

**Arkansas State Board of
Athletic Training
October 16, 2003**

Members Present: Ron Carroll, Chairman, Randy Harriman, Michael Johnson, Terry DeWitt.

Non-members Present: Warren Readnour, Alice Ryan, Nancy Worthen

Meeting called to order 8:30 am

Minutes:

Minutes from May 15, 2003 meeting:

Amendment to the minutes:

Change Worthey to Worthen.

Accept minutes as amended.

Motion made by Terry DeWitt.

Seconded by Randy Harriman.

Vote: 4-0

Financial Report:

Checking/Savings: \$48,044.34

Treasury Money Marker: \$25,994.70

Total Assets: **\$74,039.04**

Motion to accept Financial Reports made by Randy Harriman.

Seconded by Terry DeWitt.

Vote 4-0

The recommendation was made by Alice Ryan to transfer funds from the Regions checking account to the Treasury Money Market Account.

Motion to move \$36,000.00 made by Michael Johnson.

Seconded by Randy Harriman.

Vote 4-0

Administrative Report

132 Athletic Trainers

2 temporary permits

Old Business

Haynes v Spain:

Jim Spain's school was contacted and he is not working or being advertised as an athletic trainer according to Todd Ledford, Head Coach of the school. No further complaints have been heard regarding Mr. Spain.

UAM Athletic Trainers:

Daryl Kendrick and Shelly Emfinger signed their consent agreement and paid their fine in full. Closed.

Heather Levering

Fine paid in full. Closed.

Website:

The website has been up for about two months. Forms, etc. can now be downloaded from the website at www.aratb.org.

NATABOC Meeting

Ron Carroll and Alice Ryan attended the NATABOC meeting. Ron was inducted into the Athletic Trainers Hall of Fame. He was the first Arkansan to receive this award.

New Business

Robert and Kim Humphries:

The Board received a letter from Robert and Kim Humphries complaining of the physical education that is being taught by the P.E. Coach, Mr. Barrett, at Forest Heights Elementary School. This complaint is not in the jurisdiction of the Athletic Training Board and is dismissed.

A letter will be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Humphries.

Motion made: Terry DeWitt

Seconded: Michael Johnson

Vote 4-0

Jeff Haynes was contacted by phone and joined the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Wayne Perryman:

A letter was received from Sherry Riggins stating Wayne Perryman is presenting himself as employed by the University of Arkansas at Fort Smith as an athletic trainer per her phone conversation with the Athletic Director, Mr. Harpenau. She also stated he was previously employed by Sparks Hospital as an athletic trainer for the University of Arkansas of Fort Smith from September 2003 until May 2003. A letter was sent to Mr. Perryman on September 24 requesting a response to this complaint. A response was received from Mr. Perryman. He states he was hired as an athletic trainer by the

University of Arkansas at Forth Smith on August 17th of 2003. He has applied for a temporary permit and also states he has applied with NATABOC to take the certification exam February 8th in Dallas. A NATABOC Verification Form and a Physicians Direction Form is still needed before his temporary permit can be issued.

A cease and desist letter will be sent to Mr. Perryman and he will also be asked to provide his employment history and job descriptions.

Motion made: Michael Johnson
Seconded: Terry DeWitt
5-0

Non-credentialed non-licensed individuals:

Ron Carroll raised the question of fines against non-credentialed non-licensed individuals as opposed to credentialed non-licensed individuals. The discussion was tabled.

Jim West:

A complaint was received from Sherry Riggins against Jim West for practicing as an Athletic Trainer for the last three years without a license. She also sent an article from the Northwest Arkansas Times that refers to Jim West as the Bentonville High School trainer. Jeff Haynes called the school and asked the name of the Athletic Trainer. He was told Jim West is the Athletic Trainer and is on staff at the school. A letter was sent to Mr. West requesting a response to the complaint. Mr. West responded to the letter. He states he has been employed by the Bentonville School District since August of 2001. During the 2001-02 school year he worked under the auspices of an Athletic Trainer and was paid so. During the 2002-03 school year his salary was reduced and he was paid as an athletic manager after the Executive Director of Personnel was made aware of Arkansas Code Ann. 17-93-402.

Three Athletic Trainers, Trevor Carter, Tim Lindsey and Kristi Taylor, will be contacted. The school will be contacted to obtain Mr. West's contract from 01-02 and now 02-03. Mr. West will be contacted for a more detailed explanation of job description from 01-02 and 02-03.

Motion made: Terry DeWitt
Seconded: Randy Harriman
Vote 5-0

Marion High School:

A letter was received from Matt Comeau, AT who lives in Jonesboro. On October 6 the Marion High School Newspaper was delivered as an insert in the West Memphis Evening Times to households in the city of Marion. In the Sports section there was a reference made to the trainer but he did not get his name. Mr. Comeau has seen him at the Marion High School football games.

Marion High School will be contacted to request the name of their Athletic Trainer.

First Responders/Students:

The Board will research the definition of a first responder nationally to come up with a standard of what a first responder is and use that standard for cases of people practicing without a license. Several suggestions were made to educate the high schools on the laws of Athletic Training. Suggestions included sending a letter to the high schools, contacting Triple A, setting up a booth in the rotunda if the Governor holds a special session on education and working with the Department of Education. Research will be done and the subject discussed further at the next meeting.

The question was asked when a person is actually licensed. An individual is not licensed until all documents are received and a license number is issued.

Motion made to adjourn: Terry DeWitt

Second: Jeff Haynes

Vote: 4-0 (Michael Johnson left before adjournment)

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

The next meeting will be December 9th, 2003 at 8:15 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Worthen
Assistant Director