

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WFATT Mandate and Purpose

- This document was created to give some direction and context for the Federation
- [WFATT Purpose and Mandate](#)

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What has been accomplished

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Marketing and Promotion Committee

- Jacob Resch - USA (Co-Chair)
- Samuel Walton - USA (Co-Chair)
- Pete Dewar - USA – Webmaster
- Kelly Marchuk – Canada
- Oliver Coburn – United Kingdom
- Eva Frank - USA (on leave)

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M&PC: List of Activities and Accomplishments:

- Keep the WFATT website relevant and up to date
- Recruiting and producing a Highlight section of the website which highlights an Association, institution and individual on a rotating basis.
 - [Dublin City University](#)
- Promoting our webinars, podcasts and journal clubs through our social media
- Working on a Diversity photo library
- Working on plans for an international Athletic Training and Therapy Day
- Sponsor the Journal Club and Podcasts
- Work with Education and Research committee to offer Webinars

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Social Media by the Numbers

2019-20 Numbers:

- 2,027 followers on Facebook
- 928 followers on Twitter
- 508 followers on Instagram
- 131 followers on LinkedIn
- 88 countries have visited our website

2020-21 Numbers:

- 2,274 Facebook (+247 or 11.9%)
- 1234 Twitter (+295 or 24%)
- 756 Instagram (+248 or 33%)
- 261 LinkedIn (+130 or 50%)
- 121 Countries have visited our website

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Academic Institutions Committee

- Oliver Blenkinsop (Chair) – (UK)
- Anthony Breitbach – (USA)
- Valerie Herzog – (USA)
- Scott Lawrence – (USA)
- Ella Been – (Israel)
- Siobhan O'Connor (Ireland)- Executive Liaison
- Brian Zeller (USA)- Executive Liaison

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AIC: List of Activities and Accomplishments:

- Expand number of member institutions
- Assisted in marketing efforts
- Maintain Academic Institutions Facebook page to enhance collaboration and communication
- Reviewing Academic Institutions Membership criteria
- Develop exchange programs between member institutions next year

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Education and Research Committee

- Colin King (Chair) - Canada
- Hideyuki Izumi (Vice Chair) - Japan
- Sentaro Koshida - Japan
- Stavros Daoukas- Greece
- Aoife Burke - Ireland
- David Carr - USA
- Larry Leverenz (WFATT Executive Liaison)

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ERC: List of Activities and Accomplishments:

- Completed review of WFATT Academic Program Development Guidelines
- Planning the 2022 Academic Summit (Virtual)
- Working with the 2022 World Congress regarding poster sessions

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World Congress Committee

- Newly created committee
- Peter Dewar (Chair)
- Works in close contact with the Canadian Athletic Therapists Association and the Manitoba Athletic Therapists Association as the 2022 Host Societies
- Sent out a call for applications for 2023 World Congress
- Currently working to formalize an agreement for the 2023 World Congress
- Soon to start working on the 2025 World Congress

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International Development Committee

- This is our most recently established committee
 - First meeting scheduled for September 27th
- Cathy Ortega (Chair) – USA
- Ella Been - Israel
- Navnita Gautam - India
- Angel Ginorio - Puerto Rico
- Marco Manca - Switzerland
- Jared Maisel- Belgium

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International Development Committee

- **Advisory Committee**

- Stephen Aspinall – UK
- Hideyuki “E” Izumi - Japan
- Mike Ferrara -USA
- Larry Leverenz -USA
- Ed Ryan -USA
- Kathleen Stroia -USA

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WFATT Sponsorship Committee

- The terms of reference for this committee have been approved
- A call for volunteers has been circulated
- Interested applications have yet to be received

- In the absence of a committee, the executive committee will continue to work on this portfolio

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What has been accomplished

New Members

Associate members:

- **Israel Sport Therapy Association**
- **Panhellenic Association of Sports Therapy & Rehabilitation**
- Allied Health Members:
- **Biokinetics Association of South Africa**
- **Canadian Sport Massage Therapists Association**

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Continental Strategic Initiatives

- **EU Strategic Initiative**
 - Steve Aspinall (UK)
 - Siobhan O'Connor (Ireland)
 - Stavros Daoukas
 - Marco Manco

- **Asian Strategic Initiative**
 - Daisuke Uematsu
 - Yohan-Bae
 - Chinami Sugiyama

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Renewed Sponsorship with Mueller Sports Medicine

- We are very pleased to have renewed our relationship with Mueller Sports Medicine as the Official Sponsor to the World Federation of Athletic Training and Therapy.
- Mr. Brett Mueller has renewed his commitment to mobilize Mueller's resources to help us with corporate sponsorship in other areas.
- The WFATT has a Corporate Sponsorship package in place waiting to be released at the most appropriate time following COVID-19

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International Webinars

- **23 September 2020**

- *Perceived Job Satisfaction and Interprofessional Collaboration in International Sports Science and Sports Medicine. Dr. Anthony Breitbach and Dr. Gert Ulrich*

- **18 November 2020**

- *Primary Physical Stress Injuries in Young Athletes* Dr. Dennis Caine Prof Emeritus University of North Dakota

- **7 January 2021**

- *2020: Lessons Learned in Academia (COVID-19)*
- Oliver Blenkinsop - St. Mary's University (London)
- Clare Deary - London South Bank University
- Matthew Donahue - Weber State University

- **3 February 2021**

- Interdisciplinary approach and implementation of the biopsychosocial model in Sport and Exercise Medicine
 - Stavros Daoukas - London South Bank University
 - Dr. Theodora (Dora) Papadopoulou - UK Defence Medical Rehabilitation Centre

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International Webinars

- **17 March 2021**

- Hamstring injuries and return-to-play following Anterior Cruciate Ligament Repair (ACLR)
 - Stavros Daoukas - London South Bank University
 - Dr. Mourad Ghrairi MD-FIFA Chief Medical Officer (CMO)
 - Dr. Nikos G. Malliaropoulos MD -Queen Mary University of London

- **23 September 2021**

- 2021: AT's and Paralympians
 - Glen Bergeron – University of Winnipeg
 - Oliver Coburn - BASRaT
 - Bryanna Howard – University of Utah
 - Jessica Tidswell – University of Utah
 - Marnie McRoberts – Team Canada Wheelchair Rugby
 - Mike Whitehead - Team Canada Wheelchair Rugby

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Podcasts

9 July 2021

Diversity in Athletic Training and Therapy

Host: James Gardner – FIRST STAR – Let's chAT

- *Nikki Antonopoulos*, Head Athletic Therapist, Royal Military College
- *Cheryl Mann*, Winnipeg Transit - Human Resources, Return to Work/Disability Management Program
- *Paul Papoutsakia*, Head Athletic Therapist, National Ballet of Canada
- *Flo Thezard*, Manitoba Blue Cross Disability Care Manager
- *Diana Settles*, Human Performance Manager for U.S. Navy and Marine Corps

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Questions?



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Financial Report

- Be it so moved that the 2020-21 financial statement be adopted as circulated.

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Seconded by:

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Be it so moved that Milgram and Milgram be retained as accountant for 2021-2122

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Election of Directors

- Be it so moved that the following individuals be approved as members of the Board for a two-year term:

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Siobhan O'Connor	Athletic Rehabilitation Therapy Ireland (ARTI)
Steve Aspinall	British Association of Sport Rehabilitators (BASRaT)
Daisuke Uematsu	Japan Athletic Trainers Organization (JATO)
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Election of Officers (two positions)

Be it so moved that Jennifer Martins and Daisuke Uematsu be elected as Vice Presidents on the executive committee for a two-year term:

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Seconded by:

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Election of President

Chaired by: Siobhan O'Connor

- Nominees:
- Dr. Glen Bergeron - Canada
- Dr. Brian Zeller- USA

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New Business: International Arrangement



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New Business:

2022 World Congress

Peter Dewar-Chair of WFATT World Congress
Committee

Melanie Levac-Executive Director
Canadian Athletic Therapists Association

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New Business:

2023 World Congress

Peter Dewar-Chair of WFATT World
Congress Committee

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Adjournment

Be it so moved that the 2020-21 Annual Members' Meeting be adjourned.

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