

American Music Therapy Association Mid-Atlantic Regional Chapter

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MARAMTAS January Meeting

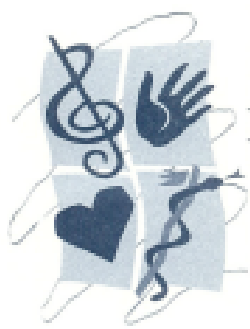
Sunday January 22 2023 @7 pm via Zoom

1. Opening Procedures

- a. Call to Order, D. Shafranek, 7:05 PM
- b. Roll Call, A. Baptiste
 - i. Dana Shafranek, President
 - ii. Nina DeMilta, President Elect
 - iii. Christina Mihalik, Vice President
 - iv. Elise Kohler , Parliamentarian
 - v. Anaya Baptiste, Secretary
 - vi. Katelyn Yanovitch, Treasurer
 - vii. Zacharia Aarsalane, Government Relations
 - viii. Nazarene Campodonico, Public Relations
 - ix. Nicole Pinnella , Historian
 - x. Meghan Smith, Student Affairs Advisor
- c. Approval of Agenda, D. Shafranek

2. Old Business

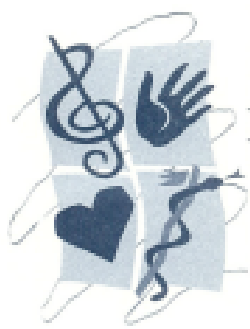
- a. Passages, M. Smith
 - i. 4 February 2023
 - ii. Closing Event
 - a. Hosted by C. Mihalik, N. Demilta, D. Shafranek, N. Campodonico
 - b. Music bingo, Heardle, etc.
- b. Swap Shop, E. Kohler
 - i. Met with committee last week
 - ii. Theme: Instrumental Tips and Tricks
 - a. Participating schools will pick assignment based on list and then present at conference
 - iii. Instruments needed
 - a. C. Mihalik and N. Pinnella to bring instruments
 - a. Will later be given a specific list
- c. Fundraising, K. Yanovitch
 - i. Anticipated timeline
 - ii. Beginning Krispy Kreme leading up to conference
 - a. Forms and vouchers will be sent out
 - iii. T-shirt discussion at conference
 - a. Clothing more fun to do around conference



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- d. MARAMTAS Gives Back, Z. Arsalane
 - i. Currently on schedule
 - ii. Sending out emails to chapter representatives this week
- e. By-Laws, E. Kohler
 - i. To present at conference
 - ii. Bylaws split by type of change (e.g., grammatical)
 - iii. Copy of by-laws at booth and business meeting
- f. Poster Project, M. Smith & N. Pinnella
 - i. To send out email
- g. Student Conference Planning Position, D. Shafranek
 - i. To be presented at conference
 - ii. E. Kohler & M. Smith to determine possibility of position nomination before put in existence
- h. Committee Updates, D. Shafranek
 - i. HS Advocacy
 - a. Zoom meeting scheduled for next week
 - a. Presentation may occur after conference, MAR Conference 2022
 - b. HS event at regional conference
 - a. Have at least two people from HS Advocacy committee assist with event
 - ii. Diversity & Inclusion
 - a. Held Zoom meeting
 - a. Created list of what committee will involve
 - b. Discussed goals that will be started post-conference
 - c. Creating anonymous Google Form to share any complaints and create discussion regarding diversity & inclusion within MAR-AMTA and AMTA
 - i. Form will be accessible via QR code at conference
 - b. Can ask D. Shafranek for more specifics
 - iii. Historian Committee, N. Pinnella
 - a. Meeting next week for first time
 - b. Continuing Google Drive and documents from last year
 - c. Opening floor for any new ideas
 - iv. MARAMTAS Gives Back, Z. Arsalane
 - v. Swap Shop, E. Kohler
 - a. Met last week
 - a. Decided theme and details



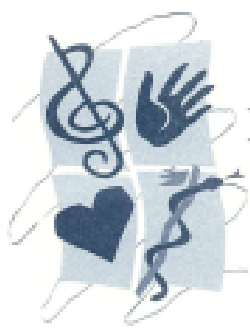
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- b. Sent out email to chapter representatives regarding sign-up
- i. Social Media Updates, N. Campodonico
 - i. Starting conference takeovers
 - a. To get people involved and engaged
 - b. Possibly something for Passages

3. New Business

- a. Task Forces Updates, Z. Aarsalane
 - i. Child Life Specialist Board sent out sample packets to professionals with some inaccurate information regarding music therapists and pay brackets, affecting other therapists (e.g., art, dance)
 - ii. Certain New York music therapists not wanting to be recertified (MT-BC) and simply keep LCAT
 - iii. Generally quiet in other states due to mid-term elections
- b. Chapter Representative Award, M. Smith
 - i. To be voted on in the next week via Google Form
 - ii. Written in check form, to be given at conference
- c. Student Affairs Advisor Nomination and Election, M. Smith
 - i. M. Smith's 2-year term is ending
 - ii. Each person nominated must be backed by a school
 - 1. James Maxen (Recommended by E. Kohler)
 - 2. Kim Best (Recommended by N. Demilta)
 - 3. Michelle Rossi (Recommended by D. Shafranek)
 - 4. Christopher Gold (Recommended by N. Demilta)
- d. Conference Booth, M. Smith
 - i. Create sign-up sheet based on session times; fill out before conference
 - ii. To include at booth:
 - 1. By-laws changes
 - 2. Diversity & Inclusion QR code
 - 3. Bonfire QR code
 - 4. Social media QR codes
 - 5. MAR-AMTS packet and role descriptions
 - 6. MARAMTAS Gives Back information
 - 7. Candy
- e. Student Leadership Academy, M. Smith
 - i. Theme: transitioning to professional world
 - ii. Occurs before Opening Ceremony



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- iii. Move Passages money to Student Leadership Academy (Decided with K. Yanovitch)
- iv. MAR-AMTS covers other half of registration for the 4 professionals coming
- v. Required attendance
- f. Spring Business Meeting Welcome Packet, D. Shafranek
- g. Conference Planning, D. Shafranek
 - i. Overview of schedule/required events (meetings, booth, etc)
 - 1. Will have time to attend sessions
 - ii. Registration, Travel, and Hotel
 - iii. MARAMTAS Niagara Falls Trip
 - 1. Possibility depending on schedules
- h. Creating Action Items for Next E-Board, M. Smith
 - i. To suggest next meeting
- i. Elections, D. Shafranek
 - i. Is anyone running again?
 - ii. Continue breakfast with old and new e-board

4. Good & Welfare

5. Adjournment