



HOME HEALTH ACADEMY ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES: 02/14/2025

1. Call to order: 6:30 pm Central time (Houston, TX)

2. Board Member Introductions by Phil Goldsmith:

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| a. President: Phil Goldsmith | j. Practice Comm: Denise Wagner |
| b. Vice President: Matt Janes | k. Research Comm: Tracey Collins |
| c. Treasurer: Erin Pazour | l. ACHH: Chris Childers |
| d. Secretary: Linda Teodosio | m. Government Affairs Comm: Eva Norman |
| e. Nominating Comm: Rebecca Williams | n. PTA Council Rep: Silke Mildemberger |
| f. Membership Comm: Lauren Susco, Julie Colaw | o. OASIS E: Tim Dunn |
| g. Education/Programming Comm: Nikki Gilroy | p. Student Council Rep: OPEN |
| h. Podcast: Chris Chimenti | q. Executive Director: Don Knox |
| i. Public Relations Comm: Stacey Fisher | r. Deputy Director: Matt Hansen |
| j. Publications Comm: Kristin McCormack | Absent members (highlighted) |

3. Introductions by Phil Goldsmith, President

Presentations from APTA:

- a. Meghan Hennessy representing PTPAC explained and encouraged support for the PTPAC
- b. Eva Norman represented the Foundation for PT Research – funding grants, post-doctoral fellowships, and doctoral scholarships for the past 45 years. New grant for Health services and implementation science. Welcomed all members to visit their booth #2125.

4. Consent Agenda & Approval of meeting minutes from Home Health 2024 Business Meeting

- i. Motion to approve – Monique Caruth, (Maryland)
- ii. 2nd – Tracie Collins (Pennsylvania)
- iii. Minutes approved unanimously

5. Treasurer Report presented by Erin Pazour, Treasurer

- a. Total assets #385,798.90
- b. Reserve Funds
- c. Requested any questions or suggestions from the members. None received, and treasurer's report accepted.

6. Home Health Awards presented by Phil Goldsmith:

- a. President's Award - Dawn Greaves, PT, DPT, Aegis Therapies, former Editor of the Home Health Quarterly Report
- b. Carol Zehnacker Friend of APTA Home Health Award - Justin Elliott, VP of Government Affairs, APTA, Alexandria, Va.
- c. Excellence In Home Health Leadership Award - Jeff Scott, PT, DPT, GCS, Evergreen Health, Seattle, Washington
- d. Emerging Leader in Home Health Award- Cyrus Brown, PT, DPT, Children's National Hospital, Washington, DC
- e. Preceptor Award - Melissa Schmidt, PT, Continuum Home Health Care, Charlottesville, VA

7. Discussions ensued:

- a. ACHH
- b. Basic Guide to HH April 5-6, 2025 for students, entry level professionals, and PTs entering the Home Health arena
- c. OASIS Training
- d. Podcast by Chris Chimenti, season 2 starting
- e. 4th edition of the Guide to Physical Therapy Practice in the Home
- f. 2nd Edition of the Tool Box – free copies to members at the booth
- g. Open committee positions discussed

8. Member Feedback:

- a. What can we do to engage other members and make space for the next generation?
 - i. One member gives intro. to HH to his local PT School. Could we create a standardized presentation to engage more members to visit their local PT programs.
 - ii. Suggestions to make relationships with other components like Education, Geriatrics
 - iii. Organic Growth opportunities – recommending collaborations with Cardio-Pulm, Private Practice, Acute Care, etc.
 - iv. Each member present had the opportunity to advocate for Home Health.
 - v. Pro bono mobile home health and involve students through a free clinic concept.
- b. How can we promote a mentor program? Can each member reach out to a current student member and offer mentorship, guidance, etc. ? How can we turn this into a profit?

9. Adjournment: 8:25 pm CT

Respectfully submitted, Linda Teodosio, PT, DPT, COS-C, DSc (Secretary, Home Health, an Academy of the APTA)