



**APATXMW
Board Meeting
August 20, 2021**

11:30am – Microsoft Teams Meeting (info second page)

- 1) **Roll Call:** Called to order at 11:32am. Members present included Abra, Brian, Madison, Tamara, David, JP, and Ezra.
 - 2) **Discussion regarding Outstanding Minutes from March 2021:** Tamara made a motion to approve the minutes of March 22, 2021. Abra seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.
 - 3) **Special Election – Director-Elect:** Abra informed the board that there were no applicants in the original election window. David did some lobbying and found three interested candidates that all expressed a desire to work on and with the Midwest Board. The Board discussed the three applicants. Abra made a motion to elect Clayton Comstock as the APA Midwest Section Director-Elect. Brian seconded the motion and Clayton was appointed unanimously.
 - 4) **Future Position Appointments and Adjustments – Section-Specific:** Abra explained that with ongoing Covid concerns, efforts have been stagnant. Members agree to revive their efforts and availability to enhance the section and upcoming events. The Board discussed potential candidates to fill open positions. The other candidates for the Director-Elect position were considered.
 - 5) **Discussion/Action Items**
 - a. Strategic Plan 2021 – David explained that the state chapter had a meeting with the Director-Elects. The major concern that was discussed was the expectation that every section should achieve every goal. David explained that sections should reevaluate goals and remove some that are non-essential.
 - 6) **APATXMW Awards:** Abra opened a discussion amongst the board about potential thoughts and plans for the Awards Ceremony. The Board currently aims to have an in-person holiday themed event. If an in-person event is not viable due to Covid, the Board will shift to a virtual event. Tamara and Brian agreed to assist in the planning process. Items to be prepared include scholarships, a survey monkey for awards submittals, award type customizations, and event coordination (venue, date, etc.). Tamara agreed to schedule a meeting with some of the Board members who wish to assist with the coordination of the awards. David mentioned that he would begin preparing scholarship info.
 - 7) **2021 APATX State Conference:** Abra explained that there has been monthly meetings and that there is some concern regarding the current status of the conference. Abra discusses looking into hosting a poster session event. The Board was made aware that hotels are quickly being booked.
 - 8) **Past Events/Meetings:** No items were discussed.
 - 9) **Future Events/Activities**
 - a. Calendar/Events: Board agrees that all of the focus and efforts should be put towards the holiday awards banquet.
 - 10) **Officer Reports**
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- a. **Director** – None
- b. **EPL** – None
- c. **UTA SPA** – Brian hopes to play a larger role in the section in the future.
Ezra clarifies that he is taking on the role of program chair and that Brian is the UTA SPA.
- d. **Treasurer** – Not present
- e. **Secretary** – Looking forward to meeting new members.
- f. **Communications** - None
- g. **Professional Development** - None
- h. **Director-Elect** – David requests that Board members be on call during the conference to assist in any way.

11) **Future Agenda Topics:**

Meeting was adjourned at **12:25pm**

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