



Spring 2018

Voice of the Lakes

Letter from the President

Happy spring, GLR Members!

It's hard to believe that more than a month has passed since the GLR Conference! It was great to see so many of you in Ypsilanti! Big thanks to local co-chairs Kellee Hansen, Laurel Rosen-Weatherford, and Bernadette Skodack for a successful conference! Congratulations to this year's award winners, Deb and Kevin Kuptz (Service), Todd Schwartzberg (Scholarly Activity), and Dr. Deforia Lane (Honorary Life). Your contributions to the field are great appreciated! Congratulations and thank you to all of the presenters for sharing your knowledge! Hopefully it was a weekend of renewal and rejuvenation for all who attended!

Prior to the start of conference, the GLR Executive Committee focused on strategic planning, and reviewing our mission and vision statements. It was a productive morning! We have plans for a member survey and hope to identify new initiatives! The Executive Committee welcomed new state representatives Michelle Sieben (MN), Deborah Soszko (IL), and Hanna Uchtyl (WI) at this conference. I'd also like to thank Lindsey Doty (OH) and Kellee Hansen (MI) for their service, as they have completed their terms.

Thanks to those who attended the MLE Town Hall or viewed it via Facebook Live. The AMTA Board of Directors is very interested in member feedback as they consider how to move forward with the MLE Subcommittee's Final Report. If you were unable to attend conference and would like to respond to the question posed to those in attendance at the town hall, "What additional considerations would you like the Board to consider before the Board makes a decision on the MLE Final Report?", please email your question or comment to me at the address below and it will be forwarded on to the Board of Directors.

If you seek an opportunity to serve the region, there are two great ones available! The position of GLR Representative to the AMTA Judicial Review Board remains vacant and the AMTA Scholarship Committee seeks reviewers. If you have questions about either of these roles or are interested in serving, please don't hesitate to email.

Please take time to read the reports of the elected and appointed officers and committee representatives. While the reports only scratch the surface of the hard work these volunteers undertake, they keep the regional and national organizations moving forward on our behalf.

Thank you for taking a moment to find out what is happening within our region. If you have questions, suggestions, or concerns please feel free to contact me. I welcome your engagement through your input and feedback! I can be reached at GLRAMTAPresident@gmail.com or 330-858-3366.

Warmly,

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Executive Committee Reports

President's Report - Debbie Bates

Goals:

- To continue with Strategic Planning process
- To streamline conference planning
- To streamline VOL

President's Work:

- Preside at Strategic Planning meeting and GLR Executive Committee and General Business meetings
 - Developed agendas for Strategic Planning, Executive Board and General Business meetings
- Communicated with AMTA President, Executive Committee, standing committee representatives, and Assembly Delegates in preparation for conference
- Participated in calls and emails among Regional Presidents related to MLE Town Hall at Regional Conference, AMTA Executive Director Stakeholders Representative, and Ethics Board Statement on Harassment
 - Appointed Meganne Masko, PhD, MT-BC as GLR Representative to AMTA Executive Director Stakeholders Representative
- Assisted GLR Conference Co-Chairs, VP, and VP Elect with conference planning and coordination
- Facilitated Executive Committee business via email and conference calls
- Submitted President's Letter and reviewed *Voice of the Lakes* prior to publication
- Accepted resignation of Cindy Ropp from Judicial Review Board. Still seeking a representative for this position
- Responded to phone calls, emails, and texts regarding GLR business
- Coordinated recognition of 25+ year milestone anniversaries for academic, internships or clinical programs or state organizations

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Bates, MMT, MT-BC
President, GLR of AMTA



Past President's Report - Larisa McHugh

Elections for the 2019 GLR Offices will take place this summer. The Elected Officers will begin their term after the 2019 GLR conference and serve through the 2021 GLR Conference. Please be on the lookout for an email invitation to participate in the voting. The ballot will include bios of the nominees.

2019 Nominations for GLR Offices:

President Elect

Melaine Pohlman

Peter Meyer

VP Elect

Jennifer Whitlow

Kellee Coviak Hansen

Treasurer

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Secretary

Megan Brewer

Laurel Rosen-Weatherford

As a reminder, at the conclusion of the 2019 GLR Conference the current President Elect, Rebecca Barnard will become President and the current VP Elect, Edward Schwartzberg, will move into the role of Vice President.

I would also like to remind members of the Membership Support Fund. These funds are to assist members who are experiencing financial hardships with payment of AMTA dues or to support their continuing education opportunities. The application for the member support fund can be found on the website and at the end of this issue on pg. 29.

Respectfully submitted,

Larisa McHugh, MA, MT-BC
Immediate Past President, GLR of AMTA

President Elect's Report - Rebecca Findley Barnard

The responsibilities of the President Elect include acting as chairperson of the Awards Committee, reviewing the Bylaws and proposing revisions as needed, and receiving and reviewing applications for Special Projects.

Awards

Each year the GLR presents the following awards; Honorary Life for long time dedication to the field of music therapy, Scholarly Activity for significant contributions to the knowledge base of the profession, and Service for outstanding service to the region.

Congratulations to our Award Winners!

Special Project Research Award

Dr. Roberta Kagin, MT-BC for her project *History of Music Therapy in Minnesota from 1940-Present*.

Special Projects MUSE Award

Abby Klemm, MT-BC for the project, *Resource-Oriented Music Therapy with Adolescents in Foster Care*.

GLR Service Award

Kevin and Deb Kuptz

GLR Research Award

Todd Schwartzberg

GLR Lifetime Achievement Award

Deforia Lane

Thank you to everyone who submitted nominations and to the state representatives for responding to the vote. It is so inspiring to have such talented music therapists in the GLR region that contribute their service and knowledge to advance our field.

Bylaws

No noted by-law changes are needed at this time.

Special Projects

We have two types of Special Projects: the MUSE Fund (Musical instruments and supporting materials, clinical Services and Education) and the Research Fund. Application and descriptions of the funds can be found on the website and are awarded yearly at the GLR conference. This year we have one application for the research award and three MUSE applications to review. The application can also be found on drop box in the GLR EXEC COMMITTEE>2018 GLR Conference>Special Projects Applications, as well as at the end of this issue on pg. 31.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Findley Barnard, MM, MT-BC
President Elect, GLR of AMTA

Vice President/Vice President Elect Report - Melaine Pohlman & Todd Schwartzburg

Completed Tasks:

- Completed Regularly met with 2018 Conference Co-Chairs via conference call
- Launched "Pay it Forward"
 - Pay it Forward Conference Scholarship
 - Launch campaign in Fall with AMTA
 - Advertise for Applicants in January and distribute scholarships based on money donated during campaign
- Met in person with 2018 Co-Chairs and Committee Chairs in October of 2017 January of 2018 at the hotel in Ypsilanti to review details about the upcoming conference and meet with their local planning committee
- Developed Online Registration Platform for Sponsors, Exhibitors and Donors
 - Re-organized spreadsheet and ability to nurture and sustain region-wide sponsors
- Met with 2019 Conference Co-Chairs via conference call
- Secured 2020 Conference Co-Chair Candidates for GLR Board Approval

Ongoing Action Items:

- Continue Continue to monitor and modify conference policies as needed
 - Advertisements
 - Tax Exempt Status and Benefits
 - Possible Tiers of Registration Rates: Early Bird, Late and On-site
 - AMTAS Representative on Local Planning Committee
 - Policies surrounding registration for conference speakers
 - Explore division of sub-committees based on related responsibilities and duties
- Network and collaborate with other regions about conference planning trends
 - Contribute to Google Drive of Conference planning resources
 - Possible 2020 and 2021 Collaboration with other regions

GLR 2019 Ohio

Date: Thursday, March 14th - Sunday, March 17th, 2019

Location: Hilton Cincinnati at Netherland Plaza; Cincinnati, Ohio

<http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/ohio/hilton-cincinnati-netherland-plaza-CVGNPHF/index.html>

Room Rates:

- 2 Queens/2 Double Beds: Single and Double Occupancy \$139; Triple and Quad Occupancy \$149
- Junior Suites: (IDEAL for students and colleagues who want to room together) 2 bathrooms, separate living area with pull out couch, 2 doubles or queens in sleeping area
Single and Double Occupancy \$169 and Triple - Quad Occupancy \$189

Parking: \$23 Self parking at Mabley Place; put on their hotel bill; includes in and out privileges \$28 overnight guest hotel parking; Mabley Place; in and out privileges. \$17 overnight self parking at Mabley Place with NO in and out privileges; payment made directly to garage

Food and Beverage Minimum: \$23,000

Items to note:

- Co-Chairs: Amy Foley, Tanya Corso and Brittany Scheer
- Helms-Briscoe was an invaluable resource during this contract process. They handled many of our negotiations and have a good understanding of our contract needs.

Action Items:

- Currently reviewing distributions of committees
- Add a student to planning committee
- Present 2019 Conference Budget to GLR Board June of 2018
- Review and Edit timelines and responsibilities prior to sharing with Ohio committees
- Review and present conference survey results to GLR Board in June of 2018

Respectfully submitted,

Melaine Pohlman, MT-BC
Vice President, GLR of AMTA

Todd Schwartzberg, M. Ed., MT-BC
Vice President Elect, GLR of AMTA

State Representative Reports

Illinois – Deborah Soszko

- ❖ 2018 Election welcomed many new board members:
 - President, Deborah Soszko
 - Vice President, Kristin Lindaman
 - Treasurer, Rachel Epley
 - Secretary, Rozie Hornig
- ❖ Membership
 - Numbers as of Monday, April 2: 68 professional members, 4 intern members, 2 student members, and 2 student clubs.
 - Our trial of a 5-year recurring payment system ends this year, but we are hesitant to utilize it again.
- ❖ Treasurer
 - We are in good financial standing and are operating within our budget.
 - We found several areas of surplus in our last budget. We are now looking closely at each line item and finding ways to use these funds to give back to our members in the form of scholarships, stipends, and improving our social meetings and our CMTEs.
- ❖ Continuing Education
 - We will be hosting a CMTE on Private Practice June 2, 2018 in Joliet Illinois. Content and location were based on survey input received from IL MT-BC's over the last year.
 - The fall CMTE is being planned based on the same survey input.
- ❖ Clinical Training
 - We currently have 9 listed national roster internship sites in Illinois according to the American Music Therapy Association. 8 internship sites are active and 1 is currently inactive. We also have 6 university-affiliated music therapy internship sites. 5 of these university-affiliated sites are active and 1 is inactive.
 - There is a need for more internship sites in our state. We've been in contact with the clinical training regional representative, Kay Smith, who has offered to work with music therapists and review their applications prior to submitting it to AMTA to help speed the process along. We've also directed MT-BC's to look at the GLR-AMTA Mentorship Program for guidance and information related to intern supervision.
- ❖ Government Relations
 - IAMT organized a Hill Day in Springfield on March 14th in response to SB 2603. MT-BC's from the state traveled there to meet with their legislators and lobby for legislation.
 - Senator Laura Murphy and her staff are working on drafting a bill for MT-BC licensure in Illinois. Senator Murphy believes music therapists should be licensed and disagrees with the outcome of the Music Therapy Advisory Board report. The report found that providing licensure would not benefit music therapy clients; they feel unlicensed/non-board certified individuals providing services claiming to be "music therapy" would not cause a client harm. Our work on this issue is ongoing.
 - Utilizing funds available, we offered travelers a \$25 stipend to cover travel/food/expenses for the first 20 registrants.
 - We continue to address and educate music therapists, students, and other professionals how to appropriately address misrepresentation issues within our state and region.

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Illinois Report (continued)

❖ Public Relations

- We'll be hosting several tables at conferences this year:
- June 8 th and 9 th is Institute for Therapy through the Arts Conference in Chicago
- June 29 th - July 1 st Abilities Expo in Schaumburg
- August 11 th the National Association of Down Syndrome at St. Ignatius Prep in Chicago.
- Planning for our summer social is under way to take place in early August.

❖ Website

- We've revamped our website over the last year to be more easily navigable, ADA compliant, and to allow for members to register for membership in IAMT and manage their own personal profiles.
- Our new site and its features have also made us realize that our duties as board members will need to be adjusted; duties for the VP, website coordinator and treasurer will be examined and, as needed, redistributed to the appropriate board member to minimize confusion, unnecessary manual labor, and ease communication between members and the board.

❖ Student Affairs

- Andrea Owens, MT-BC is our new student coordinator. We thank Jeff Wolfe for his help in this position in the interim.
- We will be planning a student retreat in the next few months; date and location is TBD.

❖ Fundraising

- In February we hosted an evening fundraiser at NafNaf Grill in a busy suburban are (10% of purchases go to IAMT with flyer/name mention).
- Looking into a FB donation button feature.
- We now have an Amazon smile donation link.
- We will be rolling out a Scrip gift card donation option.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Soszko, MT-BC
IAMT President



Indiana – Kathy Williams

Membership

- As of 3/23/18, we have 77 professional members, 5 student members, and 1 retired member. Music therapists can now register to be an AIMT member online.

Financial Standing

- As of 3/23/18, we have \$5,104.77 available to us. We recently invested in improvements for our members by obtaining a CBMT provider code, redesigning our website to be more functional, sending out member surveys, and providing continuing education opportunities.

State Events

- We held a membership drive at the end of 2017, which was sent to all music therapists in Indiana. This was following a statewide survey that was also sent out in 2017.
- A call for papers was issued for presentations at our spring and fall meetings for 2018. This is still open for our fall meeting, and any papers will be reviewed by our Continuing Education chair and Blind Review Committee.
- Our spring meeting was on 3/24/18. We had a CMTE course on advanced technology in music therapy at IUPUI. Despite having an unexpected several inches of snow and hazardous road conditions, we had several music therapists learn at this event. Due to increasingly bad weather, our afternoon student session that day was cancelled and put on our Facebook page in the form of a live stream.
- We look forward to our business meeting at GLR, networking social events at GLR and over the summer, and our fall meeting in the remainder of 2018.

Advocacy

- Our state task force continues to strive towards building relationships within our governmental agencies. We are pursuing licensure again. We will be watching to see how similar professions are successful in this pursuit and model our advocacy efforts accordingly. A Hill Day in late 2018 or 2019 is likely, but is not officially planned at this time.

Education

- The following institutions in Indiana currently offer music therapy degrees:
 - Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne (IPFW)
 - Indiana-Purdue Indianapolis (IUPUI)
 - Indiana Wesleyan University
 - University of Indianapolis
 - St. Mary of the Woods College
 - University of Evansville
- University of Indianapolis is finishing up their first full year of an undergraduate music therapy program.
- IUPUI currently has a music therapy masters program, and they will be starting their undergraduate program in fall 2018.
- Valparaiso University is in the process of developing a music therapy program.
- For a full list of National Roster Internship sites in Indiana, contact Karel Decker at clin-training@indianamusictherapists.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Williams, MT-BC
AIMT Vice President



Michigan - Kellee Coviak Hansen

New Executive Board

We recently elected a new executive board! New officers will begin their term following the next MMT Executive Board meeting. Thank you to outgoing board members Julie Palmieri (Past President) and Lindsey Perrault (Treasurer).

Membership

As of April 1, we have 69 members: 5 Honorary Lifetime members; 34 professional members; and 30 student/intern members. In addition, 6 individuals have submitted their 2018 membership form, but have not yet paid their dues. There are also active student groups at both Western Michigan and Eastern Michigan Universities.

GLR 2018

We are excited to welcome the Great Lakes Region to Ypsilanti! Thank you to our planning committee for the many hours of work that go into conference planning. We hope everyone is enjoying their conference experience and their time in Michigan.

Continuing Education

Due to hosting GLR, we are not offering a Spring 2018 Workshop. Our Executive Board has some ideas for topics for the Fall 2018 Workshop; watch for additional details in late summer. If you have any suggestions for future workshop topics, please contact Continuing Education Chair, Erinn Epp (continuingeducation@mmtonline.org), or Vice President, Bernadette Skodack (vicepresident@mmtonline.org).

Task Force

We currently have a draft, music therapy licensure bill, sponsored by Representative Thomas Albert, a Republican from the Lowell area. The bill has been reviewed and revised by the AMTA/CBMT legal team for feedback and we are currently waiting for it to be introduced within committee. In anticipation of potential hearings, we are continuing to compile a list of music therapy advocates who are willing to speak in support of a music therapy licensure bill.

Additionally, we look forward to welcoming Michigan legislators and advocates for a *Meet & Greet* on Saturday, April 14 at the GLR Conference. In addition to networking and sharing about the work of Michigan music therapists, we look forward to formally recognizing our strongest supporters with Music Therapy Advocate awards.

MMT Memorial Scholarship

The recipient of our Spring 2018 Memorial Scholarship was Andrew Dobry, a student from Eastern Michigan University. Applications for the Fall 2018 Memorial Scholarship will be due October 1; application materials will be posted on the MMT website in late summer/early fall.

Respectfully submitted,

Kellee Coviak Hansen, MS, MT-BC
MMT President



Minnesota - Michelle C. Sieben

Membership

Current membership of the Music Therapy Association of Minnesota (MTAM) stands at 49 (39 professional members, 6 student members, 4 lifetime members) as of March 19, 2018. This is expected to rise as music therapists register for our upcoming state conference.

Financials

MTAM, a 501(c)3 organization, is in good financial standing with a total of \$11,663.88 in assets (Checking - \$9,758.77; PayPal - \$1461.11; Petty Cash - \$444). The Executive Board continues to update and adjust our budget based on our mission statement to aid us in financial tracking, planning, and decision making.

State conferences

MTAM hosted two 6-credit CMTE conferences in 2017: "Singing with your Whole Self: Integrating Body, Mind, Voice & Spirit Through BodySinging" in May and "A Vision for Music Therapy Advocacy" in October. MTAM will hold spring and fall conferences again in 2018. The spring conference, entitled "Ethical Music Therapy practice for the 21st Century" presented by Rachelle Norman, MA, MT-BC, will be held Saturday, May 5th. This will fulfill the CBMT ethics requirement.

Awards

In Spring of 2017, MTAM honored Bridget Doak with a Lifetime Achievement Award, Becky Pansch with a Service Award, and Patricia Connors of St. Catherine University with a Friend of Music Therapy Award. Award nominations for 2018 are being solicited to be awarded at our upcoming state conferences.

Scholarships

Scholarships are offered and awarded to our membership throughout the year. A list of all available scholarships as well as the scholarship application pare available on our website.

Task Force

A Member Survey was sent out to 278 MTs serving clients in MN with 102 MN MTs responding, a 37% response rate. The information gained through this survey has been helpful in the legislative efforts this year. This legislative session was a mix of success and challenges. We were able to have a successful Hill Day (see below) and we were able to obtain a chief author in both the House (Republican Jenifer Loon) and Senate (Democrat Sen. Jerry Newton). We feel this bipartisan support will set us up for further success, next year. We were referred to the Health and Human Service Committees in each chamber, however, we were told we would not get a hearing two days before the 1st hearing deadline because the 2018 legislative session is unusually short and time is limited. We did have another bill, related to our strive towards licensure, that would have added music therapy and other creative arts therapies to the list of accepted approaches within the VA system (this bill was also pulled due to the short session). Three of our task force members met with lawyers and representatives from Educate Minnesota (they represent the teachers in the state) and we will have on-going conversations about our strive towards licensure (they are supportive). We will convene our task force after the legislative session is finished with their work and begin to identify and work towards action steps throughout the summer and fall.

MN had a very successful Hill Day on February 28th. 15 MTs participated and held 25 meetings with legislators. In addition, 56 folders were handed out to legislators identified as being on key committees. 25 MT thumb drives were given to legislators which included music therapy documents and bill specific information. Representative Jenifer Loon signed on as a chief author for our House licensure bill.

*(Respectfully submitted by Todd Schwartzberg, M.Ed., MT-BC, Chair State Recognition Task Force
Margaret Sonstebly, M.A., MT-BC & Melissa Spiess, M.M., MT-BC, MTAM Government Relations Chairs)*

National Roster internship sites & Educational institutions

Three new National Roster Internship sites were approved over the past year: Augustana Care Health & Rehabilitation of Apple Valley directed by Michelle Sieben, Minnesota State Academy for the Blind directed by Jennifer Pelletier, and collaborative internship program between Joyful Noises LLC and Twin Cities Music Therapy Services directed by Jennifer Hicks and Lindsay Markworth. The following facilities and organizations offer national roster internship programs in the state of Minnesota:

- Allina Health Hospice, St. Paul, MN
- Augustana Care Health & Rehabilitation, Apple Valley, MN
- Joyful Noises and Twin Cities Music Therapy Services, Minneapolis, MN

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Minnesota Report (continued)

- Lifeworks Services, Inc. – Eagan, MN
- Minnesota State Academy for the Blind, Faribault, MN
- Park Nicollet Health Service, Minneapolis, MN
- Woodbury Health Care Center, Woodbury, MN

The following institutions offer undergraduate, equivalency, and masters programs:

- Augsburg College – Minneapolis, MN
- University of Minnesota – Minneapolis, MN

Public Relations

Like Music Therapy Association of MN on Facebook; Follow @musictherapymn on Twitter and Instagram

After a major glitch that caused our website to disappear, we are now back up and running and have been gradually rebuilding our website. The web address remains the same www.musictherapymn.com.

Other Business

In the fall, membership approved edits to our state bylaws including the addition of the board position *Clinical Training Representative* whose role is to offer guidance in developing and maintaining AMTA National Roster internship sites and provide support for clinical supervisors. The former board worked hard to update and polish a new Policy and Procedure book which helps us pass knowledge from one board to the next. The new board is planning to examine and update our Conflict of Interest Policy over the next year. We experienced a website outage at the end of 2017 and following many troubleshooting efforts, we have begun the process of completely rebuilding our website with a new server but luckily were able to keep our domain name.

Special Events

A fundraising event was held in April 2017 for Barbara (Babs) Sperling to help defer healthcare costs related to cancer treatments. We held our first Outstate Outreach event this past summer in Duluth, MN. Over a dozen MTs along with friends, and family gathered for networking and an Open Mic at a local coffee house. The board is hoping to continue to host these types of events for music therapists in outstate areas of MN.

Board Members

New board chairs were elected by the membership last fall, and a Clinical Training Representative as well as new reimbursement representatives were appointed. Melissa Spiess is stepping back from and Margaret Sonsteby is stepping into the role of Government Relations Chair.

President	Michelle Sieben	Past President	Claire M Klein
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Clinical Training Representative	Kay Luedtke-Smith	Government Relations	Margaret Sonsteby, chair Melissa Spiess
Members at Large	Amy Furman, Peter Meyer Jessica DeVillers		

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle C. Sieben, MT-BC
MTAM President



Ohio - Lindsey Doty

- Elections were held for all elected offices:
 - President: Valerie Robinson
 - Vice President: Briana Sanford
 - Treasurer: Alison Brady
 - Secretary: Abby Klemm
- Membership:
 - Total: 130
 - Professional: 97
 - Retired: 0
 - Student: 33
- The state task force remains active in pursuing licensure in Ohio. Members are encouraged to invite your legislators to observe sessions.
- AOMT offers 2 annual conference scholarships for professionals (\$100 for GLR and \$400 for AOMT) in addition to the 2 internship scholarships. See the AOMT website for details and be sure to apply in order to take advantage of these opportunities. Information including scholarship opportunities and deadlines are also communicated regularly via email and social media.
- Continuing education events in the past year include:
 - Our summer CMTE event with Larisa McHugh and Jessica Josefczyk and entitled, “Deepening Connection: A Humanistic Approach to Music Therapy With Our Elders,” was rescheduled for February 10, 2018 at Bethany Lutheran Village in Dayton, Ohio. In attendance were 30 professionals and students. This CMTE was free to members.
 - AOMT’s bi-annual state conference was held in Columbus on September 8 and 9. Vice President Amy Foley worked with the executive board as well as with AOMT member volunteers to organize a wonderful event with record attendance. 169 were registered. 52 attended CMTEs and institutes. The conference featured an 8-hour institute, two separate 3-hour CMTE sessions, 19 concurrent sessions, a jam room, morning yoga, and Marcia Humpal as keynote.
- AOMT.org continues to receive regular updates, hosts online registration for membership, conferences and CMTEs. A member’s only section houses PR materials and other membership perks.
- Ohio is currently home to 13 active national roster internship sites
- AOMT’s student representative, Sarah Whitehead, has worked with Ohio college students to organize a YouTube channel which is now accepting submissions and ideas for contests, promotions, themes, and more.
- AOMT is currently looking for an individual to serve as Government Relations chair. If you are interested, please email Lindsey Holmes Doty at AOMTpresident@gmail.com if you are interested in serving.
- It is not too late to renew membership or join for 2018. You can now join and pay online. Membership is free to those in their first year in the profession or for those new to the state. A list of membership benefits can be found at aomt.org

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsey Doty, MT-BC
AOMT President



Wisconsin State Report - Hanna Uchytel

❖ Our WCMT is CELEBRATING 45 years on April 28, 2018

❖ Spring Elections/Executive Board (*New Elected Officers)

President: Hanna Uchytel

President Elect: Lynnae Sis*

Past President: Rebecca Frize

Vice President: Lisa Paulson*

Secretary: Ellen Meyer

Treasurer: Tamra Fricke

❖ Membership:

o Currently have 54 professional members, 6 student members, and 3 retired professional members for a total of 63 members

❖ Continuing Education

o May 5, 2018 West Salem, WI

An Opportunity to Refresh, Renew, or Ignite your NMT Passion

Presented by Amy Schaack and Sarah Kolander

❖ Awards and Scholarships

o Music Therapist of the Year: Amy Schaack

▪ Was awarded with a \$100 gift card to West Music

o Founders Fund Student Scholarship

▪ Awarded 2 student a scholarship to attend GLR Conference

▪ Lauren Bednar and Anna Barker

Respectfully submitted,

Hanna Uchytel, MT-BC
WCMT President



Appointed Officer Reports

Website Report - Julie Palmieri

I encourage all members to visit the GLR website at <http://glr-amta.org>, as well as our social media accounts on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram on a frequent basis.

The hashtag for the AMTA Conference was #GLR2018. Connect on social media to see what others were saying and sharing.

GLR WEBSITE

By visiting us online, you'll see:

- The most up-to-date information on conferences, CMTEs, and events around the region
 - **15 posts** about GLR news and updates, conference/CMTE opportunities, and events around the region since March 2017
 - If you have an event, please reach out to us by clicking on 'Contact Us' -- we can get the word out about your event on our website and social media
- Job listings and members only information
 - **28 job listings** around the Great Lakes Region and other states
- Mentor program
 - **19 mentors** listed in the Members Only Section of the website
- Our most frequently visited pages since March 2017 include:
 1. Conference Overview
 2. Homepage
 3. Voice of the Lakes (members only)
 4. Job Listings
 5. Executive Board
 6. Members Only

NEWSLETTER COMMUNICATIONS

We are continuing to communicate with our members on a frequent basis via our newsletter, as well.

- 23 newsletters have been sent since January 2017.
- 40% open rate by members (industry average is around 15-18%)

PLEASE NOTE: If you are not receiving these emails and you are a member, please check your spam/junk folder, check your promotions tab, OR contact us via the contact form on the GLR website.

SOCIAL MEDIA STATS

1,005 Facebook Likes (+49 since November 2017)

651 Tweeters (+45 since November 2017)

312 Instagrammers (+43 since November 2017)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/GLR.AMTA/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/gramta>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/gramta/>

See you on our website at www.GLR-AMTA.org!

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Palmieri, MM, MT-BC
Great Lakes Region Website Coordinator

Standing Committee Reports

Academic Program Approval Committee Report - Lalene DyShere Kay

As of November 2017, AMTA has 81 approved degree programs -

43 undergraduate

32 undergraduate and graduate (including 6 doctoral programs)

6 masters (including 2 doctoral programs)

New Program approved since 2016 AMTA conference:

Carroll University

Programs re-approved since 2016 AMTA conference:

Converse College

Duquesne University

SUNY- New Paltz

University of Louisville

University of Georgia University of Kentucky

Majority of “re-approvals” are submitted in June; new programs may be submitted anytime. I currently am serving on three sub-committees; 1 reviewing a re-approval (I am chair of this sub-committee), 2 new undergraduate/equivalency programs (one received in December, one received in January),

During AMTA Assembly of Delegates meetings in Nov 2017, the APAC submitted 3 motions to the assembly for changes to AMTA Standards related to when undergraduate courses are offered, adding clarifying language to pre-internship clinical practicum placements, and defining the Music Therapy Theory as an advanced standard. The results were:

The first motion regarding changing language regarding the foundational MT courses to be completed before internship, **passed**. There was some discussion about the minimum grade of C- standard.

The second motion of adding language to the standard that all students must have pre-internship clinical experiences that include experience with different ages, **passed**.

The third motion of adding language about “Music Therapy Theory” to graduate standards, **did not pass**, HOWEVER there was healthy discussion about the need to define this and possibly look at the professional competencies first before changing the graduate programs.

Other current committee activity:

--revision of the application for equivalency only applications

--working with AMTA national office to create an online submission option for approvals and re-approvals

--create a newsletter for faculty

Respectfully submitted,

Lalene DyShere Kay, MT-BC

GLR Representative to the AMTA, APAC

Association Internship Approval Report - Kay Luedtke-Smith

New Sites

- Cumingham Children's Home, IL

Kyle Fleming, Internship Director

- Minnesota State Academy for The Blind, MN

Jenny Pelletier, Internship Director

There are currently 3 sites with applications being reviewed for approval.

Inactive Site

- Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division, WI

New Internship Directors and Supervising MT's

- Lifeworks, MN, Laura Steines, ID
- Marwood Manor, MI Holly Semrow, ID
- Milwaukee Center for Independence, WI Miriam Ofoni, ID
- Advocate Children's Hospital, Elizabeth Bombell SMT
- Park Nicollet, Amanda Verstegen, SMT
- The Music Settlement, Kimberly Haffey, SMT Ronna Kaplan, SMT & Anne Reed, SMT

The AIAC Committee's request to change the guidelines requiring Supervising Music Therapists to attend the Supervising the National Roster Intern 5-hour CMTE (or similar education course) was approved at the November 17th conference in St. Louis. This change will go into effect July 2018. This change will affect new applications, all others will be grandfathered in. Though all Supervising Music Therapists are encouraged to take the course.

Internship Directors please check the National Roster Internship list on the AMTA website to make sure that everything is up to date.

ACTIVE SITES

Illinois	Indiana	Michigan	Minnesota	Ohio	Wisconsin	Total
9	5	5	8	13	5	45

INACTIVE SITES

Illinois	Indiana	Michigan	Minnesota	Ohio	Wisconsin	Total
0	0	0	0	1	1	2

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Luedtke – Smith, MT-BC
GLR Representative to the AMTA, AIAC

Clinical Practice Networking Report - Lee Anna Rasar

1. Clinical Practice Networking Committee representatives continue to expand networking and mentoring opportunities by organizing and supporting networking events at regional conferences.
2. At the national conference the Clinical Practice Networking Committee joined forces with the Standards of Clinical Practice Committee to facilitate a vibrant and constructive Clinical Practice Networking Luncheon. More than 110 professional and student participants attended and engaged in lively dialogues within 12 different practice areas.
3. To maximize engagement of attendees in networking at the annual conference, we plan to propose a motion to reformulate the clinical practice networking session to utilize a concurrent session timeslot.
4. Please report any networking or mentoring opportunities occurring in the region to your Clinical Practice Networking Committee regional representative, so that we can help support and keep track of such events.
5. All regions are requested to host Clinical Practice Networking sessions at the regional conferences. We hosted a networking luncheon for these populations at our Milwaukee conference with good attendance and spirited sharing times: Hospice/Palliative Care; Medical; Early Childhood; Autism Spectrum Disorder/IDD; Mental Health/Forensics/Addictions; Private Practice; Gerontology; and New Professionals.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Anna Rasar, MMed, MT-BC
GLR Representative to the AMTA, Clinical Practice Networking Committee

Communications & Technology Report – Julie Palmieri

We are continually refining the AMTA Tech Stop membership resources and tutorials. We are always looking for ways that we can support the membership in terms of technology.

The Technology committee is looking ahead to national conference and beginning to identify needs for concurrent sessions. We are also brainstorming other avenues for collaboration with the Ethics Board regarding Ethics and Technology.

AMTA released a social media advisory earlier this year with a list of 10 principles for professionalism and social media. <https://www.musictherapy.org/members/amtasocialmediaadvisory/>

Look for us online at the AMTA Tech Stop:

AMTA Tech Stop: <https://www.musictherapy.org/members/amtatechstop/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/AMTATechStop/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/amtatechstop>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/amtatechstop/>

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Palmieri, MM, MT-BC
Great Lakes Region Communications & Technology Committee Representative

Continuing Education Report - Kellee Coviak-Hansen & Bernadette Skodack

At the 65th Annual Conference of the Great Lakes Region - held April 9-15, 2018 at Eagle Crest Resort in Ypsilanti, MI - 3 Institutes and 9 CMTEs were offered for a total of 93 credits. The courses were as follows:

- The Bonny Method of Guided Imagery & Music Level 1 Training - Circles and Cycles: Personal Journey through Music and Imagery
 - Presenter: Louise Dimiceli-Mitran, MA, MT-BC, LCPC
 - 34 CMTE credits

Eight-credit CMTEs

- Finding Common Ground: Understanding Music Therapy and Cultural Empathy
 - Presenter: Dena Register, PhD, MT-BC
- Creatively Cultivating Great Businesses in the Great Lakes
 - Presenters: Sara Devine, MT-BC, LCSW; Jennifer Hicks, MT-BC, E-RYT; Betsey Zenk Nuseibeh, MM, MEd, MT-BC; Jody Conradi Stark, PhD, MT-BC; Nancy Swanson, MA, MT-BC; and Jennifer Whitlow, MT-BC

Five-credit CMTEs

- Mindful Movement for Music Therapists: Using Yoga in Sessions and Self-Care
 - Presenter: Jennifer Hicks, MT-BC, E-RYT
- Rap 101: An Exploration of the Genre's Musical Elements
 - Presenter: Jenn Seley, MA, MT-BC, CCLS
- Advocacy Strategies for Music Therapy State Recognition
 - Presenters: Dena Register, PhD, MT-BC and Judy Simpson, MT-BC
 - Training was offered to students and funded through a *Pay It Forward* donation campaign. \$750 was raised through the campaign and additional funds will be used for future advocacy endeavors.
- Deepening the Training and Supervision of Developing Therapists with Music and Imagery
 - Presenters: Laura Pawuk, MM, MT-BC and Anthony Beuchel, MT-BC
- Melodic Playing Techniques for Realizing Multicultural Sacred and Folk Repertoire on Guitar
 - Presenter: Carolyn Koebel, MA, MT-BC
- World Percussion Vocabulary & Techniques for the Multicultural Clinician
 - Presenters: Mike LimBybliw, MT-BC and Carolyn Koebel, MA, MT-BC
- Play the Song, Not the Guitar: Incorporating Other Musical Elements
 - Presenters: Peter Meyer, MA, MT-BC and Ginger Drake, MT-BC
- Supervision the Music Therapy Intern
 - Presenter: Kay Luedtke-Smith, MT-BC
 - Offered FREE for AMTA Members

Three-credit CMTEs

- Music Therapy and Human Rights Ethics
 - Presenter: Natasha Thomas, MA, MT-BC

Since the AMTA 2017 conference in November, GLR served as the approved provider for three CMTE offerings:

- AOMT Advocacy Training (Jan. 20, 2018) in Cleveland, OH
 - Presented by Ed Gallagher, MT-BC and Erin Spring, MM, MT-BC
 - 3 CMTE credits
- AOMT Winter Workshop (Feb. 10, 2018) in Dayton, OH
 - *Deeping Connection: A Humanistic Approach to Music Therapy with our Elders*
 - Presented by Jessica Josefczyk, MT-BC and Larisa McHugh, MA, MT-BC
 - 3 CMTE credits
- Alverno 2-day Workshop (March 10-11, 2018) in Milwaukee, WI
 - *Trauma Informed Music Therapy: Responding with Resilience*
 - Presented by Jennifer Sokira, MMT, LCAT, MT-BC
 - 16 CMTE credits

Continuing Education Report (continued)

The CE Committee Members submitted a concurrent session proposal for the 2018 AMTA Conference in Dallas. The session will provide tips for submitting CMTE documentation and proposals for presentations.

We would like to remind the membership that offering a continuing education event under the GLR provider number does not constitute “sponsorship” by the GLR. In addition, please be sure you are using measurable language when constructing your CMTE course objectives. Finally, please send us any recommendations you have for great CMTE presenters and/or topics! Our email address is glr.ce.rep@gmail.com

Respectfully submitted,

Kellee Coviak Hansen, MS, MT-BC
Bernadette Skodack, MT-BC
GLR-AMTA Continuing Education Representatives

Government Relations Report - Nancy Swanson

The GLR region is very busy with active state legislation and advocacy efforts. CBMT and AMTA continue to oversee all active task force movement. Here are recent updates from states in the GLR region:

Minnesota: This legislative session was a mix of success and challenges. We were able to have a successful Hill Day (see below) and we were able to obtain a chief author in both the House (Republican Jenifer Loon) and Senate (Democrat Sen. Jerry Newton). We feel this bipartisan support will set us up for further success, next year. We were referred to the Health and Human Service Committees in each chamber, however, we were told we would not get a hearing two days before the 1st hearing deadline because the 2018 legislative session is unusually short and time is limited. We did have another bill, related to our strive towards licensure, that would have added music therapy and other creative arts therapies to the list of accepted approaches within the VA system (this bill was also pulled due to the short session). Three of our task force members met with lawyers and representatives from Educate Minnesota (they represent the teachers in the state) and we will have on-going conversations about our strive towards licensure (they are supportive). We will convene our task force after the legislative session is finished with their work and begin to identify and work towards action steps throughout the summer and fall. Submitted by: *Todd Schwartzberg, M.Ed., MT-BC, Chair State Recognition Task Force & Melissa Spiess, M.M., MT-BC, MTAM Government Relations Chair.*

Ohio: The Ohio Task Force hosted several Advocacy CMTEs at various state universities for both students and professionals. The task force also attended 1:1 legislative meetings on January 31st in preparation for their Hill Day, held on Feb. 21st. During their Hill Day, they met with their music therapy champion, State Senator Kenny Yuko. The task force also welcomed many people to their Hill Day, including, Maria Jucik, JD, Executive Director of the Arts and Medicine Institute at Cleveland Clinic; Lindsey Paden Cargill, M.A., CCC-SLP, Therapy Manager from Bridgeway Academy who presented on the effectiveness of music therapy; and parents and individuals who have received music therapy in Ohio were also in attendance. *Task Force Co-Chairs: Ed Gallagher and Erin Spring*

Indiana: AIMT will be submitting a public comment regarding the Medicaid waiver applications that have been recently sent out. There are no changes to the Music Therapy definition, but we will be asking for a little clarity throughout. Otherwise, the Arc of Indiana has offered to help lobby and give guidance on our licensure goals as soon as the legislative sessions ends. The short session has now ended, but the Governor has called a special session in May, since there are bills that couldn't be covered. The hope is that all business can be completed in one day, so we will hopefully have more direction at that point. *Gov. Relations chair: Lindsey Wright, Task Force Chair: Casey DePriest*

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Government Relations Report (continued)

Michigan: The Michigan task force will be hosting state legislators at the 2018 GLR luncheon, followed by a meet-and-greet. The task force has also been working with AMTA/CBMT and legislative staff to draft a licensure bill. Bill revisions were sent to legislative assistants in March. Bill introduction is pending. Co-chairs: *Bernadette Skodack and Kelle Hansen*

Illinois: Illinois music therapists held a Hill Day on March 14 to advocate for Senate Bill 2603 for licensure. There were 15 people in attendance, including a mix of both professionals and students, and Kimberly Sena-Moore from CBMT was there as a national presence. The attendees worked together to drop off music therapy information to each legislator's office and attend scheduled meetings.

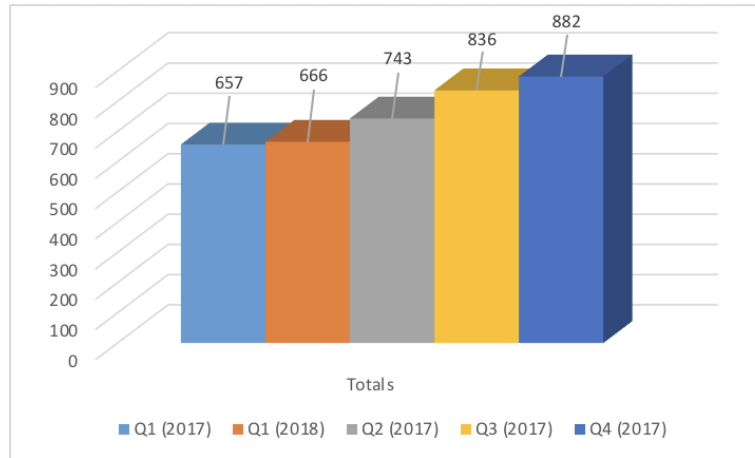
There were many outcomes from the Hill Day, some exciting and others challenging. During the great advocacy work by all of the music therapists and students in attendance, we were able to secure 6 more Senators as co-sponsors of the bill. Our group also met with Senator Laura Murphy, our chief sponsor. She informed us of opposition to the licensure bill from social workers and psychologists due to "lack of education" and "taking clients/work away their professions." AMTA/CBMT put forth a document in response to this opposition. This document was emailed to our chief senate sponsor, along with each senator on the bill's hearing committee.

In addition, the bill has been postponed until further notice due to strict opposition from the Illinois Dept. of Financial and Professional Regulations (IDFPR). On April 3, Judy Simpson and members of the Illinois Task Force participated in a call with the IDFPR to talk over their opposition. Judy spent much time educating the IDFPR about the music therapy profession, how other states have been licensed for music therapy at a low cost, and why we are seeking official recognition of our profession in the state through licensure. Despite the wealth of facts and information she shared, the IDFPR continued to oppose our bill/licensure without any show of malleability. At this point the task force is waiting to hear if there will be a Sunrise Review of the bill or if we will regroup for the next legislative cycle. *Nancy Swanson, IAMT Gov. Relations Chair/ Task Force Chair*

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Swanson, MA, MT-BC
GLR-AMTA Government Relations Representative

Membership Report - Rachael Lawrence-Lupton



1st quarter (2017) = 657
2nd quarter (2017) = 743
3rd quarter (2017) = 836
4th quarter (2017) = 882
1st quarter (2018) = 666

1st quarter (2018) membership category totals:
 Affiliate- 4
 Associate- 1
 Grad Student- 46
 Honorary Life- 8
 Inactive- 0
 Life- 1
 Patron- 0
 Professional- 456
 Retired- 6
 Student- 144

Respectfully submitted,

Rachael Lawrence-Lupton, MA, MT-BC
 GLR-AMTA Membership Committee Representative

Professional Advocacy Committee Report - Jessica De Villers

The committee continues to educate membership regarding the representation of music therapy to the public.

Efforts include:

- We continue to assist and monitor member's responses to advocacy issues.
- The committee manages and maintains a resource file of member referred inquiries and responses related to misrepresentation.
- There were 4 cases of misrepresentation referred to our region since last National Conference. Reported trends in our region seem to be articles, job descriptions, and products.
- The Members Only section of the AMTA website PAC page is updated on a regular basis.
- Several representatives of the PAC will be presenting at regional conferences. In addition to our existing national conference presentation we are developing regional and student-based presentations.
- We continue to refine a decision tree infographic to help members navigate potential cases of misrepresentation.

Please contact Jessica De Villers, GLR of AMTA Professional Advocacy Rep with any issues that arise within your states at devillersjl@gmail.com

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica De Villers, MA, MT-BC
 GLR of AMTA Professional Advocacy Representative

Reimbursement Report - Kyle Fleming

As mentioned at the National Conference in November, the Reimbursement Committee is continuing to fine-tune a national Reimbursement Survey to all members in the coming months that will measure members' knowledge of how they are reimbursed and if they have attempted to get reimbursement from a variety of sources. Recently, our committee teamed up with the AMTA National Team, as information about how music therapists are reimbursed can be used in literature for states seeking licensure and state recognition. The Committee is also working on a document that will help members advocate for music therapy services to be within Title IV block grants. However, this action step is on hold due to questions about the status of grant implementation.

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle Fleming, MT-BC
GLR Regional Representative, Reimbursement Committee

Research Report - Annie Heiderscheid

This Update and report of Committee work from national conference in St. Louis, MO

- Sixty research poster submissions
- New online submission format piloted
- Posters grouped by seven goals outlined in MTR 2025
- Scavenger hunt was developed to engage students and professionals in research poster session
- Four oral presentations selected based on submissions
- Three outstanding awards given for student research
- Four presentations provided as Research Committee Presents. These included:
 1. Conducting Clinical Based Research: A Guide through the Research Process by Annie Heiderscheid, Ph.D., MT-BC, LMFT, Nancy Jackson, Ph.D., MT-BC, and Kathy Murphy, Ph.D., MT-BC
 2. The Peer Review Process for Qualitative Research Manuscripts by Ken Aigen, DA, MT-BC, LCAT
 3. The Art of Peer Review: Crafting Reviews for Quantitative Research Manuscripts by Sherri Robb, Ph.D., MT-BC
 4. Ethics and Music Therapy Research: New Considerations by Nicki, Cohen, Ph.D., MT-BC
- Seven proposals were submitted for clinician research grant. The 2017 Clinician Research Grant was awarded to: Lindsey Zehren: Exploring the effects of harmonica playing on respiratory control and swallow quality of life in persons with PD.
- Continued work to align research sessions offered at conference with MTR2025 goals
- Potential focus areas include:
 - Clinician-based research
 - Theory building
 - Being consumers of, and critical readers of research
 - Successful collaboration between clinicians and researchers
 - Converting thesis to paper, mentoring for publication

Please contact me at heidesc@augsborg.edu if you have any questions regarding this report or about the work of the research committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Annie Heiderscheid, Ph.D., MT-BC, LMFT
GLR-AMTA Research Representative

Workforce Development and Retention Report – Jessica Fletcher

The committee has been working on the following:

- Prior to AMTA 2017, developed a list of junior/community colleges within 50 miles of schools with a music therapy program, submitted to AMTA and awaiting further direction from AMTA.
- Each member of the WDR committee has been working to create events for high schoolers to attend at their own regional conference. This has been our major focus since AMTA 2017.
 - For GLR conference, I worked with Pamela Buchkowski to support her, and help provide promotional documents, for this event a it already existed at GLR.
 - Our high school event is taking place Saturday, April 14th at 7:00 am.
- Working with our new co-chair and AMTA executive board representative to reassess goals and potential shift the focus towards retention goals since our development events (high school events at national and regional conferences and the community college list) are becoming more established.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica S. Fletcher, MM, MT-BC
Workforce Development and Retention Committee Member

General Business Meeting Minutes – Ypsilanti, MI April 2018

- I. Call to order
Meeting was called to order at 5:33 pm
- II. Approval of agenda
Approved for a fluid agenda
- III. Memorial tribute
Music was played and a slide show for GLR members that were unable to be at conference.
- IV. Approval of minutes from St. Louis MO (November 2017)
Minutes were approved as read
- V. Elected Officer Reports:
 - a. President: Debbie Bates
Strategic Planning: Revamped the vision statement
Membership survey
Seeking new representatives for the Judicial Review Board
 - b. Past President: Larisa McHugh
Slate:
President-Elect: Melaine Pohlman
Peter Meyer
Vice-President Elect: Kelle Coviak Hansen
Jennifer Whitlow
Treasurer: Lindsey Wright
Secretary: Megan Brewer
Laurel Rosen-Weatherford
 - c. President Elect: Rebecca Findley Barnard
Research Awards and MUSE awards- They will be put in The Voice of the Lakes since the recipients had not be notified at this time.
 - d. Vice President: Melaine Pohlman
 - e. Vice President Elect: Todd Schwartzberg
Registration information: 517 registered for conference. This is the fastest we have had people register. 189 AMTA Members, 57 Non- Members, 187- Retired/Students, and 9- 'Other'. Late registrants- 24 AMTA, 18 Non-Members, 13- Retired/Students and 11- 'Other'. 294-MT-BC's, 3-Retired, 163-MT Students, 29- MT Intern, 19- Other
State: Illinois- 43, Indiana- 98, Michigan- 173, Minnesota- 28, Ohio- 114, Wisconsin- 34, Other-13
36 Registrant for 3 hour CMTE, 110 Total Registrants for 5 hour CMTES, 30 Institute Registrants, 8 High School Students Attending
Sponsorship: Platinum: Alverno, Siler: Zivix, Eisenhower Center, Bronze: AIMT, A2, Eastern Michigan, and Oz's Music. The sponsorship came in a little lower than expected. There was a Gold level that people were not interested in.
Platinum: 2500, Gold: 1,000, Silver: \$200, Bronze: \$100
Exhibit Hall: 25 tables: \$3375 and 19 Program Ads: \$1325(Ads exceeded the budget) One added later.
Hotel: 278 room in contracted room clock. (85%-236 rooms) required ro meet contract
242 room night booked in GLR
Pay It Forwards Campaign: \$800 Donated- \$300 to cover \$25 fees for 12 Students
\$500 to Advocacy. 23 donors: Launched February 27th and marketed through social media
Projected budget is projected to be a profit.
 - f. Secretary: Jennifer Whitlow
Please put your reports in Dropbox

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General Business Meeting Minutes (continued)

- g. Treasurer: Stephanie Harris
 - Met with the CPA at AMTA
 - Check in the with the Continuing Education people prior to
 - Balance \$61,280.49-Continues to grow
 - Expenses: 11,013.79
 - Revenue: 19,569.41
 - Fundraising ideas that are not labor intensive: Restaurants dining and donating and Pay it Forward Campaign

VI. State Representative Reports:

- a. Illinois: Deborah Soszko
 - New members on the executive board
 - Stipends for members-\$25 for Hill Days
 - Finding new ways of fundraising
 - Working on licensure
 - Continuing to build internship programs
- b. Indiana: Kathy Williams for Jennifer Whitlow
 - March 23rd: 77 members
 - 5k in account
 - New website:
 - Providing new continuing education opportunity
 - Membership drive and survey in Indiana
 - Call for Papers
 - Task Force: Building relationship in the State House: Considering a Hill Day soon
- c. Michigan: Kellee Coviak- Hansen
 - Newly elected board
 - No spring workshop because of GLR
 - Task Force: Have a bill for MT Representative- Been working with him since Halloween. The wording has been reworked. The bill would go in to affect 12/31/2018
- d. Minnesota: Michelle Sieben
 - Membership
 - Ethic CMTE in Minnesota in May
 - Task Force sent out a Survey (37% response rate)
 - 3 new National Roster internships
 - Hill day with a lot of success and legislators backing them.
- e. Ohio: Lindsey Doty
 - Membership: 130
 - State conference last year
 - Can register online
 - Offering third CMTE event that is free to members.
 - Working with Ohio Students for a YouTube channel
 - Task Force: Pursuing licensure
- f. Wisconsin: Hanna Uchytel
 - 45 years as an organized chapter
 - Continuing Education opportunity
 - An Opportunity to Refresh and Renew Your MT
 - Awarded two students to attend conference.

VII. Appointed Officer Reports:

- a. Archivist: Ed Roth
- b. Editor: Andy Panayides
 - Reports are due on April 22nd.
 - Published by April 30th

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General Business Meeting Minutes (continued)

- c. Student Advisor: Katie Fitch
Jeff Wolfe stepped in to support the students in performing a song with the students.
- d. Student Representative: Mara Alvarez
Students performed at the start of the Saturday meeting
Passages: 45 students. 4 student presenters and 2 professionals: Tracy Richardson was the key note. Gift of Music: 7 applicants. Granted to Alliance Music Therapy: Hilary Fredenburg
Co-hosting an Open Mic Night.
Tote Bag fundraising. Goal of selling 75- GLR AMTAS or GLR- \$15 plus S&H.
- e. Website Coordinator: Julie Palmieri
Visit our website. #GLR2018. Twitter, Instagram, and FB
15 posts about GLR related news
28 jobs listing
19 Mentors
Lots of followers on FB, Instagram, and Twitter

VIII. Standing Committee Reports:

- a. Academic Program Approval: Lalene Kay
Two new chairs joined the committee in January. Jan Creigen at National office is able to give more details about other Academic Programs outside of the region.
- b. Association Internship Approval: Kay Luedtke-Smith
All supervising MT-BC's will be required to take the internship training starting July 2018. 3 new internships
- c. Communications & Technology: Julie Palmieri
- d. Continuing Education: Kellee Coviak-Hansen & Bernadette Skodack
Survey's have gone out for CMTE's. Certifications will go out after the completion of the survey
- e. Standards of Practice: Jennifer Fiore
Reworking the standards
- f. Research: Annie Heiderscheit
Includes a series of presentations. Wants to support people doing research.
- g. Government Relations: Nancy Swanson
Get involved in your state. Even if it is contacting your senators or getting letters for your families.
- h. Reimbursement: Kyle Fleming
Teaming up with AMTA to change the membership survey to help support the state Tasks Force and Licensure
- i. Affiliate Relations: Ann Hannan
- j. Workforce Development & Retention: Jessica Fletcher
High School outreach program. We had 6 out of the 8 that registered attended the conference today. The committee has a new AMTA representative, focusing on the retention and continuing to make it happen.
- k. International Relations: Roberta Kagin
- l. Membership: Rachael Lawrence-Lupton
666 members in first quarter. Phone drive: target members within our state--- this was the way it was done in the past. This year we are going to try something new--- Goal is to reach out to people who were members of AMTA and are not anymore. Wants to start building our community and our network. Let's connect to more members and network. **#composingcommunity**
- m. Professional Advocacy: Jessica DeVillers
Helps to assist members with representation in the field. Wants to help with misrepresentation and advocacy
- n. Clinical Practice Networking: Lee Anna Rasar
- o. Diversity and Multiculturalism: Peter Meyer
Increase diversity of professional members. Had two proposals accepted

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General Business Meeting Minutes (continued)

IX. Old Business

- a. GLR Mentor Program Update
The program continues to grow. They have more mentees this year than they did the past year. Following the research from Dr. Merrill. Rebecca West shared about mentors and the process and who it targets. Jeff Wolfe, supervision vs mentor and discussed the difference. Angie- the program has a built in self-evaluation. Assisting with ethical issues without an emotional connection. Wanting to create more diversity within the program. Mentors introduced themselves.
- b. Scholarship Chair Kymly Eubanks seeks 5-6 members from each region to serve as AMTA Scholarship reviewers
- c. GLR Representative to Judicial Review Board
The board helps with delegating between parties when wrong doing may be happening within the music therapy community. They meet at the AMTA conference. Cases are reviewed and resolved.

X. New Business

- a. GLR Representative to AMTA Stakeholder Committee
Will announce this person in the future.
- b. Online Feedback Forum for MLE Final Report
This will be sent out in case people did not have the opportunity to respond.
- c. GLR 2019
March 14th-17th 2019, Cincinnati Hotel: Hilton Netherlands Hotel
Chairs: Brittnay Sheer, Tonya Corso, and Amy Foley
Watched a welcome video about Cincinnati. 90 shops and restaurants within 4 blocks of the hotel. \$23 a night for parking, Trolley around town. Made contact with the Cincinnati Symphony. Junior suites. Two queens and 1 ½ bathroom.

XI. Updates/Announcements and Adjournment

- BW-3's fundraiser: \$70.29 member support fund.
- Michigan Citizen's Guide: Encouraging Michigan MT's to take Raffle prize on Friday

Meeting adjourned: 6:29 pm

Useful Links

[GREAT LAKES REGION RECOGNITION AWARDS](#)

[Scholarship Opportunities for AMTA Members](#)

[Support Music Therapy Just By Shopping Online](#)

[WELCOME TO THE GLR-AMTA MENTORING PROGRAM](#)

Application for Membership Support

The mission of the GLR of AMTA is to advance and support the mission of the American Music Therapy Association on the regional level and to serve GLR-AMTA members. The Executive Committee of GLR of AMTA has created a Membership Support fund to assist members in the region who may be experiencing temporary financial struggles. This assistance is intended to help GLR of AMTA members with paying AMTA membership dues or continuing education opportunities. Please note that a member may not receive Membership Support funds from GLR of AMTA more often than once in a three-year period.

Procedure and Timeline:

1. Complete this application.
2. Submit to the current Past President of GLR of AMTA. You may submit an application at any point during the year.
3. Applications will be considered by the Executive Committee at the national conference (October/November) or regional conference (March/April), immediately following the application.
4. In some cases, applicants cannot wait for the next conference to receive a decision, due to impending deadlines (e.g., CMTE registration). Applications marked "Time Sensitive" (see below) which arrive between conferences, will be considered as soon as possible, via phone conference or electronic means.
5. Applicants will be notified within one week after the application is voted upon by the Executive Committee.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

I am requesting Membership Support funds to assist with (check one):

- AMTA Membership Dues (for the year _____)
- Continuing Education opportunity

Please provide a detailed description of how these funds will help you meet professional responsibilities and goals. Please limit your response to space provided.

Amount Requested: _____ Time Sensitive? (circle one) Yes/no

If your request is time-sensitive, please explain why it is time sensitive and provide the date the funds are needed

Special Projects

Special Projects is a mechanism established by the Great Lakes Region for members to support clinical projects, research projects, or committee-related projects. Funding is available in two categories: the MUSE Fund (MUSical Instruments and supporting materials, clinical Services, Education) and the Research Fund. Each fund has a specific purpose, protocol, and eligibility requirements.

The MUSE fund is intended to support the needs of clinicians, the clinical use of music therapy within the CBMT Scope of Practice, AMTA Standards of Clinical Practice, and within the boundaries of the Professional Competencies of music therapists, and the advancement of GLR. Members of the GLR, including student members, can apply for funds to support the clinical use of music therapy including the purchase of musical instruments and supporting materials, the clinical training of the music therapist, clinical services of a music therapist, or one-time committee-related projects. The outcomes of projects supported by the MUSE fund are to be *clinical* or *professional* in nature. Data collection related to projects funded by MUSE is to be for the express purpose of enhancing the quality of music therapy service for the *client* or for advancement of the music therapy *profession* and not intended for research. Should data be collected for the purpose of presentation or publication, applicants should apply for Research funds.

Applicants are encouraged to apply for the MUSE funds to support various aspects clinical practice and professional life as a music therapist. Examples of materials, education, and services include but are not limited to the following items: drums, iPad, Orff instruments, sign language course, fees for a clinical music therapist, parachute, one-time committee travel expenses, etc. Within the application, it should be made clear how the funds would be used and how the practice of music therapy would be enhanced by the funds.

Members interested in conducting music therapy research are encouraged to apply for the Research fund. Projects that are considered to be research are those that collect various types of data for the purpose of answering a research question that may or may not directly impact a specific client. These include master's theses, dissertations, and other studies where publication or presentation is the desired format for distributing results. All applicants proposing research involving human participants must have clearance by to an Institutional Review Board (IRB) or Human Subjects Review Board (HSRB). The GLR Executive Board will consider only those research proposals that have such a mechanism in place for protection of human participants. Research that is approved by the GLR Executive Board will receive funding only after the applicant/researcher provides written proof of IRB/HSRB approval.

Research funding can be used to cover expenses related to research including but not limited to the following areas: travel costs, materials, testing measures, computer time, analysis support, instruments, clinical services for another music therapist, etc. Stipends for the primary researcher are not the purpose of this fund, but will be considered in conjunction with other expenses and funding sources.

Applications for either fund are due to the President Elect 30 days before the conference (GLR or AMTA) during which they will be considered. One project can be funded at the annual AMTA Conference, and one project may be funded at the GLR Regional Conference. If no project is funded at the AMTA Conference, then, two projects may be funded at the GLR regional conference. Each project, regardless of the type, that is approved by the Executive Committee will be funded at an amount up to \$1,500.

SUBMISSION PROCESS:

1. Complete Special Projects Fund Application (*on the next page*) and use it as a guide in creating your proposal.
2. **Submit completed cover letter with your full proposal.** Submit to the GLR President-Elect at least 30 days before a GLR or AMTA conference.
3. **Submit a separate document for blind review.** In this copy, please do NOT include the cover letter. Also, please remove any identifying information (name of music therapists, facility name, city, etc.) from the proposal. Submit to the GLR President Elect at least 30 days before a GLR or AMTA conference. This is the copy that will be shared with the GLR Executive Board members; discussion and voting will take place during the GLR Executive Board meeting at the next conference (GLR or AMTA).
4. Applicants will be notified within 30 days after a GLR or AMTA conference regarding the GLR Executive Board's decision.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: 30 days before GLR or AMTA conference.

Special Projects Fund Application

Special Projects is a mechanism by the Great Lakes Region for members to support clinical projects, research projects or committee-related projects. Funding has been used to cover some expenses related to travel costs, materials, testing measures, or computer time. Funding is typically not approved for stipends. Funding is available in two categories: the MUSE Fund (Musical Instruments and supporting materials, clinical Services, Education) and the Research Fund. Each fund has a specific purpose, protocol, and eligibility requirements. Persons interested in any type of research or conducting a project directly related to clinical practice are encouraged to apply.

Please complete the following information and submit with your formal request for funding:

Name:

Address, City, State, Zip:

Phone Number:

Email:

Title of Project:

Which Fund Applying For: MUSE Fund Research Fund

Name of Agency in which Project Funds will be used:

Please provide the details about the project on a separate page with a limit of three pages in total, including:

- Statement of need
- Detailed explanation of the project
- Project design
- Breakdown of funds request
- Timelines
- How you will share outcome information with the membership
- Other information that you feel supports the need for the funding request.

All materials must be submitted to the President-Elect within 30 days of the GLR or AMTA Conference. Questions concerning Special Projects should be directed to the President-Elect of the GLR.

Signature:

Date: