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THURSDAY EVENING SESSION
June 10, 1976

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Athletic Trainers Association was convened at the Sheraton-Boston Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts at seven-fifty o'clock p.m., Mr. Frank George, President, presiding, and with the following present:

Mr. Frank George, President
Mr. Otho Davis, Executive Director
Mr. Richard F. Malacrea, District No. 2
Mr. Craig Lewellyn, District No. 3
Mr. William W. Flentje, District No. 5
Mr. Eddie Lane, District No. 6
Mr. Warren H. Lee, District No. 7.
Mr. William H. Chambers, District No. 8
Mr. Tom Wall, District No. 9
Mr. John Anderson, District No. 10
Mr. Bruce Melin, Parliamentarian.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think we are ready to begin.

I believe we will start off with a prayer.

Dear Lord, thank you for bringing us together. Please help us make the right decisions tonight. Thank you. Amen.

Now, okay, normally we jump right into business but there are a few words that I would like to say before we begin our business. Maybe we are getting smart about a lot of things because we certainly have a lot to talk about. However, before going into our business, let me say that right now, for example, licensure seems to be the major issue facing us but, you know, there are also other things we must consider before we can consider licensure and that, for example, is the certification report.

First of all there has been a request that we

do not make any changes at all in that Certification Report.

MR. FLENTJE: Do you mean after this meeting or before the meeting?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Right now, so we have to make that decision.

Then we also have to make a decision, as you know, with regard to the recommendation of the Licensure Committee, who has recommended that the only way to obtain a license would be that you must be a graduate of an approved curriculum. That likewise is kind of a major step, something we hope will be a step in the future and maybe now is the time to discuss this, if it is the time.

Now, they do have some reasons for this recommendation. For example, they think that the curriculum graduates can meet the job demand market right now.

There are also other things in relation to that Certification Report and Membership Report that have to be considered. Possibly we will have to make some changes in order to upgrade Code II.

Now, Otho and I have talked it over and we are really going to upgrade Code II. We are going to make a proposal that from now on the only way you can become an Associate Member is to have a college degree. That, in turn, will eliminate the problems that we are going to have with such things as special cases.

For example, in relation to the new member from District No. 2, who has just joined, if these people had a college degree, there would be no problem --they could qualify for certification under a different method. I think that is about all I wanted to say insofar as the general remarks go. I think now we can begin unless, Otho, you wish to say something.

MR. DAVIS: We have two of our Directors who

are not here. Bob White will be here tomorrow. Wes Jordan is also not present but we have not heard anything definite regarding his attendance.

Now, I also wish to call your attention to the list of delinquent members. I would like to give you the ones whom we have received payment for so that you can scratch them off.

...Whereupon, the delinquents having made payment since the issuance of the last report were called to the attention of the Board members and accordingly scratched off of the list...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Perhaps at this time we might have the report of the Treasurer.

MR. DAVIS: You all have copies of the report concerning receipts and disbursements.

Last year, the Convention was \$13,933.33. This is in the General Fund. Also, as you can see, you have the receipts and disbursements.

The next sheet is in relation to certification. I asked for a report on May 1st and Lindsay got this together for me. There is some \$9,518 in his account at Ann Arbor.

Also, in relation to this report, which is in the big, blue book, he gives you an estimate of how this is being spent.

The sum of money that is being collected covers the March, June and August certification examination.

However, we have to have a cut-off date somewhere and April 21st was the date.

Also, with regard to the Journal Committee, it has two accounts, one covering advertisements, which is shown on Sheet A. In that account, there is now a balance of \$186.59. That is in the First State Bank at

Greenville.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is the Journal paying for itself now?

MR. DAVIS: No, but I think it will -- yes, it depends on the way you look at it. The Journal is paying for itself.

If you allocate X number of dollars from your membership for Journal use, then that is one thing. However, at the present time, as I say, the Journal is not really carrying its weight but I am sure it will.

Sheet B involves the second bank account, which is at the First State Bank in Greenville. This income derived there is from your paid subscriptions and the sale of back issues.

MR. LANE: In looking at these statements from the First State Bank, all of the business seems to have been done within a period of two months.

MR. DAVIS: Well, that involves the ledger. I asked for the last ledger showing the total as it presently is. I did not really ask for the whole thing. I merely wanted the last figure.

MR. LANE: Well, at first glance, it looks like they did all of the work in two months and did not do a darn thing during the other ten months.

MR. DAVIS: It does, yes.

Then, likewise, we go to your Convention Report and, in relation to the Convention balance, Fred has an account at The First National Bank of South Carolina. There are registration fees in the amount of \$13,082.40 on deposit there.

Now, going to the next sheet -- well, you cannot read that.

MR. MALACREA: I believe you sent that to us

in a better copy.

MR. DAVIS: Yes, I sent a better copy to you earlier but the thing would not really come out this time around.

However, what this is here is that we have interest earned on NATA investments from the period May 1, 1975 to May 1, 1976. That first line is your four percent bookkeeping savings and that figure of \$99.72 in parenthesis, that is the 1975 interest.

Then, I think you can read the balance of the figures there.

And it also indicates, the next line, what NATA had on deposit with the PNB, a 5.5 percent savings certificat , and the amount there is \$40,000.

The next item is the same thing, a 5.5 percent savings certificate at \$10,000.

Then the other thing there, if you cannot read it, indicates a check for \$3,000 for the Schering Symposium, payable to NATA, along with \$2,000 withdrawn from the Savings Account, to purchase a \$5,000 5.5 percent savings certificate on December 8, 1975.

Then, on May 5, 1976, \$2,000 was withdrawn from the account as you see there and a check issued to NATA with reference to the Schering Symposium and mailed to the Home Office at Lafayette, Indiana. This appears over on your first sheets, relating to receipts.

Also, in that savings account, is still \$1,000 from Schering.

Then, following that, we have a letter from myself to Mrs. Franklin explaining what I have just talked to you about.

Then the last sheet in this report is your NATA Treasurer's Report, 1976, and shows the various

account balances.

The figures there indicate a 17.21 percent increase over 1975 -- I am sorry, a 17 percent increase.

Excuse me, there is a 32.63 percent increase in finances and a 17 percent increase in total membership. That total membership also includes your Honorary, Retired and the Non-Dues-Paying Group.

That is the Report.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Does anybody have any questions in relation to this Report?

Are there any questions at all?

Is there anything more you would like to know about these figures?

MR. MALACREA: With regard to the general passbook interest, that figure of 4 percent, isn't that a little low?

Aren't most of them around 4.75 percent and 5 percent?

MR. DAVIS: Probably, I don't know.

MR. MALACREA: Well, I am just curious.

MR. DAVIS: That is what she put it in.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You know, sometimes those accounts change and go up and the bank does not notify you.

MR. LEE: How come we have a jump in assets?

For example, I believe you indicated a 32.6 percent financial increase?

MR. DAVIS: The total balance in 1975 was

\$61,529.69 and our total value has gone to \$39,000.

MR. LEE: Why?

MR. DAVIS: Well, I think the biggest thing here involves the increase in membership. You have a 17 percent increase there.

MR. LANE: Also, in relation to the certifications, there is money there.

MR. DAVIS: Yes, you have some money there. It also indicates the registration, which, of course, it likewise did last year.

However, it does not show your exhibits but then likewise, it did not show them last year either.

MR. MALACREA: Is that the same time last year that the pre-registration money was in there as well?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

The way she has it, she apparently has it listed for last year -- well, she really hasn't, because she has the 1975 Convention.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It looks as though we made about \$7,000 on the Convention, something which, when Fred gets here, I know he is going to talk to you about. I have talked to Fred and Otho both and we do have a low registration fee for the Convention, some \$15. It is really low.

You can go to almost any other Association and find them charging a higher fee. The APTA, for example, is \$50 this year and that is a heck of a lot of difference for a very, very similar type of conference.

When I look at our program this year, with three concurrent sessions going on at the same time, I think we are offering quite a bit, especially in

relation to the different clinical sessions.

Now then, it may be time for an increase in that.

Also, another thing that we are going to hear about, and I know you all received a letter from Bill Chambers about this and, further, the Boston people are going to talk about the same thing, is that it seems like the free parties are done.

Now, I know that the Boston people were able to raise between \$5,000 and \$6,000 this year but the way they did it, well, I don't know if it is right or wrong. They almost, for example, went begging for the money. They wrote to all of the different exhibitors and different friends and different everybody else -- the schools and colleges in the area and the like.

Now, as I say, that \$5,000 or \$6,000 is great but, on the other hand, the way they did it, I do not believe was the professional thing to do.

For example, when you go to other Annual Meetings, such as the APTA, the American College of Sports Medicine, the AMA, etc., you do not get one free thing -- you do not get a free anything -- nothing, not even a free drink. Maybe the time has come for us to stop all of this free stuff also.

MR. MALACREA: We hit that for the first time this year in relation to the Eastern Meeting in January.

There was a kind of a mix-up, as you may well know, as to whether or not Johnson and Johnson was going to sponsor the cocktail parties. They usually do at our meetings. However, what we decided to do was to throw our own party. We had it, with the assurance of our Treasurer, that the cost of the cocktail party was covered with the income from the meeting, registration fees, etc.

This is a thing we decided we should pay for.

The people who were there attended the meeting and they were getting the benefit of the registration fees and, therefore, we felt that in no way should we dip into the General Funds pertaining to our treasury to support these local cocktail parties.

MR. LANE: This is more or less common procedure because, in relation to the last two or three conventions that I have attended, they have included that in their registration fee.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Also the entertainment fee. They have entertainment tickets and banquet tickets and the like.

Now, along this line, one suggestion from Fred and the Boston people was just to up the \$15 registration fee to \$20 and that would certainly cover the expenses, at least they thought so. There are a number of reasons for that.

At least, for example, they can plan in relation to how much money they are going to have and how they are going to spend it.

On this basis, they are really also flying by the seat of their pants.

MR. LANE: To my way of thinking, I don't see \$5 as being enough.

MR. CHAMBERS: You know, in a way, it is kind of bad that we let the exhibitors go for \$350 per booth and then ask them to come back in for other money.

The problem we had last year was that some of the exhibitors did not even respond to our plea. They were the ones that got all of the people together in relation to some of these free things. Now, at the meeting of The American College of Sports Medicine, held at Anaheim, they gave nothing away free but what they did is that they included in the registration fee

a banquet ticket. I think their fee was \$30 but it also included your ticket to the banquet.

That way, if you do that and if the guy doesn't want a banquet ticket, well then, it is up to him. He can do what he wants with it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there anything further in relation to the report of the Treasurer?

MR. DAVIS: I would like to add that during the past five years you have had a 70.02 increase of money and a 48.61 percent increase in membership.

MR. LEE: In the past what?

MR. DAVIS: Five years. Since 1970, for example, there has been a 70.02 percent increase of financial value insofar as assets are concerned and a 49.61 percent increase in membership.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Does anybody else have anything else in relation to the Treasurer's Report?

If not, may we have a motion to accept the report of the Treasurer.

MR. LANE: I would so move.

MR. FLENTJE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The motion has been made by No. 6 and seconded by No. 5. Is there further discussion?

If not, all those in favor of accepting the report indicate by saying aye; opposed no. The motion is carried and the report of the Treasurer is therefore accepted.

MR. DAVIS: Let's go to your blue book, the big notebook, and turn to the red tab at the very end of the book. There is an extra agenda item page in there.

Go to the request of Bill Flentje. The agenda item is "no certification requirements to be made for two years effective June, 1976."

MR. MALACREA: No "changes", is that correct?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Insert the word "changes" after the word "requirement".

MR. DAVIS: All right.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Now, Bill, you have the floor in relation to this.

MR. FLENTJE: Well, in relation to this matter, the accompanying letter explains the opinion of the majority of our members in District No. 5.

We feel, for example, that this has been handled so frequently in the past few years that we really do not know as to whether or not any of the changes we have made are working or not working satisfactorily. Therefore, we feel we should back off and give our present requirements either a chance not to work or a chance to work.

MR. LEE: The material sent out by the Certification Committee this time, while it had the revised thing, it did not have the one before it. Have you a copy of that to hand out?

It would be the one we revised in June of 1975, last year at Anaheim. It was not in the material that was submitted to us and I was a little lost looking for the material, for example, as to just exactly how the one he has proposed this time is different from the other one.

You may remember, Frank, that in Chicago we did not do anything -- we just let it sit. This was at the Winter Board Meeting.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, you are right. However,

in relation to Lindsay's Report, he had copies of the new one there.

MR. LEE: Well, I tried to indicate that the new one was there but the old one wasn't.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There were copies of both -- just, for example, in relation to the parts he wanted to change. On the parts he wanted to change, he had a copy of the old and a copy of the newly proposed change. You can look and see that at the very end.

MR. DAVIS: Attachment C under the "Certification Report," this is his present wording in relation to membership classes.

MR. LEE: The next thing, I believe, has to do with a draft copy of the proposed changes, is that correct?

MR. DAVIS: He is changing Code II.

MR. FLENTJE: That is what he wants to do?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is one thing he desires -- he wants to make a major change in the requirements for "Actively Engaged" to be qualified to take the examination.

MR. MELIN: That was not in his report.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes it was.

MR. DAVIS: Where?

MR. LEE: What is that, Frank?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Lindsay's request to make a change.

First of all, he presented it to us at the Winter Board Meeting -- to make a change in the

"actively engaged" requirement. That is Code V, and procedures for certification.

The major idea of the change was that now no longer could someone become qualified to take the examination by just practicing as an athletic trainer for five years.

Right now, for example, an individual can become an athletic trainer just by qualifying himself for training for five years and having a college degree and that is it.

However, that is what the procedure says and Lindsay, in turn, feels that is not good. Also, the Education Committee feels that is terrible.

MR. DAVIS: The place where it reads, Frank, about voting, is in the January 5th letter of Bruce to Lindsay on page 2, No. 3 of the Requirements for Association Membership and where an opinion is expressed to the effect that it is the opinion of a considerable number of members that Associate Members should be given more privileges.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, we are not talking about that now. We are not talking about Code II memberships. We are talking about procedures for Certification, step No. 3, actively engaged.

MR. LANE: That is page 4 under "new business".

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Therefore, let us get back to the summary.

There is now a procedure that says you can be actively engaged if you have been an athletic trainer for five years and that will qualify you, in turn, to be allowed to take the certification examination.

MR. LEE: Yes, and I am aware of that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Now then, Lindsay wants to

change that. The Education Committee wants to change that and I don't think they need anything from the membership on that particular thing.

Now, how they propose to change that was that the individual who was going to practice for five years must do one of three things -- he must take a faculty trainer course, like at Northwestern or Berkshire, that is one thing he can do; or, he must work for some 900 hours with a Certified Athletic Trainer. That is another thing he can do; and, thirdly, he could submit a transcript of courses which would be reviewed by a member of the Certification Committee and the Education Committee to see if he in fact does have the educational qualifications in order to take the Certification Examination.

This is the basic idea of what Lindsay's change is and it is in several parts there.

MR. LEE: I am sorry, I was not trying to confuse anything -- I was just asking if there was a copy of the procedures of certification from June 5th so I could look and see the differences.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Right. At the back of his addendum he had in his report the old one, what the old one says, and now also what he wants the new one to say. Did you all get that?

MR. MALACREA: We just have the proposed changes.

MR. LEE: The old one, from 1975, I did not get that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We are talking about procedures for certification.

MR. LEE: However, we do not have the old one in effect right now.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I am sure you all have it

in your blue book.

MR. LEE: Mine isn't up-to-date.

In my blue book I had an old 1973 copy. I am looking for the June, 1975.

MR. DAVIS: You have a March of 1975.

MR. LEE: However, June of 1975 is the latest. In January, for example, we did not do anything -- we just turned that down.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Now, as I understand it, Bill would like us to sit with June of 1975 and Lindsay and Bud would like us to make a major change in those procedures.

MR. FLENTJE: I think we have to remember they are the ones working with this all the time and, granted, it is confusing to keep changing things and they would be the first ones to admit that there are still bugs in our certification procedure and that sort of thing and until we get the bugs worked out, we are going to have to make these changes.

Now, I think if they feel this should be done and will make their jobs easier, that is what we would like to have them do and that is what we have them there for, to make suggestions.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Let me add in here, for example, that the highest failure rate from the examination, certification examination, comes from the people who come in through Section No. 3, the "actively engaged"; which is where they are arguing for the change.

In talking to any professional group at all, it becomes quite embarrassing when someone realizes what is happening in relation to the procedure for certification, especially when somebody says "all you can do is to call yourself an athletic trainer for

five years and that, in turn, qualifies you to be certified."

To me, at any rate, it is wrong. I do not think it is a good procedure.

Not merely thinking of the theory as to whether or not we should change it, I do however think that is a very bad procedure for certification.

MR. LANE: Really, Frank, what you said is not quite a true statement.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I mean at its lowest failure or highest failure rates.

MR. LANE: That is true, but the way you said it, five years, and then you are quoting another person, then you are certified.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then you have to take the examination.

MR. LANE: However, there is also quite a bit of difference there also.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: On the other hand, there is no other profession that you can do it in and call yourself an athletic trainer and qualify to take the Board examination or anything else.

MR. LANE: Let me ask you a question, Bill.

You wrote this letter dated May 10th?

MR. FLENTJE: Yes.

MR. LANE: Did you write this letter before or after you read the proposed changes by Lindsay?

In other words, have you talked to your members?

MR. FLENTJE: That was written after our

Mid-Year Board Meeting.

MR. LANE: However, was it written before we received the report here from Lindsay that we have in our book right now as to his proposed changes?

MR. FLENTJE: I don't know.

MR. DAVIS: They probably crossed in the mail.

MR. FLENTJE: It is the same thing he gave us in January.

MR. LANE: There are some changes where they clarified a bit in relation to "Associate" and "Section No. 3". I was wondering, did you write the letter with those things in mind?

MR. FLENTJE: Not at all. It is just my general feeling that there has been too much fooling around with certification requirements.

For example, I don't think any of us in here could walk up to somebody and say "Here are the requirements for certification", and be right on all points.

Now, on this basis, how can we then expect students or prospective trainers or even certified trainers to have any credibility with us if we don't know what is going on.

MR. ANDERSON: In relation to your District, the Board, of course, would act on recommendations from the Professional Education Committee and the Certification Committee and that, in turn, would implement a change.

However, were there any specific changes they were unhappy with?

MR. FLENTJE: There was just a general

feeling. I don't think, for example, there was really one thing that was bugging them more than any other.

MR. ANDERSON: I think that one thing that happened in our District was the information, insofar as the advanced first aid and CPR Certification was concerned, that this did not get disseminated to a lot of prospective candidates for certification unless they requested this certification application and then they found out they had to scramble, you know, to get it done.

I know that in our District there were probably three or four that were eliminated from the January examination for just this reason.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I would think you would have to blame that on the District Director then, John, for not getting it out through a newsletter or some other means. You have to blame it on him.

It is, after all, up to him to let the District know of any changes the Board of Directors make regarding policy.

MR. MALACREA: It would seem to me, however, if someone enters into a program of certification on a given date, they become an Associate Member and they state they are working towards certification -- that then, the existing legislation is what they would have to be guided by.

In other words, you would have to "grandfather" everybody at different dates.

MR. LANE: In other words, like any college unit. There, for example, you go through school under their particular catalog. For example, if you entered in 1936 and dropped out and went back later, for example, in 1976, to get your degree, you would still come under their catalog of 1936.

MR. MALACREA: That is what I said to a

couple of members who came to me about this and I put them on to Lindsay and said, "I think you should appeal your case, I think you have justification -- you entered with these requirements in mind and you are fulfilling them."

In the case of one particular individual, she was all set to take the test and then they put more requirements on top.

I told her, "I think it is justified that you should be allowed to take the certification examination and then go on to fill the additional requirements and not fill the requirements first before you have to take the examination." She was then allowed to do this.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think that Lindsay does that with almost anyone not meeting the requirements like that. He will allow them to take an examination and when their requirements come in, then they receive the certification -- at least insofar as I know.

MR. MALACREA: However, what I am saying is that they should not have to take it.

MR. LEE: If you start in 1975 under what we had in 1975?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I have to disagree with you, Dick. When you make a rule, you have to do it. There are too many special cases. They all have to play by the rules.

MR. LEE: If a kid enters school, say in September of 1975, entered last fall, okay, and then this fall another kid enters school and we change a little bit, well, the kid that entered school in 1975 has to catch up to what we have now in 1976 as a part of the requirements. If not, it would be an impossible bookkeeping mess to try to figure out what is going on all the time.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I agree with you, which is also a relatively minor thing.

The CPR Course, for example, they can get at almost any hospital in one afternoon.

Well, okay, let's get back to this.

Bill, have you made a motion?

MR. FLENTJE: I would so move -- that we make no changes in the certification requirements.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We have the motion that there be no changes in certification requirements.

Now, we have talked about this time after time and all I can say is that if we pass this right now, Bill, it will not mean too much because if, tomorrow, we want to make a change in certification, then all someone has to do is to make a motion and the Board votes and if the majority indicate a change -- well, you know what I mean -- we change it.

This is the way we have been operating for the last six or eight years. We have changed things such as this in a minute in past Board Meetings.

In other words, the only thing we cannot change at a Board Meeting is something in relation to the Bylaws or Constitution, is that right, Bruce?

MR. MELIN: You can change a Bylaw but not the Constitution.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, we can change a Bylaw then but that is about it.

MR. DAVIS: You have a motion before you.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, there is a motion before us. Is there further discussion?

Now, as I say, I personally think it is a bad

motion because I think right now there is a bad flaw in the procedure for certification and I think it needs to be changed.

MR. DAVIS: How do we know?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Because it is unrealistic to think you can be a trainer merely by practicing on your own for five years and calling yourself a trainer.

MR. FLENTJE: But you cannot do that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes you can.

MR. FLENTJE: You have to first pass the test.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, and take the test.

MR. CHAMBERS: There is one fault you get from some of the other organizations about taking the test.

It would be, for example, like an individual saying he is a Physiotherapist for five years and being able to take the State Boards. That is what we get concerned about. I have received some flak in relation to that also.

I would like to see maybe Bill's motion come into effect after we change what they desire this year -- change it now and then maybe live with it for a couple of years and see how it goes. I think this would be a much more workable solution than merely passing your motion now, Bill, and then not really do what they have suggested because evidently they think it would be a much better procedure to follow the suggestions made by them.

Now, I don't know whether we are putting the cart before the horse or just what but maybe we could go ahead and approve what they want to do and then you can bring in your motion and work it on this basis.

MR. DAVIS: You can certainly table this motion.

MR. LANE: I am kind of with you, Bill on that, because I have to consider one other thing that Lindsay indicates in his report.

For example, Lindsay wants to give up his position and they are going to have to put a new person in there and we are going to have to help him and this would be one possible way to help him.

I would not want to vote for this right now, Bill but I would be very much for it after we make some changes because I still think there are some changes that need to be made in our procedures of certification in order to put more teeth into them.

MR. FLENTJE: Okay. I would be amenable to that but I really feel we need to sit down and take a stand someplace, be it now or later, perhaps, and say "sorry about that, we are not going to do it, you had your chance in January and blew it." Or, whether we make the changes now but, at any rate, let them know that as a condition for granting the changes that there will be X number of years in which there will be no changes -- "you are going to have to live with this and that will be it", because I think we have to give some of these things an opportunity to work a little longer, be it by our judgment or whatever it is. This is especially true if that test is going to be worth anything at all.

MR. MALACREA: Let me ask you a question.

With regard to the individuals who are Associate Members right now and working toward certification, will they have to live by the changes or by the procedures for certification they came under?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They will have two years to get in under the procedures the way they are. If they do not apply for special certification within two

years, then, no, they have to live by the rules the way they are. Therefore, they have two years to do it.

MR. FLENTJE: We are back in the ball game for special considerations.

MR. ANDERSON: As I understand this, it says "two years from date of initial membership -- is that right?

MR. DAVIS: From date of certification, not application, but Board action.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Two years from when the Board makes it official.

Well now, okay, we have a motion.

MR. FLENTJE: I will be willing to table action on the motion until after the report of the Certification Committee.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Can we do that, Bruce?

MR. MELIN: First of all, there was no second to the motion and so it can die for want of a second.

MR. LEE: I will second Bill's motion for no changes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay, the motion has been seconded and is therefore properly before us.

We have already had discussion on it but, is there further discussion?

If not, Bill, do you want to move to table the motion or what?

MR. FLENTJE: I will move that we table this until after the report of the Certification Committee, and discussion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All right, the motion is to table this until after we have had our report and action on the Certification Committee Report. Is that the motion, Bill?

MR. FLENTJE: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there a second?

MR. CHAMBERS: I will second the motion to table.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All in favor of tabling as indicated, say aye; any opposed?

The motion is carried by a vote of 8-0.

MR. MALACREA: I don't read this to the effect that these people have to meet the requirements of new certification.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: After two years they do.

MR. MALACREA: In other words, there is a grandfather clause built in there?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Two years, yes.

Now, what the Board had initially recommended was a five-year grace period and Lindsay thought that was too long and I also think five years is a long time.

I think two years ought to get everybody.

MR. DAVIS: That is not on your agenda.

Now, would you like to move to No. 37 on the agenda having to do with student memberships?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: If there is no objection, we will go to item No. 37, having to do with student membership.

MR. DAVIS: I would like to submit a proposal for your consideration --- namely to eliminate high school student membership, that clause, under the classification of "membership".

Now, the reason for that is that our greatest problem is one of changes of members. For example, it involves these young students, who generally join for only one year and then their interest, after that time, drops and they very often drop out. However, while they are a member, it is costing us money to put them on the membership rolls and, likewise, they receive their Journals.

Then, following that, as they become delinquent in dues, they start receiving the delinquent dues notices and this involves secretarial costs, postage, etc., and therefore, in general, we are presently losing money on these high school students.

Therefore, on that basis, I would like to have you consider the elimination of the high school student membership and increase the college student dues from \$8 to \$10.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Along the same line, if this is done, let me also bring to your attention that I talked to our insurance representative today. We have a new one because the gentleman who met with us last year is no longer with the organization. However, they are continuing to carry our program and everything is the same as it was.

Now, in conversation with them, I find that our present liability insurance does not cover student members.

A student cannot get any liability insurance.

Now, on the other hand, by us deleting the high school student, they will be able to write liability insurance for the college student trainer, provided this person is under the supervision of a

Certified Trainer and he is enrolled in a university working toward a degree.

MR. FLENTJE: Does that involve, for example, any kind of a degree?

MR. DAVIS: He stated -- working toward a degree to become an athletic trainer. However, I think this applies as long as he is working toward a degree. At any rate, that was the conversation yesterday and in our conversation today it is that if the individual is a college student and he is working under a Certified Trainer as a student trainer, he would have the same type of coverage, \$200,000-\$600,000-\$200,000, and the rate would be \$20 a year.

Therefore, that is why I would like to see the high school students dropped.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: How many of these individuals are there now on our membership rolls?

MR. DAVIS: That I do not know.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I believe we previously asked the District Secretary for that information. I know that there are very, very few in relation to our particular District. We have some 2,000 students and if you look at your delinquent list, you can see that the majority of those that have been removed are student members.

Well, is anybody opposed to that idea?

Do you think we are hurting anybody or anything?

MR. CHAMBERS: What about those individuals who are taking the Cramer Student Training Course? You are not going to let them in, even though there is an avout interest in that training?

MR. DAVIS: Well, if he is a high school student, he is not coming in.

Here is another thing that is happening -- the coaches are sending these high school students to the Cramer Course and they come back and you know, he is Mr. Neurosurgeon. The coach, when asked, says, "yes, I have a trainer" and this is generally Johnny over in the 9th grade and he is the trainer for the school. Therefore, it looks good and all of that.

I did talk to them and they say, "oh, yes, he took the Cramer Course."

To me, this is a hill of beans.

MR. LANE: Let me indicate that we already have basically done this in relation to District No. 6 and we are one of the biggest problems for Otho in connection with the high school student trainer, as you can see, for example, from the number of delinquents we have.

We started last year allowing them to register for our Annual Meeting and, in the past, when they registered for the Annual Meeting, there was an automatic membership in the NATA and this past year we gave them the option -- they could sign up at one price for the Annual Meeting without a membership or they could, if they had an interest, sign up for the convention or the Annual Meeting, the Annual District Meeting and membership and we had very few that took advantage of that.

MR. DAVIS: There is in the Bylaws a provision that if you belong to a District you also have to belong to the National. Therefore, I think there is great interest right now in forming of state associations. This is where the student membership or student member can be absorbed or they can do like they do in District No. 6 and call it the Southwest Student's Trainers Association.

MR. LANE: It is the Student Athletic Training Association -- the SATA.

MR. ANDERSON: Is that for high school only?

MR. LANE: Both college and high school. They created this themselves.

The college student trainers came to us in District 6 and wanted an organization of their own and it is basically for officers, with the President being a college student trainer, the Vice President a high school student trainer, the Secretary a college student trainer and the Treasurer a high school student trainer. They alternate.

Thus far, they are in their second year of existence and this has worked out real well.

MR. DAVIS: Might I also mention a little bit in relation to insurance.

Mr. Lang stated to me today that if the state association is formed and they come to our insurance people, they will not honor them and write them liability insurance for it. Anyone who is an Athletic Trainer has to belong to the NATA to have liability insurance through our Maginnis Program.

Therefore, with regard to the splintering off into state associations, if we do form them, you will still have to be a member of NATA to get our liability coverage.

I think this is something that we have worked on as an association very hard, likewise you as a Board of Directors, and I know that since I have been on here, it took three years to get this and was the most reasonable rate we could ever find. I am personally proud of the fact we have it and it is something that we do have and we can give to our membership.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay, is there any more discussion on this high school student membership?

MR. ANDERSON: Would you ever foresee a time when, in the American Physical Therapy Association, requirements towards certification were reduced to

graduates of approved schools only, that student membership would be limited to those students only in an approved athletic training curriculum and further limiting of student members?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I would think so.

MR. ANDERSON: Because of those comments, and I just looked over the list and, as Secretary for District 10, to my knowledge, there is only one student that is a high school student but there are a bundle on there I know personally have graduated from college and then dropped off.

MR. DAVIS: There is something else we are going to have to talk about. I know we will do it at the meeting of the Secretaries.

I will be willing to bet that those who have graduated from college and been dropped because of the delinquency, they were student trainers in college that had no desire to ever go into the profession and the head trainer at that school probably paid that individual's dues, as I did when at Duke. I had kids who were in pre-med, pre-religion and you name it and who knew good and well they would never be a professional trainer. However, we had a little fund there that belonged to the Association and this gave them something in the way of membership.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, if we ever get to that point, to answer your questions, the answer is "yes". Again, if we ever get to that point, my answer to your question would be "yes".

MR. LANE: I personally, because this has come up so late, have not had an opportunity to contact and/or talk to anybody in District No. 6 about it. I personally would like to have an opportunity to talk to our Secretary and to the Officers of District 6 and also some of our members.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We talked to Jim, both Otho and I did, and I believe that was way back, and

at that time he indicated to us he was in favor of it.

MR. LANE: I know he is in favor but, at that time, we were talking in general terms. However, now we are talking more in relation to specifics.

MR. DAVIS: Another problem you have in Texas is that I don't think you can bill a minor in the State of Texas.

MR. LANE: That is right.

MR. WALL: Let's put an age limit on it, say, 18 years of age. That will eliminate the billing of minors.

MR. DAVIS: Well, but getting back to the liability insurance program, that is the way I want it stated -- he has to be a college student to be a member.

MR. FLENTJE: As I look at this, you are trying to do two things at once.

For example, you are trying to eliminate the high school student but you are also trying to get the college student trainer sitting on him and trying to get him something.

MR. MALACREA: On the other hand, how do we feel about the trainer programs?

This question has been raised.

MR. DAVIS: In talking with Bud, this is something they are also going to talk about.

MR. MALACREA: Because we have endorsed the program.

MR. DAVIS: I think there are going to be fewer endorsements of the high school programs.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I don't know how many of you read my letter to both you and Bud. I did send a copy to Otho, about this endorsement of this program and the real thing was that when it came down to sign that Certificate of Achievement, some of these kids, for example, could not tape an ankle after three days -- really could not. It was terrible. I really felt guilty in signing that particular Certificate of Achievement.

This is the kind of thing that brought it all about.

I think, therefore, we have to start questioning some of those workshops and programs for the students.

MR. DAVIS: This has, on a couple of occasions, been embarrassing to me.

We have been dealing with Congressman Forsythe's Office and at one time Congressman Dellums and, likewise, we are dealing with HEW in Washington and, when we do that, the first question they ask is "how many members do you have?"

Now, when we look at the bottom line, we find we have some 4500.

They then ask as to the various classifications and then, when we start reading them off, we find, for example, we have 1,000 who are certified and then, when we get down to the students, 2,000 or whatever the total there is. All of this has been a little embarrassing to us.

For example, half of our membership, at least almost half, is composed of students.

MR. ANDERSON: Well, if the high school student is eliminated, then the burden will still be on our insurance agency to see which of the student members are eligible for liability insurance coverage because

all student members in the Association are not college students.

MR. DAVIS: Well, when the application form is sent out, there will be a provision in relation to the trainer, for example, that his supervisor has to sign that particular application.

Also, next year, when he submits his next \$20 for his coverage, that same person, his supervisor, has to also sign a card stating he is still under his supervision.

MR. ANDERSON: However, I don't believe we could make Maginnis do that, at least now the way our membership is constructed, is that correct?

MR. DAVIS: Because they will not write a student membership policy.

They are doing it for student nurses but they do not do it for high school student nurses -- you have to be a college student.

MR. ANDERSON: A college student?

Well, he has to be more than a college student -- he has to be, for example, a college student under a certified trainer and we are limiting student membership in the Association.

MR. DAVIS: I personally will not back attempting to write a liability policy for a high school student, would you?

MR. ANDERSON: No.

However, what I am saying is that all student members in the Association will still not be able, with the high school aspect eliminated, to apply for liability insurance.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I don't think they should

be, in no way.

We keep talking about these poor kids in a small college who are receiving tuition, for example, to be a college trainer. I think it is time for that college to get a regular trainer.

MR. DAVIS: You are fighting the whole thing.

You are trying to put a certified trainer in every school and, way out in the hinterlands here, for example, they are paying a student some \$4500 in the form of tuition for being a trainer.

MR. ANDERSON: Maybe what I am trying to then say is this -- do you want to go a step further and say the only perpetual new members for student members are those students that are actually working under a certified trainer?

MR. DAVIS: Well, we are not going to eliminate what we have.

MR. ANDERSON: I am talking about new members, because we are, as I understand it, talking about three potential classifications of student members that can come in -- high school students, college students working on their own in a small college or student membership under a certified trainer.

MR. DAVIS: Well, if a guy is out there on his own and is a college student -- well, for example, I went through this. I did not work under anybody. I am sorry, you are just not covered if you are not working under a certified trainer.

MR. ANDERSON: However, you are talking in relation to insurance and I am talking now from the standpoint of becoming a new member. We are talking about high school students. For example, let us say that a month from now a high school student cannot become a new member but can the same apply to a college student not working under a certified trainer?

MR. WALL: Yes, but they would not be eligible for the insurance.

MR. LEE: Well, as I see it, you are talking about two entirely different things.

MR. DAVIS: Yes, two entirely different things.

MR. CHAMBERS: On the other hand, if we are losing money on them and there is a liability standpoint, that is one aspect of it.

Now, do you want something in the form of a motion?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Perhaps we ought to have one at this point.

MR. CHAMBERS: Then I would move that we accept Otho's suggestion to eliminate the high school membership and increase the student dues from eight to ten dollars.

MR. FLENTJE: I will second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You have before you the motion and the second, which is to eliminate the high school membership and increase student dues from \$8 to \$10. Is there more discussion on this?

MR. LEE: Therefore, the two big reasons to report to the membership on this would be, first of all, we are losing money?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Also, you will have eliminated a load of administrative work.

MR. DAVIS: You would be eliminating, for example, the postage involved in just three letters going out with regard to dues delinquency.

MR. FLENTJE: And this, I presume, would also involve changes of address and the like.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there further discussion?

MR. MALACREA: We are going to endorse the students that are working now or are we not going to let them come into student membership?

MR. DAVIS: We will not accept any more high school student members. High school student members presently on the rolls will remain there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Why don't we add that to it, Bill.

MR. FLENTJE: Fine.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then we will also add to the motion the provision that high school students on the rolls presently will remain, as of June 1, 1976 will remain.

I will personally send a letter to Cramer on that.

MR. FLENTJE: Well, how do they feel about this?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I don't think they will be happy about it.

MR. FLENTJE: They are not aware of it, I guess. However, are they aware of what are going to be the effects here?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I think through correspondence with them, they realized my personal feelings on the workshops and my serious doubts about the effectiveness of the high school trainer who is not supervised by a certified trainer.

MR. MALACREA: One more thing. Are we going to allow new memberships in relation to student trainers at the college level who are not supervised by a

certified trainer?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We did not change that aspect of it.

MR. MALACREA: We are going to accept members who cannot be covered in relation to the liability insurance?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. DAVIS: That is their responsibility or problem, or that of their particular school.

MR. MALACREA: It could cause problems for us indirectly with regard to these individuals, could it not?

MR. DAVIS: Not with us.

MR. MALACREA: However, they are members of the Association.

MR. DAVIS: On the other hand, we are not writing the rules in relation to liability. Our insurance agents are.

MR. MALACREA: The only point I am trying to make is that if this should ever come to the point of where a member of NATA has incurred some liability.

MR. DAVIS: It is all right.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: While we are talking about this, let me ask -- do you want to make the change? Is this really the time to make the change?

For example, Dick, do you want it?

MR. MALACREA: That is what I am suggesting.

If we are going to eliminate that, then I think

we have to consider eliminating the student trainer at the college level not supervised by a certified trainer because we are saying we do not think that he is capable of doing a job without jeopardizing himself and his institution.

MR. LANE: I think all we have to do is use a little discretion in the signing of the application. I think it has to be signed by a sponsor, a certified member. In other words, your District Secretary and District Director is supposed to see to that.

Therefore, what I mean is that it can be handled at the grassroots level.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: How about further comments?

MR. MALACREA: I think it would be better handled at this level rather than with a little subterfuge.

MR. MELIN: With regard to this signature business, I would be careful of that, especially if you do not have a policy pertaining to it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, do you feel we should not allow that kid to be a member of the Association?

MR. MALACREA: For those reasons, yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: How about you, Craig?

MR. LEWELLYN: I think he should be a member.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, Bill, in relation to that kid, do you think he should be a member of the Association or not -- the boy who is working in a college, who is not working under a certified trainer, a kid on his own, should he be a member of the Association?

MR. MALACREA: For example, the kid who graduated from Cramer's Course and went to college and

is now the trainer with one course under his belt.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I see.

How do some of the rest of you feel about this?

MR. ANDERSON: The policy in our district is that if there is somebody who shows interest in the Association and in the profession, we will assign a sponsor to him because of this interest. However, if there is a policy against it, something we could all go back on -- almost like here, for example, is you have a fellow out there working on his own anyway, at least if he begins to develop a sort of professional identification, you know, maybe he is not getting anything. However, now, in the present situation, he is receiving the Journal and also getting some other information. Likewise, he has contact with other members.

Maybe all of that, in turn, is going to help him professionally.

MR. WALL: Well, I am in a sort of the middle of the road position.

MR. CHAMBERS: I am like this -- I am waivering. I am saying "no" but, again, I don't want to do anything that is going to be a disservice to somebody.

MR. MALACREA: I feel for him also.

MR. CHAMBERS: I don't know -- just don't know which way I want to go.

MR. LEE: I think I agree with John completely -- to let him still be a member, don't discriminate against him at all.

There are other places to nail him up the road. I think that is what you have to do.

MR. DAVIS: You as a Director can nail him

down through your membership classes, etc., because he can only be recommended by the trainer, preferably the certified or associate member or the team physician, but his application should be approved by you as a District Secretary.

MR. LEE: That is certainly correct.

MR. DAVIS: Then, if you don't want the individual, don't approve it.

MR. LEE: If you really know he is a jerk -- well, you know what I mean.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: In most of the cases I remember, especially as a District Director, well, you generally did not know the kid. He had no-one to sign for him.

MR. ANDERSON: Warren was a Secretary and that is where you get the information when you get the application.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, Eddie, what do you think?

MR. LANE: Well, I am inclined to sit on the fence.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Does everybody want to wait until you have an opportunity to talk to your Districts about it?

MR. LANE: No.

MR. MALACREA: I think that is a good idea.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: About that particular thing.

Of course, we do have a motion and a second and I think we ought to do something about it.

MR. DAVIS: Either one way or the other.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Again, we have a motion and a second.

Perhaps you should go to the Districts and see how they feel about this.

MR. MALACREA: Perhaps we can table this.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think we can vote on this right now. Does everybody understand the motion?

It is to eliminate the high school student membership. High school students now on the rolls, as of June 1, 1976, will remain.

Also, to increase the dues from \$8 to \$10.

The motion was made by District No. 8 and seconded by No. 5.

Is there further discussion?

MR. MELIN: I need to clarify a couple of things.

With the elimination of the student membership applications from students, that, as I understand it, will be effective right now and, in relation to the dues for the college student membership, does that increase now or on January 1, 1977?

MR. DAVIS: January 1, 1977.

MR. MELIN: We have here a matter of effective dates pertaining to the details here.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I am going to clarify it.

MR. MELIN: The high school student presently a member will be permitted to continue his membership?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, and I have that.

MR. MELIN: Now, next year, until he either drops out or becomes a student?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, here is what it says now.

Eliminate the high school members. There is a motion to eliminate that. No high school applications will be accepted after June 10, 1976. High school students on the rolls as of June 10, 1976, will remain as long as they pay their dues.

No. 2 of that same motion is to increase the college student dues from \$8 to \$10 as of January 1, 1977.

That is the motion before us.

MR. LANE: Let me ask you, Otho, is \$10 enough?

MR. DAVIS: I can go to \$12.

MR. LEE: That would make it \$15 in total in relation to my District.

MR. CHAMBERS: I think I would leave it at \$10.

MR. DAVIS: \$10 gives you a break-even point.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Very well, a break-even point at \$10, is that right?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay. That is now the motion and the second as before you. Is there further discussion?

Do you all have the motion clearly in mind?

All in favor of the motion raise your hand;

Is there anybody opposed? The motion is carried.

MR. LEE: You know, Frank, Otho brought up a good point.

He said, as I remember it, that \$10 is a break-even point.

I know, Otho, it is a little more work but if you can show the District members, you know, something like this, where, for example, \$10 is just enabling you to break even, I think you would have a lot more support at the District level from the students.

You know, mailing costs have increased tremendously. In my case, whenever I mail something out, it is almost a dollar now.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You mean the Journal?

MR. LEE: Yes, that is a part of what I mean. I think you can show them, for example, that their \$8 is eaten up in the mailing before you even pay for the Journal.

MR. DAVIS: Well, will you please take your manuals and let me give you some corrections or changes in relation to them.

On your blue sheets, Student Code No. 4, qualifications for membership -- the person who is a full-time student in a junior high school. That is the only thing we have there and then, on the next page, the dues will then be \$10.

MR. LEE: And that is effective when?

MR. DAVIS: January 1, 1977.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Student applications will be effective right now. No more high school students.

MR. LEE: No, no, I mean dues.

MR. DAVIS: Dues are changed as of January 1, 1977. That is the only place it is mentioned in here.

Wait a minute, go over to your Bylaws, Article XXVI, Application for Membership, here scratch the high school aspect.

MR. MELIN: Actually it is the Bylaws that we are changing.

The other description is just a supplement, which is exactly the same.

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: As I understand it, we are in the Bylaws at the present time, in the membership part, under No. 4, student Code No. 4 -- meaning that the student trainer must be recommended by the trainer, preferably an NATA certified or associate member, coach or team physician under whom he is working.

MR. MELIN: That was always considered the first recommendation.

The membership procedure is the same.

MR. DAVIS: However, it doesn't say that. It says he can be recommended and the Director and Secretary are not recommending him.

MR. MELIN: Any member has to be recommended by a certified athletic trainer.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, you don't say that over here in the Bylaws.

MR. MELIN: It doesn't say that in any of the specific classifications but that is it. It does not say that insofar as certified members are concerned.

MR. MALACREA: Where is the other one?

For example, I am on membership but where else are you?

I am on the Bylaws, I am sorry.

MR. DAVIS: In the "student" and then two pages over under Section No. 2, election of members.

MR. MELIN: That applies to all membership classifications and it doesn't say that in any of the other classifications either, but that provision applies to all memberships.

MR. DAVIS: How did we get that in there then?

MR. MELIN: We are using it, are we not?

MR. FLENTJE: Then his membership is in conflict with our other guidelines.

MR. MELIN: Guidelines with regard to what?

MR. FLENTJE: Election to membership.

MR. ANDERSON: I think you would need to delete that last sentence.

MR. FLENTJE: That last sentence is meaningless under student Code No. 4.

MR. LEE: The sentence that he must be recommended by the trainer is meaningless?

MR. FLENTJE: It has to be.

MR. MELIN: The idea of the original student thing was the person would be recommended by somebody he was working with, either the trainer, coach or team physician. This would be as a first step in getting membership under a student classification.

Then, after that, it would go through the regular membership procedure. Anyway, you have to be

recommended by a certified trainer and then it goes to the Membership Committee.

MR. DAVIS: Well, all right.

However, they are not all doing it, you see.

There are sometimes two and most of the time one signature only. Also, the Director and the Secretary, these people, at least nine times out of ten, do not know their students.

MR. MELIN: That applies to all the other membership classifications also.

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

However, it also opens up the door for that coach again.

MR. FLENTJE: He becomes a student member when signed by the coach or whoever it is.

MR. MELIN: However, that is only one step.

MR. FLENTJE: That lets him through the door.

MR. DAVIS: What is step No. 2?

MR. MELIN: Getting recommended by the Certified Trainer.

MR. WALL: I think that is stated on the application.

MR. MELIN: It says that on the election of members, Section No. 8.

Section No. 2 applies to all members. If it isn't being used then, that is something else.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: On the application there is a spot that says "Certified Trainer".

That has to be signed before it can be sent to either the District Director or the District Secretary.

MR. FLENTJE: However, there is no other provision for this other person to sign.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: On the student application, there is not a place for the other person's name?

MR. FLENTJE: I don't think so.

MR. BRUCE: Also, the original idea was that it was to be done by letter.

MR. ANDERSON: If we have any applications, the front page is exactly the same on any application -- students or others.

MR. MELIN: You just check off the classification.

MR. ANDERSON: Yes.

MR. DAVIS: It is supposed to be "approved by", and then there is the name of the sponsor and a place for his certification number, and then it is supposed to be approved by your District Committee -- it should be your Director and the Secretary should sign that.

MR. ANDERSON: I would like to make a motion that the last sentence under Student Code No. 4 that states "he must be recommended by his trainer, preferably NATA Certified or Associate member, Coach or Team Physician under whom working," that that sentence be deleted and do I need to state a reason?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. ANDERSON: The reason being that for him to become a member the only signature required is by an NATA certified member. Therefore, other recommendations

are not required.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Bruce, how do you feel about that? Is that a change in membership?

MR. DAVIS: It is a change in the Bylaws.

MR. BRUCE: Originally, when student membership was initiated, it was felt somewhat differently about it than it seems to be now -- that it was to be to the advantage to have these people start getting membership and, hopefully, they would gain interest and become possible applicants for athletic training curriculums.

It was recognized that there was a little less knowledge on the part of these people in high schools than in the colleges. It was felt, further, that the team physician or coach or, if possible, a trainer in high school would recommend him.

In the procedure, there was an additional procedure to the membership application of faculty members and others who are actually eligible for Associate or Active, whatever it was at the time.

Therefore, the procedure for the student trainer in high school and college, of course, going under the same classification was that this was then additional steps in which he would have some recognition and he would be doing some of these things.

At any rate, that, in brief form, is the history of it and in the election of members, Section No. 2, that was what the procedure was thought to be in any case for a member to have his application approved.

For example, one of the first things was he would be recommended by a Certified Athletic Trainer.

This, on the other hand, does not have to be a person he is working with but somebody who knew him.

Then, in turn, it would go to the District Committee for the usual procedures of finalization and sending to the National Office for actual enrollment.

MR. DAVIS: The word "coach" is in here. It was mainly for the high school student.

MR. MELIN: Yes.

MR. DAVIS: However, we have eliminated that and so let's scratch that out.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: John, did you make a motion we scratch that first sentence?

MR. ANDERSON: Yes.

MR. DAVIS: "The application must be signed by a certified trainer".

MR. ANDERSON: We do not need that because that is under election of members.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, is there a second to John's motion?

MR. ANDERSON: We will also have to scratch that from the blue sheet.

MR. MELIN: The white sheets in the Bylaws are the official part of this. The blue sheets are just copies of that and this would be revised in accordance with the Bylaws.

MR. CHAMBERS: Do you want to say, for example, he must be recommended by a trainer or coach?

...Cries of "yes"...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Now, however, we are talking about a Bylaws change.

...Cries of "right"...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Change in wording of the Bylaws?

MR. MELIN: Right.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There is a motion made by District No. 10, seconded by District No. 2, to delete, under Code No. 4 the last sentence which states that he must be recommended by a trainer, preferably an NATA Certified or Associate Member, coach or team physician under whom working."

Now, that involves a Bylaws change, is that right?

MR. MELIN: Correct.

MR. CHAMBERS: Can you repeat that again?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Delete under Code No. 4, students, the last sentence in the first paragraph under qualifications for membership which reads -- "Must be recommended by the trainer, preferably an NATA Certified or Associate Member, Coach or Team Physician under whom he is working."

Now, that was originally put in for the high school trainer and there are no more new applicants from high school trainers and that is why we are taking it out, with still the understanding among all the Directors that any applications must be signed by a Certified Athletic Trainer. That is also stated in another part of the Bylaws.

MR. MELIN: You could interpret that as a signature from somebody on the Membership Committee as well.

MR. LEE: There have been a lot of secretaries receive applications even from students in college and no-one ever signs for them.

MR. FLENTJE: Amen.

MR. LEE: They just keep drifting in.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There is a way each District Director can police that kid who is working in the College all by himself and who has nobody to sign for him. He just does not become a member, for example, until he can get a Certified Athletic Trainer to sign for him.

MR. ANDERSON: That is just what we are talking about.

You know, this kid comes to you, to me, as a Director or a Secretary and says "but I don't know any other Certified Trainer and I am interested."

PRESIDENT GEORGE: On the other hand, where do you learn to be a trainer without knowing a Certified Trainer?

Do you pick it up by osmosis?

If we do, then we have a hell of a profession. He would have to learn somewhere.

For example, he had to learn to be a trainer in relation to that college where he was a so-called student trainer -- he had to learn it somewhere.

MR. LEE: I don't think that is going to be a problem.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: For example, he had to learn how to tape an ankle and do some of these other procedures.

MR. ANDERSON: But not necessarily from a certified trainer. This is what we were talking about before then -- these people that you are going to eliminate from student membership.

MR. MALACREA: The District Directors then are going to get out from under it by saying "go find

somebody who will sign" and then that individual, in turn, will have to scratch and find a certified member who will sign for him.

However, on the other hand, once he finds somebody, is it incumbent upon the Membership Committee and the Director and Secretary to process the application?

MR. LEE: Yes.

MR. MALACREA: Is it?

MR. DAVIS: It is or the National Office is not going to accept the applications anymore that are not signed by both of those people.

MR. MALACREA: By a Certified Trainer and District Director?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Three Certified people have to sign an application.

MR. MALACREA: However, my point is this -- that if he finds somebody, then it has to go through and you cannot stop it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay, we have a motion and a second. Have we had enough discussion?

All in favor indicate by saying aye; opposed no. It is carried by a vote of 8-0.

MR. MALACREA: I wonder if I might raise a point with you, Bruce, in relation to this.

It says here, with regard to election of members, Section No. 2, "applications for membership shall be directed to the District Director and accepted or rejected by the Membership Committee of the District."

Now, my Membership Committee Chairman has asked me if everything can go through him. Evidently

it is very confusing in District No. 1 and District No. 2 to have applications coming to the Secretary, to the Membership Chairman and to the District Director.

Evidently a lot of time is lost, a lot of mistakes are made by these applications going to one of three people.

How do you feel about that? Is that something that, as it states in our Bylaws, all these applications should be seen by the District Director first and then followed through?

MR. MELIN: Well, I would not quibble about the interpretation that way, as long as the Director eventually has a part in the approval, final approval for the District.

MR. DAVIS: I personally think this should go to the Secretary first, let him process it or, if it is not correct, he has the responsibility for returning it.

MR. MALACREA: In our situation, Gene has requested that everything go right to him rather than to Joe or me. He says it has to come to him eventually to get straightened out anyway.

MR. DAVIS: Well, if Gene wants to do it that way, let him do it that way. However, I think one of those people should do it first.

MR. MELIN: I think it is probably better procedure.

Historically, the reason for this again is when these were written they probably, some of them, were not caught or revisions in connection with some of the District organizations were not too complete. Further, the District Director was really handling a lot of other matters and it is essentially a final responsibility of his. However, I don't see any purpose in quibbling over some of these procedures.

MR. MALACREA: Therefore, it would be acceptable in our District to say to our Secretary and other people who are getting requests from, say other people, "we want you to direct your requests to our Membership Chairman and let him process everything"?

MR. MELIN: Well, the Membership Committee is going to have a meeting and we might consider this, especially if there were to be a recommended change to establish a more uniform procedure, which I think is very desirable, and to revise it so that it makes it more workable. As I say, we are supposed to have a meeting on Sunday and if we do this and get it in, then we might make a revision that would be acceptable to all of the Membership Committee members.

MR. DAVIS: Of course, we can send a Directive from the Board to Bruce and it would then be established and it would eliminate the confusion.

MR. MALACREA: That is a request in connection with one District but I don't know what has happened earlier.

MR. ANDERSON: This is a big hassle because at one of the meetings of the Secretaries we mentioned about the time loss in processing applications. Since that time, our District Membership Committee has indicated that if it is a routine application, one in relation to which it does not look like there is any question, then go ahead.

Usually, with Dick, we do it in connection with a phone call and if they are coming in like at the rate of maybe ten or twelve a month or something, I just read them over the telephone and get telephone approval and then sign.

However, this came to be a problem because of the date of membership.

There is a problem as to when that date actually is. For example, is it when they sign the

check, when they dated the application, when the Director signed it or what. Is it when the Secretary filled out the membership report.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It is the date of the check. I believe that has been the way we have looked at it among the Board.

MR. MALACREA: Well, that is a pain because, as you know, the Administrative Assistant never sees the check, when the check is filled out.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Who is the Administrative Assistant?

MR. MALACREA: Well, Mrs. Franklin. When I send it to the National Office, for example, they never see the check and there is one date on the Membership Report and that is the date it is sent in from the District Secretary.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I believe that we, the Board, decided, because of all of the trouble in relation to certification one year, that the date the man makes the application and dates his check, that is the date.

MR. DAVIS: If it came down to a question, then it goes back to the check.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The date of the check, yes.

MR. CHAMBERS: Does he make a note on the application of the date of the check?

MR. ANDERSON: Again, Mrs. Franklin never sees the check. The secretary sees the check and cashes it.

MR. WALL: However, the date of the application is on the application itself and that is all the Secretary has to go by. In other words make the check in that they agree.

MR. CHAMBERS: They never seem to do that, however.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I don't think there is any further need to discuss this. Let's get on with some other Committee Reports.

Now, the next item has to do with the Election of a Vice President.

As you know, Eddie is going off the Board and it is time to elect a new Vice President. This is item No. 34 on the agenda, Election of a Vice President.

Perhaps I should go over the list of people eligible.

They are Wes Jordan, Dick Malacrea, Bill Flentje, Cash Birdwell, Warren Lee, Bill Chambers, Tom Wall and Larry Standard. Those are the people who are eligible.

...At this point, it was severally moved and seconded that the name of Mr. Flentje be placed in nomination...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The name of Bill Flentje has been placed in nomination.

Are there further nominations?

MR. CHAMBERS: I would move that nominations be closed and that Bill Flentje be declared unanimously elected to the office of Vice President.

...The motion again was severally seconded...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We have a motion to the effect that nominations be closed and Bill be declared unanimously elected.

All in favor say aye; opposed no. It is unanimously carried.

Bill, congratulations, you have been elected Vice President by a vote of 8-0.

Now, we will go to item No. 35, in relation to the appointment of the Executive Director.

MR. FLENTJE: I would move for the appointment of Otho Davis as Executive Director.

MR. LANE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Are you still crazy?

MR. DAVIS: As long as the Xerox doesn't break down. (Laughter)

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The motion before you is to reappoint Otho Davis for the year 1976. Is there discussion?

If not, all in favor of the appointment or reappointment of Otho Davis indicate by saying aye; opposed no. It is unanimous and congratulations to you, Otho.

Now, let us go to item No. 1 having to do with audio-visual aids. This is the first item.

I think you have all read the material pertaining to it.

The bibliography, as I understand it, is almost ready.

As a matter of fact, they promised it to us by September of 1976.

I think they have a pretty good working committee doing this, with the Committee members he wanted and I think that all of this is at least encouraging.

They are also talking about some new projects

for NATA, a film library, which could be profitable, a slide presentation and a new film, which I really have not talked to him about, have you, Otho?

MR. DAVIS: Just discussion with him.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What he would like then is a total of \$875 for a budget; \$375 which was left in last year's budget, which he really did not use up and another \$500 for publishing and distribution of bibliographies and reference materials.

MR. LEE: Who is this bibliography going to?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: NATA members only.

MR. LEE: All members? I think that is something we should specify.

MR. DAVIS: Certified only.

MR. MALACREA: I think that is a service we ought to give to the Associate Members.

MR. DAVIS: Certified and Associate.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, not the students.

MR. DAVIS: No.

MR. CHAMBERS: What are we going to do with it?

MR. DAVIS: Distribute it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He indicates that \$875 will be the total budget.

MR. FLENTJE: That is his budget request.

MR. DAVIS: He had \$500 for publishing and distribution.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: And \$375 for typing.

MR. LEE: We mailed that out to the National Office. That is not included in the \$875, is it, or he would never make it, would he?

MR. DAVIS: It sure is.

MR. FLENTJE: That is the reason I am questioning this.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It says "publishing and distribution".

MR. LEE: I don't believe he can make a mailing of that for less than sixty cents.

The last one, for example, was pretty big and I am sure that the next one will be bigger.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What about third class?

Who received the last one?

MR. DAVIS: It goes at the rate of twelve cents each. Containers of film are cheap.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Who got the bibliography material the last time? I know that our Code No. 1 did, who else?

Did Code No. 2? Does anybody know?

MR. DAVIS: We did not mail any.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Sure we did.

MR. FLENTJE: I don't remember anything like that.

MR. MALACREA: Yes, I did, sure. I was on the Committee. It was a different setting and different format. Each page was a separate section -- 35 millimeter slides, 35 millimeter cassettes, yellow sheets.

MR. ANDERSON: I presume it is filed in the archives somewhere.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Here (indicating) it is.

MR. MALACREA: Fred Hoover was Chairman of the Committee at that time.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It was sent by the National Office, wasn't it, do you remember?

Okay, right here it says "to NATA membership". In other words, that is everybody.

How about to the NATA Code No. 1 and Code No. 2 and others upon request?

MR. WALL: I would go that route. If one of my students wants a copy, he can go upstairs and Xerox it, if somebody doesn't catch him.

MR. FLENTJE: Eventually all of our students are going to be working with certified trainers anyway.

MR. LANE: It was previously all settled as to who it would go to.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, we have a budget request and did someone make the suggestion that this material be distributed to Code No. 1 and No. 2 membership?

MR. MALACREA: Yes.

MR. FLENTJE: Does that need a motion or do you just want to put that in?

MR. LANE: We have to approve the budget.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, we have to approve the budget in some way.

Are you making the motion to approve the

budget?

MR. MALACREA: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The motion is made by No. 2 and seconded by No. 7 to uphold the budget of \$875, with the stipulation that the material be mailed to Code No. 1 and No. 2 membership only. Is there any discussion on that?

If not, all in favor indicate by saying aye; any opposed?

It is unanimously carried.

Now, we will skip the report of the Certification Committee until Lindsay and Bud get here to discuss that aspect of it.

We are now going to go to Drug Education.

Before we get to that, have any of you read the article and studied it?

Have any of you not read the article?

Well, Otho and I talked about this.

As you know, John submitted that particular article to the Journal and it was turned down.

You know, we have had kind of an unwritten policy on the Board that we do not interfere with Journal Committees.

MR. MALACREA: Why was it turned down?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We don't know.

MR. DAVIS: They wanted it in better form.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, in better style and form.

form.

Well, personally, I know it is wrong for a President or the Board to dictate to an Editorial Board. Now, I read this article and, to me, it is in a lot better form and style than a lot of articles that do come out in it. Therefore, I was surprised at the article being turned down.

MR. DAVIS: I also was very much surprised and, of course, I would certainly hate to see it published elsewhere prior to being published in our own Journal.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Like the Research Quarterly.

MR. DAVIS: Since we did support it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Does anybody have any feelings on it?

Should we make a recommendation to the Editorial Board to print that?

MR. MALACREA: When will Rod be here?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He will be here.

MR. MALACREA: Is it possible to hang on to this until we talk to him?

MR. DAVIS: We can talk to him tomorrow.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He has been turned down but we can talk to him.

MR. LANE: Even if we do take action on it, it looks like they have already sent it to Research Quarterly.

MR. DAVIS: It can be published in the next Journal.

MR. MALACREA: No.

On the editorial policy, they state this has not been published before nor submitted for publication in another Journal.

MR. CHAMBERS: On the other hand, cannot Board action overrule that?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We can do anything, Bill.

I am sure everybody on the Board will up and quit if you do something like that but, like I say, I saw no reason why it was turned down because I thought it was a good article.

MR. CHAMBERS: Especially since we supported it and voted money at Chicago.

MR. FLENTJE: I think perhaps we should not just jump on this but let's ask what the guidelines are for acceptance or rejection. In other words, "have you accepted or rejected others that appear to be the same as this or not as good?"

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Really, not as good.

Did you all read the comments in this Journal?

First of all, did you all get the Journal that just came out? It contained comments as to why they turn down articles and things like that.

For example, I was amazed at that figure of 80 or 90 percent.

MR. MALACREA: That is what Rod told us.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: In other words, eighty percent are sent back to the writer.

MR. MALACREA: Never to return again.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No, at least not very many.

MR. MALACREA: And when that happens, they get discouraged and don't return them.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: But there are some who the Board actually said to them, "don't bother to send this one back."

Accordingly, they make different classifications when they do send them back.

MR. MALACREA: I wonder if John was aware of the editorial policy in relation to the Journal when he submitted this to Research Quarterly? He may not have been.

MR. DAVIS: Probably not.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think they said they were going to submit a different one or rewrite it.

It indicates a rewritten one also has been submitted and maybe that is the case. Maybe that is why it was turned down.

MR. ANDERSON: Is there any form, abstract or anything in print?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Insofar as I know, no, at least not yet.

You know, this involves really no request for Board action. All we really need is a motion to accept his report.

There is not a liaison in the CAA Drug Committee, not right now and the NCAA, insofar as I know, has not asked any trainer to be on their Drug Committee and they have not asked us to give them the name of any trainer to be on that.

MR. DAVIS: Let's just accept the report.

MR. LANE: I make a motion we accept the Drug Education Report.

MR. LEWELLYN: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The report and the paper?

MR. LANE: He is not asking us to accept the paper -- he is just asking us about the status of the paper insofar as the Journal is concerned and other places he is going to publish it in.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, then the motion, as made by No. 6 and seconded by No. 3 is that we accept the report of the Drug Education Committee.

Is there further discussion?

...There being no discussion, the motion was voted upon and was declared to be unanimously carried...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Now, with regard to the report of the Ethics Committee, that will be handled on Tuesday at eleven-thirty or at one o'clock.

MR. DAVIS: That Committee will be here at one o'clock.

MR. MALACREA: How did our proposal go over?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, Bill Chambers, as a member of the Ethics Committee, said he did not like it. He said he thought it was too short.

MR. CHAMBERS: That is something we are going to discuss. I am on that Committee.

Also, in his letter to us on the Committee, he stated he wanted to get together as soon as possible so that he could come before the Board and discuss it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The original Code of Ethics was some fourteen pages and he got it down to about eight. I hope that they will come up with a compromise of some sort.

However, we will hold that report for action until Tuesday.

MR. DAVIS: In relation to Grants and Scholarships, you have already approved that, unless you want to do it as a formality so that it is all in here.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It has already been approved by Board action, by mail action.

Do we have a motion to accept the Grant and Scholarships Committee report?

MR. LANE: I would so move.

MR. WALL: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there discussion?

MR. LEE: I would like to ask if we are going to have, for example, Pinky come in during the meeting and talk about this.

I remember, for example, that at our winter meeting there was quite a bit of discussion about some of the procedures he follows, how he goes about checking things and so on.

You also, I believe, said there were some vague questions in the back of your mind.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I really have no idea at all as to how the final selections are made.

MR. LEE: However, as I remember it, you thought it would be a good idea to let the Board and him sort of go over this and talk about it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay.

MR. LEE: You know, there are a lot of people who, from time to time, bring up these questions and we don't seem to have any answers for them.

MR. MALACREA: As I look over the list, we have two repeaters on the list, individuals who have already won awards in the past.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is the objective, that is cut and dried, that is high score in the test.

MR. MALACREA: However, I am just stating that.

MR. LANE: I sent in names two years in a row.

MR. MALACREA: I had one in relation to an undergraduate scholarship with a 3.98 out of a 4, with real need.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: And he did not win it?

MR. MALACREA: No.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay. I think we ought to have Pinky in and talk with him about it.

MR. MALACREA: I have a winner down here but not in that category.

MR. LEE: I also have a winner but I just want to know about how things went on. Sometimes one student, for example, has more of a need than perhaps a student with a little better point average.

I am sure you know what I mean.

MR. DAVIS: What is submitted here has to be approved.

MR. FLENTJE: I have a question on the

President's challenge. A press release was sent out on it before we even approved it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Before the Board approved it?

MR. LEE: I thought we approved that in January.

At any rate, we knew in January who it was and we talked about it in January and I remember I said that we would have to approve this because it was already cut and dried and there wasn't anything we could do about it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay. I don't know how Pinky made that selection.

I know, however, how other committees work. His involves very little committee work. I think he does it all.

MR. LEE: On the other hand, he has quite a number of people listed as members of his Committee.

MR. DAVIS: I know.

MR. LEE: What do they actually do?

MR. DAVIS: Allbright is on there and she rejected being on the Committee once or twice. He wrote her a letter and she finally accepted but in name only.

Also, Howard is on there for his name. He is a retired member.

Marsh Frank, when he was living was on there just for his name.

All of these people appear to be that way.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I guess there are some questions here that we are going to have to ask of

Pinky. Do you think it is wrong to do this?

MR. DAVIS: Well, everybody is asking questions about grants and scholarships.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Perhaps we can invite Pinky to appear here on Tuesday. For example, I would really like to know why that 3.98 individual did not get it, especially if there is a need.

MR. MALACREA: And another one from the same school applied for a postgraduate but he did not have any case because he already had a graduate fellowship at Arizona. He is a pretty good student but he had a nice package coming in. If you have somebody else who needs it more and qualifies, you might want to think about it. I think we are honest about the appraisals and recommendations we make.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, we have a motion and a second to accept what you have already really accepted.

All in favor indicate by saying aye; opposed no. It is unanimously carried..

Now, we will invite Pinky to come before the Board on Tuesday, if we see him around tomorrow, in order to answer some of these questions that have been presented by you in relation to scholarships and grants.

MR. DAVIS: With regard to the History and Archives Committee, there is no report on that.

With regard to the Honor Awards, you have already approved those.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Do we need to accept the report?

MR. DAVIS: Yes, you can.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: How about a motion and a

second?

MR. FLENTJE: I would so move.

MR. CHAMBERS: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All in favor indicate by saying aye; opposed? It is unanimously carried. That was with regard to the History and Archives Report.

Now, how about the Honor Awards. This, I understand, you have already approved by mail but maybe some discussion is required. Are you in any trouble at your areas with Carl Blyth?

MR. LEWELLYN: I don't know yet. I don't think so.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: How do you feel as a Board?

MR. LEWELLYN: Well, first of all, it was probably my fault when he sent this. As District Director it was my duty to send this in and probably at that time I did not think that much about it -- did not know there was that much dissention or feeling about him by people around the country and in the different districts.

When I sent this to George, I probably should have indicated, you know, there were problems, but then I did not know that at the time. At any rate, that is how it originally got to George.

On the other hand, his Committee felt there were some questions and they sent the list back and that is where I made the calls to some of the people and thought we had better talk about it.

There is really nothing to talk about in my District right now, really, unless you all want to give me some of your feelings and when I go back to my District, I can express them.

MR. MALACREA: Well, we don't know.

I did not get the publication on the list of honor awards.

MR. DAVIS: Yes you did. You returned it.

MR. MALACREA: Well, we got the twenty-five years, the Hall of Fame and all of that but not the Honorary Memberships.

I got the one that you gave to us to take a vote but not who was accepted and then I got a follow-up letter that said that.

MR. LEE: You should have gotten a follow-up letter the other day.

MR. MALACREA: That listed the twenty-five-year awards and listed the Helms Hall of Fame Awards but not the Honorary Awards.

That was May 24th.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Now, for anybody who wants to know why I, Otho or anybody else on the Board was opposed to him receiving an Honorary membership, it is that in public, at the Joint Commission meetings and in public at the Health Education and Welfare Meetings, he stated that the Athletic Trainer is not the answer to the management of athletic injuries on the high school level. That, of course, is in direct opposition to NATA philosophy.

That is pretty cut and dried right there.

MR. ANDERSON: I have heard him make the same statements.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We have people who want to kill him but that is besides the point. However, he has indicated that the Athletic Trainer, as I said, is not the answer to management of sports injuries.

MR. CHAMBERS: How did he get in here in relation to the Honorary Memberships?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He did not get elected to the Honorary Memberships. He just did not get elected.

MR. CHAMBERS: And so he is not in, is that right?

MR. DAVIS: There are only two names.

MR. CHAMBERS: So we scratch his name then?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

There are only two names in relation to that award and that is Dr. Victor Ippolito of the Cleveland Browns and Dr. Willard W. Patty of Indiana University.

Dr. Patty is probably the father of professional preparation of the athletic trainer at the University level.

I talked to Gene Smith about this then and he was in the program at Indiana and has been involved in that program.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Craig, does that answer the people in your District or whoever nominated him?

MR. LEWELLYN: That is fine.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Speaking for the Board, that is what I can say has been my impression of him from the Joint Commission Meeting two years ago and also in relation to the report I received after the HEW meeting one year ago.

MR. DAVIS: I believe you also had a letter from somebody else last year.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: An individual from that school. I gave him the procedure to follow. He was a

P.E. man. Mueller wrote me suggesting I make him an Honorary member and I wrote back and told him the procedure that would have to be followed.. However, I gave him no indication one way or the other.

Therefore, if there is no further discussion, how about a motion to approve what we have already done in relation to the activities of the Honor Awards Committee.

MR. CHAMBERS: I would so move.

MR. MALACREA: Second the motion.

...There being no further discussion, the motion was voted upon and carried...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Now, before we continue, perhaps we should have a short recess at this point.

...A brief recess ensued...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I believe we are ready to go again.

The next item has to do with the International Games Committee.

Now, with regard to this matter, I believe you all have the list of people who made the summer games.

... Cries of "no" ...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, if not, I can give them to you.

...Whereupon, the above mentioned individuals were named...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Those are the ten people and then there is the Head Trainer.

Now, Chuck Medlar has been our representative

to the USOC and, to be honest with you, I don't know if Chuck even knows about this. I don't know, for example, how much contact Chuck has had.

Chuck had a heart attack about a year ago, just at the end of the last baseball season. I think that any liaison going on with the Committee I have been doing.

Now, I learned a lot of things when I went with the Olympic group.

For example, I learned that if you think the medical and training services are the power, forget it. There were three doctors there who had no connection with the medical in-service training at all. There were two doctors with the figure-skaters that had no connection with medical in-training service ability at all. They were there simply because they had influence with the United States Olympic Committee. That is up.

Also, the people who were with figure skating went as team managers.

MR. LANE: Out of these names, how many of them were taken off of our list?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I believe there were five.

Now, as to our Olympic list, how they looked at it, they made selections from all of the people we sent them regardless of Summer, Pan-Am etc. They lumped all of the names together -- the Summer, Winter and Pan-Am.

Now, from that list they made five selections. They selected Anthony Dougall and he turned it down and then they invited Frank Medina and he also turned it down.

MR. DAVIS: Why did he turn it down?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He said it was because

of present commitments in relation to summer football.

MR. DAVIS: Was he scheduled to go to the other one?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He was scheduled to go to the winter games originally. He then called me and asked me to swap, swap with him. He was the only trainer at that school and, as you know, they were the No. 1 hockey team. This is a big local high school at which he is the hockey trainer. He retires this year. There was no way he could get away during the hockey season and, therefore, I changed with him and talked to Hanley about it and he said that the change was agreeable to him.

Then, when he got the notice, Tony wanted to know last September if he could go or not go, whether he should sign up for the summer football camps and Tony wanted then to go back to the winter games and it was too late.

MR. MALACREA: With regard to those that were picked and are on the list, how many of those applied for the summer games, Frank, at least of the five selected, do you know?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No.

MR. PLENTJE: As I understand it in connection with them, when we send them a name, it is not for a specific game.

MR. MALACREA: However, they sign up for a specific game or games, do they not?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, but they, in turn, on that Committee, want to make selections of whomever they desire. In other words, they put all the names in one big hat.

MR. MALACREA: I talked with Chuck about this. A lot of the names go to him. I wanted to understand

a little bit about the mechanism.

I don't know how many are on the Committee or who they are. However, the way Chuck does it, at least as I understand it, is that he merely submits a number of names needed for those games and that is all he submits.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The number they ask him to submit.

MR. MALACREA: That is right -- the number that is going to be needed for those games and that is it.

Therefore, if they need three for the winter, ten for the summer, then they select them.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: As well as two alternates.

MR. DAVIS: However, these are names submitted by our Board of Directors.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The USOC never sent us back anything.

Well, okay, getting back to where the USOC is insofar as their feelings toward us are concerned, they think they have done us a very good service. For example, there were nine people out of the ten taken that are NATA members.

To them, on this basis, they have done us a service.

They picked nine certified trainers who are members of the NATA.

MR. LEWELLYN: However, they picked the same people all the time. I know that is the thing that is going to come back from my people -- that the same people go each time. I don't see, on that basis, as to how they are doing us a service.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is how they feel. However, some of these people selected were not selected by the Medical and Training Services -- they were selected by people more influential than medical and training services.

MR. MALACREA: The Executive Committee selects them.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The USOC.

MR. MALACREA: Not Hanley's Committee.

MR. FLENTJE: There is likewise something else going on here.

We have, for example, submitted names to these people who they know are a bunch of deadbeats and what does that make us look like when they have people on there they know will not do the job or cannot do the job and we, in turn, just keep submitting their names? How much credibility is that giving us?

MR. MALACREA: I think that is a good point and perhaps, on that basis, we may desire to move to a more standardized selection from each district, if that is something desirable. However, I think that requires a lot of discussion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is the fault of our Selection Committee for sending them those names.

MR. FLENTJE: However, somebody needs to say, "hey, wait a minute".

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I am sure they are never going to go for all of our selections. However, I think they realize we are sending them individuals who are good trainers but then they also have a lot of pressure put on them to accept different people.

In the one instance, they apologized in relation to the individual who was not a trainer.

Also, as you indicated, they keep taking those who have gone to prior games. They feel that this is right. For example, in some cases, they would hate to be at these games without people who have never been there before.

Of course, there is the question as to how much training is done at the International Games and that, in turn, leads to the question of how much experience is required at these games.

MR. CHAMBERS: In all likelihood, anything you do you first refer to the doctors for.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: So that is the situation with this.

MR. LANE: Hopefully, when we get to something else here, I see a light at the end of the tunnel with a situation such as Frank Medina.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think we can proceed with the next agenda item.

MR. MALACREA: Just a moment, what are we going to do with regard to the International Games Committee?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I understand that there will be a later report for us, is that right? Do you want to go into this report now?

MR. DAVIS: No.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, if there is no further discussion, we will go to item No. 9 having to do with the Journal Committee.

Is Rod coming in?

MR. DAVIS: I hope he will be in tomorrow night.

We can do it now while we are here in sequence or wait. Perhaps we should go ahead and handle it. We can ask him questions but I don't think there is anything to ask about this particular report.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Has everyone had an opportunity to read the report?

MR. LEE: I don't believe we received it until this particular time.

MR. DAVIS: It just came in Special Delivery today.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Perhaps we should allow time for you to read it at this point.

...A brief pause ensued as the Board Members commenced with their perusal of the report...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You will note, for example, he has a budget request of, I think, \$10,800.

MR. MALACREA: Also, in relation to that last letter in there, has anybody been able to decipher that?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That was a letter to the President of the printing company telling him that.

MR. MALACREA: It involved the lateness issue and all of that?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes. You know, we have been trying so hard to get the Journal out on time.

Of course, in this last situation, that involved the break-down of one of their printing presses and so it really wasn't our fault at all. However, in the past it has mainly always been our fault. This time, however, it was the fault of the printing company.

MR. MALACREA: I saw the letter explaining

that.

I also called him on the telephone and we just told them, for example, that if it ever happened again, we would take our business elsewhere. However, he assured me it would never happen again.

I think that the unfortunate part about it is that in the end he admitted it -- yes, he had the Journal out to him on time in order for him to get it to the membership on time.

That really would have been something nice but it just did not happen.

Now, Rod had four requests.

The first is to continue with the present quarterly issue of Athletic Training on the justification he could not do any more with the volunteer staff.

Do you all agree with that?

...Cries of "yes"....

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The second recommendation is to increase the rate sheet for advertisers by ten percent.

I believe that is also okay.

MR. DAVIS: The advertisers I have talked to said that they don't know how we do it -- that our rates are very low.

One guy from California came to me and said "We don't know how you guys do it, how you keep the rates down."

MR. MALACREA: What do we charge?

I have reference to a black and white page.

MR. DAVIS: I don't have the rate card with me.

MR. MALACREA: Is it \$200, \$500, \$1,000 or what?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We have increased it recently but I don't also remember.

We increased the postage to subscribers. I think we have had to do that. Also, we approved the proposed budget and all I can say is that it cost us \$11,286 this year and he thinks next year it is going to cost more and not less.

MR. FLENTJE: I would move we accept the recommendation as submitted by the Committee.

MR. CHAMBERS: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is it your motion to accept the Journal Report and approve their recommendations?

MR. FLENTJE: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then the motion, to repeat, is to accept the report of the Journal Committee and approve the four recommendations as follows:

1. Four issues.
2. A ten percent increase in rates.
3. Increased postage.
4. A budget of \$10,800.

Is there any discussion on that?

That motion is made by District 5 and seconded by District No. 8. Is there more discussion?

...There being no further discussion, the motion as above indicated was voted upon and carried...

MR. DAVIS: Now, in relation to our Tuesday item sheet, let's put in a time slot for Rod in relation to the Journal.

MR. LEE: Not until Tuesday?

MR. DAVIS: He is driving up tomorrow unless, of course, you want to meet on Saturday morning. After all, you have approved his report and budget and all we really want to do is to ask him some questions.

Therefore, let's put him in at about ten o'clock on Tuesday.

Also, put Pinky down at ten-thirty. That will be ten-thirty for the Grants and Scholarships Committee, William Newell.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Now, we will proceed to item No. 10, the Membership Committee and review of Code No. 2.

At the recommendation of the Certification Committee, they got together with the Membership Committee and are trying to upgrade Code No. 2 membership. I read it and I called Otho and talked to him about it. In fact, I talked to the two of you about it -- that even though they wanted to upgrade Code No. 2, we did not feel they wanted to upgrade it enough and I think it is time for us to make some changes in membership and I think it is time we only allow degree people, college graduates to become members of the Association, Code No. 1 and Code No. 2 members. That is the working trainer.

That is basically where we stand now in connection with this.

That is so much greater than other Code 2 improvements that I have not mentioned them.

For example, other Code 2 improvements are to require them to take CPR courses and First Aid courses. That is where we stand now.

Is there any discussion?

I think that Otho and I both would like to recommend to you that we do require a degree. Is there anyone who either is or is not in favor of this?

MR. CHAMBERS: Well, I am not entirely in agreement with that but I know that out in our area, granted we want to upgrade, but no matter how hard we try, there are still going to be people who are going to hire people without degrees to handle positions and trainers.

I don't really feel that an individual, say he has equipment duties as well as trainers' duties, he may be working under a team physician and is being told to do this or that -- I don't think we should shut the door to those kinds of people. I think, in reality, we ought to help them. I think there ought to be a spot in our Association for these people because I think a little bit of help in that regard is really better than nothing.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: As we look ahead to the other things we are going to have to do here, we should not forget that State Licensure is one of them. In other words, to get a license eventually, you are going to have to have a degree of some kind. Therefore, how can we say that there are people in our Association who are members who are not going to have a degree?

I am not talking about the grandfathered people, I am talking about the incoming people, the newcomers. I think that if we hold ourselves out as a profession, for example, that we will require and naturally need licensed people.

On the other hand, I also realize your position, Bill, that people are going to hire other people

as trainers but, on the other hand, if you look up on the wall and gaze at this Associate Membership Certificate, for example, that thing really looks so much like other certificates, that you really do not know the individual is a certified trainer.

MR. FLENTJE: However, with regard to these other types of individuals, I think we ought to have a slot for them someplace, somewhere.

They do not have voting privileges and I know that in my District there are people right now who are doing a pretty darn decent job of athletic training.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We will, of course, keep those people.

Please don't get me wrong -- we are going to keep the Code 2 now -- we are not going to make them undergo new requirements.

However, we are talking about the new people coming in.

Since I was a District Director, and that was in 1969 or so that I took over, anyone who applied to me who did not have a college degree, I kind of told him we didn't have a place for him. I know I was wrong but we have to get to this point.

MR. CHAMBERS: What about people like those down in San Diego? Some of them have had some pretty extensive training medicalwise and were really trainers in the service. What about those people?

MR. MELIN: What kind of jobs do they get?

Where, for example, do they get a job as a trainer?

MR. CHAMBERS: I can think of three individuals right now that are in junior colleges and doing very

good jobs.

MR. MELIN: However, what kind of classifications do they get when they become employed at the junior college without a degree?

MR. CHAMBERS: Well, out there they have two ways to go.

You can either be a certificated or classified employee.

The certificated people are those people teaching and they have California credentials to teach and it is up to the local School Board as to how they want to hire a trainer.

For example, they can bring in certificated personnel or classified personnel and they can set-up any standards they want to or what have you.

The situation that I am thinking about is wherein these three individuals are classified as employees and one of these individuals has been in the medical services in the Armed Forces for something like twenty-two years.

MR. MELIN: In most states, at least at the public school level, they cannot hire anybody on the faculty unless they have a degree.

MR. CHAMBERS: We have faculty positions that are classified.

MR. MELIN: On the other hand, I believe most states would not be justified in having a person without a degree doing something of that kind.

That is in most cases I am familiar with.

MR. CHAMBERS: Also, some of the school boards think about this as a sort of specialized type of

position. It is like your administrative personnel and all those people.

MR. MELIN: However, I think that is an undesirable classification with regard to an athletic trainer.

MR. CHAMBERS: For example, I am a classified employee, even though in my job description you have to have a degree. However, if I were to go and get certificated, I would take about a \$5,000 cut because of what the salary range is and because I am presently classified as an Athletic Trainer and the reason that I was classified as that is because I am certified with the NATA.

If a guy comes into our District as a trainer, he has to, No. 1, have a degree and the minute he becomes certified, then he jumps five steps on the pay scale.

MR. MALACREA: What kind of degree?

MR. CHAMBERS: A B.S. Degree. You have to have a B.S.

MR. MALACREA: However, what we are moving toward are Associate Degrees and not Bachelor's.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No, a Bachelor's Degree, a four-year degree.

MR. MALACREA: Does it say that?

Am I missing it?

MR. LEE: He is proposing it.

MR. MALACREA: You mean you are taking this one step further?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. MALACREA: It would be my comment that it

seems to me we are going to be coming right back to this in another year, if we go as is and make it a Bachelor's Degree.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, we think that now is the time to do it.

Now, hopefully in relation to California, and I know it is going to be tough to get a State License there, but, if we get a State License there, then those guys from San Diego, they are not going to be able to work as athletic trainers.

MR. DAVIS: Insofar as I am concerned, I feel this way -- that they had an opportunity to make a choice years ago and they took the Navy and then took retirement.

Now they have two incomes coming in.

MR. CHAMBERS: However, I feel like we should have a place for these people. The main thing I feel we are doing is helping athletes and this sort of thing.

Granted, we want to become professional but then the minute we lose sight of what we are here for, we tend to get ourselves into trouble.

MR. DAVIS: On the other hand, you also have to think about yourselves.

MR. CHAMBERS: I agree with you. It is one of these things that are up and down.

MR. FLENTJE: I think we ought to hold this up until we discuss the matter of certification and professional education. I think that ties in with those two subjects.

MR. LEE: This is step No. 1, before we go to certification.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: This is really something

separate, Bill. This is a membership problem.

MR. CHAMBERS: For example, is there some procedure in relation to which we can bring them in as allied members?

MR. MELIN: There are no memberships that do not have a requirement of a Bachelor's Degree now except the affiliate.

All other memberships, with the exception of Associate and Affiliate, have a Bachelor's Degree.

MR. ANDERSON: I don't think that is exactly true, Bruce.

The Affiliate does require a Bachelor's Degree.

MR. MELIN: Which is the one, of course, that I am talking about.

MR. ANDERSON: It is Code No. 5, the old Associate.

MR. MELIN: However, the Affiliate requires a Bachelor's Degree.

The Advisory has to be a physician. The Allied is the only one that does not require a degree because that is a kind of business membership.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I would almost like to keep those people out of the Association.

To have them, for example, not get the certificate to put up on the wall because anybody who sees that believes the guy is a trainer, you know. It looks a lot like the certified one.

MR. MALACREA: The thing we are moving toward is only an athletic trainer, as we see it. In other words, he will be allowed to call himself an athletic

trainer just like the Physical Therapists have it lined up that only the Physical Therapists can call themselves that.

What we have is a broad spectrum of people from a wide variety of backgrounds calling themselves athletic trainers -- from a kid going to Cramer's to some who have their Doctorate, but they are all athletic trainers.

MR. CHAMBERS: I may have opened up a can of worms here but I just don't want to stop anybody from, you know, being able to join our organization.

MR. MELIN: If you consider, for example, specifying a Bachelor's Degree for Associate Membership, you can almost come down to the point where you have to specify a degree in something related to the athletic trainer because the person who has had a degree in English probably is not any better than some of the people Bill is talking about.

MR. DAVIS: But, Bruce, in the eyes of the outsider ---

MR. MELIN: I agree, but I am merely suggesting that you add something.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: On the other hand, if he can teach history or English, he is the one that will get the high school job.

MR. MALACREA: We are recommending it, are we not?

MR. DAVIS: On the other hand, you are recommending him to major in mathematics and english to get the high school job but stay out of physical education.

MR. MALACREA: That is what we are seeking through the Berkshire Program in North Carolina.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is what we are telling

him through our education people.

MR. MELIN: What kind of educational qualifications do you really want?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Right now, Code No. 1 does not insist on that.

MR. MELIN: Code 1 has a lot of requirements that bring this in conformity with the idea of having competence.

What do you really want as the qualifications for Code No. 2 insofar as competency is concerned.

MR. DAVIS: The same as Code No. 1, except not certified.

MR. MELIN: What educational qualifications are most likely to give you that?

I agree with the Bachelor's Degree, but I am thinking of the other.

MR. DAVIS: You have to be Code 2 or you should be Code 2 before you can be certified. You can join Code 2 and never be certified the way it is now.

MR. MELIN: And yet you are supposed to be a member one year before you are eligible for certification.

MR. DAVIS: You cannot be certified without the degree.

MR. MELIN: That is right.

MR. DAVIS: We have always used the Allied if it is a business interest.

MR. FLENTJE: They are either Students or Certified as Associates.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think if we only had

graduates of approved curriculums, we could do that. However, there are many other avenues in relation to getting certified.

MR. FLENTJE: For example, he has to be a Student.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then we cannot do that.

Where do we, for example, put the guy who we say has to be a member one year before we will let him take any examination? We have to have a place for him.

MR. FLENTJE: He is almost a student.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, what if he isn't?

MR. FLENTJE: Then that is too bad.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think the whole philosophy and time is coming when we are going to have to require anyone who is a member of the Association to have a degree.

MR. CHAMBERS: I am sure that if we go into the matter of State Licensure, that will be the case.

MR. DAVIS: You have to give those people support.

For example, you have the legislators who are going to ask you "what are your requirements? Your National organization does not even require a degree."

MR. LANE: Can we do basically with the Associate Code 2 here that we did with our Students -- put an effective date on it?

MR. DAVIS: It would have to be.

MR. MELIN: It would have to be an effective

date.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We would keep everybody in that is in. We would not take anybody out.

MR. MELIN: You could grandfather in the present Associate Members.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Otho and I had a date of July 1st on it.

MR. DAVIS: There are applications being received everyday.

MR. MALACREA: I think we would make over some 700 people unhappy if we fooled around too much with the Associate membership.

MR. DAVIS: You are not going to make them unhappy -- you are going to leave them where they are.

MR. MELIN: Once in there, they will stay as they are.

MR. DAVIS: Also, there will not be 750, for example, because a part of those have degrees and you are hoping that they are working toward certification.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: In other words, you are hoping that next year some 300 of those will be certified.

That was the figure this year -- about 300.

MR. WALL: Does the degree requirement mean that you have a holding zone for an individual, a holding area for two to three years until he moves on into certification?

MR. DAVIS: What do you mean by two to three years?

MR. WALL: I am talking about a maximum time.

I am saying that the individual gets his degree and he is sitting here holding.

MR. DAVIS: For this one year.

MR. LEE: It only has to be for one year but it could be longer.

MR. WALL: It has to be a minimum of one year?

You may have an individual who, for economic reasons and location, might not be able to make that.

MR. DAVIS: It is his choice. He can stay indefinitely. He never has to take the examination.

MR. WALL: That is what I am saying. He can be a minimum of one year -- perhaps in a holding pattern for two or three years or some indefinite time.

MR. MALACREA: But he will always be a member of the Association.

MR. MELIN: He can be a member of the Association in Code No. 2.

MR. MALACREA: Therefore, we have to keep Code No. 2 and we cannot change.

MR. MELIN: Yes, you can change.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: For example, do you think everyone in the Association should have a degree, a Graduate Degree?

MR. MELIN: A Graduate Degree from an accredited college or university; or a certificate of Physical Therapy. That is another category.

MR. MALACREA: That also is a can of worms.

MR. MELIN: I am just referring to some of the

others.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It does not affect anybody in the Association now.

MR. LEE: On the other hand, suppose you have a PT that wants to join for a year?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The only way he can get a certificate in PT is to have a Bachelor's Degree.

MR. ANDERSON: And at the end of three days you can go to Mayo.

MR. MELIN: Then the statement in Code 5 is not really correct then.

MR. ANDERSON: It is redundant.

MR. CHAMBERS: You know, let me say this, getting a little bit off the track here, and that is that I think that we appoint people to committee chairmanships and while we do discuss the recommendations, on the other hand, if they feel, after their investigation, that something is needed, then I think we ought to do it. After all, they are working with this more closely than we are. They are the ones that have to sort out the problems and there are problems.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Bruce, how do you feel about that degree requirement?

MR. MELIN: From a membership standpoint, I think it is desirable to make the requirement a college degree for all Associate members. I think that is a reasonable step. I don't see how you are cutting out very many people.

They should have a Bachelor's Degree now.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, let's get on to the other recommendations that are in the same proposal.

The changes in Code 2 are what we are discussing

now.

We have decided that, hopefully, a motion will be made rather than say "completion of at least two years of accredited college study", the wording will be equivalent to the other section. How did the other section read?

MR. MELIN: In the letter you wrote to Lindsay?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I do not have that but how does it read now?

MR. MELIN: For Code No. 1 it reads: with regard to qualifications, "must be a Certified Athletic Trainer" and, of course, in order to be a certified athletic trainer, you have to follow the procedures of certification.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Doesn't that, however, get into the qualifications for membership?

MR. MALACREA: You know, it is interesting to note, for example, that in that category it does not spell out what the qualifications are. In all the other categories it is spelled out but not in that one.

MR. MELIN: That is correct.

MR. MALACREA: There is no spelling out as to what it takes in relation to our membership classes as to what you really have to be or do to become a certified trainer.

MR. MELIN: However, you refer back to the procedures for certification.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is where it sets it up.

MR. MELIN: If you are certified under any of the sections in procedures for certification.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Perhaps you should read that to us -- what does it say?

MR. MELIN: For example, under Section No. 1, you have to have a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college.

Under Section 2 you have to have a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I was just looking forward in order to be consistent with the wording we are using now.

I would like to know the way it now reads.

MR. MELIN: Well, there is a difference in terminology used in relation to the certification but the way it ordinarily reads now would be the same as we have in the procedure for certification -- a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited College or University.

We have to rewrite the second or first section of Code No. 2 to be a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university and then if you want to put in any kind of equivalency that then becomes the problem.

Therefore, it would be a start for the main statement -- a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university.

MR. LEE: A Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college, correct.

MR. MELIN: Or university.

MR. MALACREA: We don't require a Bachelor's Degree in Section No. 3.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, "actively engaged".

MR. MELIN: Are you talking about membership

classification?

MR. MALACREA: Procedure for certification.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes we do.

MR. MELIN: The wording in the procedure for certification could be cleaned up a little bit in order to make the statements consistent because they made the same thing.

The straight-forward idea, of course, is that the person has a Bachelor's Degree at an accredited college or university.

MR. DAVIS: Period.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, we have talked about it plenty now and I hope you all understand.

Here are what the changes are that we are trying to establish in relation to Code No. 2.

First of all, change it from requiring two years of schooling or equivalent of that to a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university. That is the first aspect of it.

Secondly, proof of successful completion of an athletic training course or evidence of successful completion of an NATA approved workshop for credit. That is to take care of the english major and history major or anybody else who did not get enough athletic training.

No. 3 will be another change -- proof of current certification and standard first aid and CPR or equivalent or whatever, because so many states are changing the CPR to call it different things and that is why I understand the National Convention Committee is thinking of dropping the CPR courses -- because, for example, the CPR in Massachusetts does not qualify you in any other state except Massachusetts.

MR. MELIN: Are they different?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I just found that out about a week ago in talking to Fred -- that to be eligible for continuance of Associate Membership, a person must accumulate, every three years, at least one-half minimum continuing professional education units. That is the same as it is now and that is it.

Therefore, basically, we are thinking two big changes.

We are requiring them to have a Bachelor's Degree and we are going to ask them to go an Athletic Training Course or workshop and to have CPR and First Aid.

MR. MELIN: My position was that the first aid would be included in the Athletic Training Course, whether you call it first aid or something else.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, it is not included in the workshop.

MR. MELIN: In my position insofar as membership is concerned, I cannot see the equivalency of the approved workshop to a college course in athletic training. I don't think the workshop is enough in comparison.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I agree.

MR. MALACREA: It is not equivalent.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I would like to drop that.

Bruce, if you look at my letter to Lindsay in the book, I have A, B and C as alternatives and I also admit that this has not been discussed.

Usually, in my opinion, or very frequently, the CPR is not included in the Athletic Training Course.

Sometimes it is and sometimes it isn't.

However, I think the equivalency of first aid is certainly included.

In other words, I believe that either A, B or C seem to be nearer to upgrade Code 2 in addition to the Bachelor's Degree.

Again, those are just suggestions.

I made them and then I wrote Lindsay in relation to his proposal of the attachments.

Now, another big point we are talking about is dropping the approved workshop for credit. Do you all have that in front of you?

In other words, turn to the Certification Committee Report, attachment C, and at least you will see it because that is where it is spelled out. It is really a membership change.

It is a joint proposal by the two committees that is why it is under certification. That is Attachment C at the top of page 2. That is how it is now.

Now, where it says "qualifications for membership", we have four sentences here -- completion of two years, etc. That should be one short sentence.

A Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university.

Secondly, proof of successful completion of an athletic training course. Stop there because I think we are all getting doubts about these NATA approved workshops for credit and I am not so sure that from the Education Committee they may just stop approving workshops. However, I also think we agree that a college course for credit is a lot more structured than a workshop and I think there is enough of them offered that if someone is interested, they can take them.

How do you feel about that, Bruce?

MR. MELIN: I recommend that the two semester credits be indicated.

MR. DAVIS: It is a lot more meaningful.

MR. CHAMBERS: It sure is. There is also a lot more involved.

MR. MELIN: Perhaps you may want to make as item No. 3 -- successful completion of an athletic training course of at least two hours -- at least two credit hours.

MR. MALACREA: And one care and prevention course.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. LANE: That includes the Berkshire type?

MR. DAVIS: From an accredited college or university.

MR. CHAMBERS: Just one minor point that will alleviate a problem later on -- two semester units or three core units, because some scale on the quarter system and, therefore, you know, I think that ought to be in there because you are going to run into a problem, as I say, if they say two semester units, because, in our case, we are on quarter units and, therefore, how does that convert.

Therefore, we ought to have that aspect of it in there so that there is no question.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Also, Ed brought up another point.

Should that be, "or completion of an approved faculty trainer course", such as the Northwestern course?

On the other hand if they are not worth a

college credit course, then perhaps we should drop them.

MR. FLENTJE: I would agree.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: If they are not worth two credits in relation to a college course, forget it.

MR. CHAMBERS: You mean that Northwestern thing?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Of course, it is worth a lot more than that, something like nine credits for the summer.

MR. DAVIS: Also the person going there already has his degree.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Correct.

However, they can still be a member if they take that course but, in turn, that does not count for college. However, I think it should.

MR. MALACREA: In that instance, they are talking about a three-week program and that is Monday through Saturday; eight-thirty to four-thirty. That breaks down to the same number of class hours that you would have in a semester.

When I was in summer school, it was like the situation where, for example, we took one course for three weeks straight. This was a pre-session and then we took three courses for six weeks on a post-session basis, where you had, again, one course for three weeks and the credit hours were the same as a semester because you were just concentrating on one subject.

You would spend a half day in classes and the rest of the day in the library. That is what you did and that is also what this is patterned after, that same type of thing.

MR. CHAMBERS: In other words, the contact hours are the same.

MR. MALACREA: Yes, the hours come out the same.

MR. MELIN: If you put in two semester hours or three-quarter hours from an accredited college -- well, I agree there is a lot of difference in courses from different colleges but now, in relation to the Northwestern one, that is college credit, is it not?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

MR. MELIN: What about Berkshire?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. MELIN: Given by some university?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, that is the only way they will be approved.

MR. MELIN: So are those specifications clear enough and rigorous enough so that they do what you want them to do?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think so.

Now, of course, we are the ones that have to make a decision in relation to this.

MR. WALL: Let me ask a question.

What about the kid coming into an apprenticeship program but who is not ready to take his certification examination, although he has graduated.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That kid has to have an athletic training course.

MR. WALL: Well, on the other hand, if it is like the athletic training course at my place, I would not give you a plug nickel for it.

Here I am talking about, for example, the

Physiology Professor in the PE Department and one of his senior student trainers does ninety percent of his teaching for him.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I was in a very similar situation. However, we do not have the mechanics right now to evaluate the athletic training course.

For example, if they get three college credits for an athletic training course, we have no mechanics now to say whether it is a good or bad course or if they attended or did not attend class -- we have no way of telling that.

MR. WALL: We are going to eliminate the kid, coming up, say from the school that doesn't have that coach?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We will eliminate that kid. He will have to go to a university and take a course in relation to which we have the mechanics to analyze.

MR. WALL: On the other hand, do you think that is fair -- especially if the kid has worked for you for a year?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It is time for him to take a course in it, a written instruction course. For example, even if he worked for me for more than a year, I am not so sure he knows some of the written, structured things he needs to know, unless he has been tested on them and things like that.

MR. MALACREA: Ours is involved with on-the-job training and casual conversation. It is not the didactic education he will get in the courts. We have no way of evaluating that either.

MR. MELIN: This goes back to what Otho brought up in connection with HEW and these political entities -- something like this -- whether it is uniform good in one place or not good in another place, whether that is the correct way to go insofar as satisfying the

Bureaucrats is concerned, if you want to call it that.

MR. DAVIS: That is essentially what it comes down to. You have to use terms they understand.

For example, I think everybody understands two semester hours, three-quarter hours and evaluation of that.

MR. MELIN: I am also sure they understand what a Bachelor's Degree is.

MR. DAVIS: Yes, or a baccalaureate degree.

MR. MALACREA: As I understand it, we have three programs, three approved programs -- the Berkshire Program, North Carolina and this one?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We have not approved North Carolina.

MR. DAVIS: That is correct -- North Carolina is not approved.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Because that is non-graduate students.

MR. DAVIS: They are basically down there. However, there is another thing and that is that they are pushing for your paramedics down there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What I meant by "non-graduate" is that the people in the course do not have college degrees, the people at North Carolina.

However, Berkshire and Northwestern both require a college degree.

MR. MALACREA: Therefore, we endorse only two of the three?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We have not endorsed either one as yet.

MR. MALACREA: As I understand it, we have endorsed one of them.

For example, in relation to this one concerning Northwestern University. It says that it is endorsed by the NATA.

MR. LEE: Will they be banking on it?

MR. DAVIS: I think Bud has indicated that we were going to approve it.

To give you an example in connection with Northwestern, I received this, along with the packet of pamphlets from Dick Hoover and he said that he wanted to present a brief progress report on the Sports Medicine Center for Northwestern University Medical School.

He indicated that as of this date, we have some 75 students registered for the Athletic Training Program and that the City of Chicago and Cook County Superintendent of Schools Officials are presently assisting the programs by requesting that each school send a representative to the course. It is further indicated that scholarships for fifty students for three years will be provided by the County School Board.

The second faculty training Athletic Training Course will be presented within the year, specifically for the Chicago City teachers. The goals of the program are to create positions within the school systems.

This center will also be involved in research, clinical coverage of sports medicines in the broadest context.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, they may be approved as a workshop but as a faculty training education program they are not approved as yet.

MR. MELIN: If they give college credit for it,

then it would satisfy the requirements.

MR. MALACREA: At any rate, that was my question because, as the publication indicates, I thought we had it here.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: This rules out Cramer.

MR. MALACREA: Right now it says somewhere that all of these programs are approved.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Right now it says that the NATA will approve the work indicated.

How many credits is the California thing?

MR. CHAMBERS: Two quarter units at the graduate level and in order to take it, basically you are supposed to have your degree.

MR. FLENTJE: You have your degree and you come in here and, say you are a nurse, Occupational Therapist, have a degree, and you come in and sign up and pay your money and take the course, what happens then?

MR. CHAMBERS: This course is primarily set-up for people that want it for salary increment increases in relation to professional growth.

MR. FLENTJE: I realize that but I am posing a potential problem also.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: How many people, for example, took advantage of this course?

MR. CHAMBERS: Last year I think, Don, I talked to him, and I believe it was indicated that thus far we had some fifteen people signed up for this year. I am not sure.

As to last year, I forgot what we had but it was probably only just our people.

On the other hand, I think something like this would satisfy us.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I take a dim view of any kind of credits if you do not have to get some experience in connection with them.

MR. DAVIS: All this is for is for teachers to get an increment raise.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think, whoever evaluates that, will have to take that into consideration.

MR. DAVIS: They base what they are going to pay for the course on the various increments to be gained.

MR. CHAMBERS: That can maybe be, something like these units we are offering like this, in addition to the training course for the two semester hours or the three-quarter units. It could, for example, be counted as a workshop, if you want to leave that in there. However, I don't know.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I believe we have agreed on the first section and now we are talking about this one.

Shall we cross out the wording "evidence of successful completion of an NATA approved workshop"?

...Cries of "yes"...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think so also. In other words, make them take a structured course.

MR. MALACREA: How are you then going to word that?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: "Proof of successful completion of an athletic training course (minimum 2 credit hours)."

MR. DAVIS: I believe you also have to stick

in the college in there also.

"Completion of an athletic training course from an accredited college or university".

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay.

MR. MELIN: If you want to eliminate such things as credit for attendance at the convention, then it might be well to indicate that.

MR. CHAMBERS: Extension courses, for example, do not count. Perhaps you can put that in there.

Extension courses are not applicable.

MR. DAVIS: From an athletic training course on campus.

MR. CHAMBERS: Correct.

MR. MELIN: However, that might get you into difficulty.

Now, I was going to ask if anybody had any interpretation as to Bill's feelings.

MR. WALL: Resident credit?

MR. MELIN: That is certainly one term.

MR. MALACREA: In connection with some of the programs I was in, they said, for example, that "residency" means you live on campus for a certain number of credits. Then you can live off campus for the rest.

MR. MELIN: I think Bill's statement is good because if it is an extension course it could be either.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is this considered a correspondence course?

MR. CHAMBERS: No.

MR. MELIN: However, it is an extension course.

MR. CHAMBERS: A lot of these courses do offer instruction in the form of extension courses to which people can go.

For example, I taught one of these last semester for about ten weeks, three hours a week. It involved thirty hours of teaching. However, it was essentially an extension course.

MR. MELIN: Do you think that should qualify.

MR. CHAMBERS: No, Sir, I do not. It was an extension course for pay and I think if you put "extension course" in here, it will eliminate that.

MR. MELIN: In relation to this course at Northwestern, that is not considered an extension course -- that is regular college credit.

MR. DAVIS: That is an on-campus course.

MR. MELIN: It would seem that unless anybody's experience indicates otherwise, that the statement of Bill's, that extension courses do not count, would eliminate the things that you want to eliminate.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There is something just running through my mind.

With regard to these things we are discussing, we are not going to make a Bylaw change now. This goes back to Lindsay and Bruce to decide if they want to present that to the Board or not.

Two years ago, for example, we made a decision we would not make a Bylaw change without consulting or sending them back to whoever made the recommendation.

So we are going to say "extension courses eliminated", is that correct?

Is that what you want?

...Cries of "yes"...

MR. CHAMBERS: You have to do that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think it gets down to the matter of evaluating the form.

MR. ANDERSON: This does not eliminate the high school teacher that comes back for the summer and takes maybe a three-week course?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That includes him.

MR. ANDERSON: That is a shame, because some of those are more ridiculous than some of the other things we are talking about -- three weeks and two hours per day.

MR. LEE: However, it mounts up to the same as a semester, John.

MR. DAVIS: Have you ever taken any of them?

MR. ANDERSON: I taught them with Bud.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What is the difference between three weeks at two hours a day or fifteen weeks at two hours a week.

I believe it is that same amount of hours.

MR. ANDERSON: It is really tough to separate.

MR. MALACREA: The only difference, as I see it, is that it is like rain, when you do it as a quicky, there is a lot of run-off but if you do it over an extended period of time, then there is a lot more time and opportunity for material to sink in. You can read a little bit more. You have time to do more research projects and those kinds of things.

That is the only difference I see. Likewise, it all hinges upon who is teaching the course, what you expect of your people.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Which we, after all, do not have control of, because of the weaknesses of these courses we are talking about and that is why I think we should leave the current CPR and first aid in.

I think we ought to keep in the CPR. This is, after all, one thing we are doing right.

MR. MALACREA: If they have had a decent course in how to take care of accidents and injuries.

Now, maybe they do not tape an ankle too well but if they know how to judge the severity of an injury and, say, this is something that cannot wait until morning to be seen, this is something to be seen immediately, then I think that is also more important.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Would you like to send those recommended changes back to Bruce and Lindsay to be presented to the Board?

...Cries of "yes"...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Let's see if we have this right.

Associate Code 2 Membership, in order to qualify for that membership, the individual must have a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university.

Secondly, proof of success for completion of an athletic training course.

Completion of at least two credit course hours at a college or university, extension courses eliminated.

MR. MALACREA: How about the approved program

or other approved programs or endorsement of the Northwestern thing?

For example, how about Berkshire?

Do they give college credit?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: One of the reasons they got money from Berkshire was that in Massachusetts, once you have a job teaching, you must take so many hours.

MR. MALACREA: I believe that is a provision in most states.

Further, that is for permanent certification.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Those have to be structured college courses. That is one of the ways of getting the school department to pay for the course.

MR. DAVIS: Leave it the way you have it. If they don't have the college credit, then the burden is on them to go get it.

MR. CHAMBERS: I don't know about this, the faculty training program in Northwestern, the last sentence -- "the recipient is eligible to take the examination required to become a Certified Athletic Trainer."

That is what it says.

MR. LEE: However, that is not a certification credit, is it?

MR. WALL: It says that he is eligible to take the certification examination upon completion of the course.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I don't think he would be however, would he, Otho?

In other words, he would need two more years.

MR. DAVIS: If he is a member of the Association for a year, has a degree, okay.

MR. MELIN: And takes the course for three summers.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, he will still need two more years, or leave it the way we have it and then, if they want approval, they have to put the credit in.

MR. MELIN: I don't see how they can have a course like this without giving them some credit.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I know, for example, the Massachusetts Course has credit.

MR. DAVIS: Who gave them credit?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The college.

MR. DAVIS: Well, we are approving one thing and then someone else is giving credit.

We did not, for example, approve Williams College. However, we approved the Berkshire Academy.

MR. LEE: It is the concept of the program we approved.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is right.

MR. LEE: Not the school.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There is no Berkshire Academy.

MR. LEE: In essence, what Northwestern wants is they want the concept of the idea approved, whether they teach at Northwestern University or some high school.

MR. MALACREA: You know, this has to teach you something because this isn't the first time it has happened -- where all of a sudden we have to face and approve something that has already been done.

As Frank said, you know, nothing will happen that we do not want to happen but a lot of times things do happen before we know about them.

MR. DAVIS: A whale of a lot.

MR. MALACREA: And that isn't good.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, we do not have to approve this.

MR. MALACREA: I know we do not have to, but what do we do about the statement.

As I read it, it says that this program is endorsed by the NATA.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, it is not.

That is a misprint. We have not approved that.

If we go so strong as to say that it is an ethics problem, then it may be. He may have really blown it on that one. That is definitely wrong. He needs two more years.

Insofar as I am concerned, this has been sent to us for approval. I don't think that anybody else but the ten people in this room and the people on the Education Committee have seen this. I don't know.

MR. MALACREA: That was presented to the Board because it was there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That should not have been.

MR. CHAMBERS: They are going to have to take

that statement out. They are going to start on July 19th.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is what I mean -- without our approval.

MR. LEE: I am sure that by now they have sent it out to everybody.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Therefore, I would say that there is an Ethics problem involved here.

MR. LEE: In other words, they are doing something before anything has been approved.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: So that is an Ethics problem, am I right?

MR. MELIN: In relation to who?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: To whoever sent the material out. If it is a certified trainer, which it is, Dick Hoover, then he did something wrong.

MR. LANE: However, there are three letters in that statement that get them off the hook. They have not named the NATA. It is the "National Athletic Training Association".

That, in relation to the wording, is not us. Therefore, they are off the hook right there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is true.

However, someone has to report it to us to be presented for approval.

MR. DAVIS: Let's get back to what we are doing and then perhaps we can come back to this other aspect of it at the proper time.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We were talking about Associate Code 2, number 1. Do you see the change --

a Bachelor's Degree from a College or University?

Then, secondly, proof of successful completion of an Athletic Training Course and then the rest of it gets pretty muddled and I don't think we have given them something good to go on.

To be honest about it, if anybody on the Board here has something good, I am sure we should tell them about it. I don't think we have given them something there.

MR. MALACREA: They need somebody to sit in a quiet room with them.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I do not have the answer for that one as yet.

Do you have something good?

I believe we decided we wanted to cut out completion of an NATA approved workshop", but that is not a good thing, the three and a half days, etc. I think we have decided that is not good, is that correct?

...Cries of "yes"...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: In other words, we would like to have it be a structured college course.

Now, do we want to leave in "proof of current certification in first aid and CPR"? I think we should do that to cover for the bad courses if nothing else.

...Cries of "yes"...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: And then everything else is the same as in that particular code.

MR. MELIN: What do you want to do about the grandfather clause -- put in this thing with some dates on it?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, yes. Current members in this classification may retain their membership.

MR. FLENTJE: The effective date can be July 1, 1976 and that takes care of any applications that need to be proposed after the convention. We can get word to the District Secretaries. The Directors are here.

Also, what about a vote?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I don't think they should be allowed to vote. When they become certified, then they can vote.

Does anybody feel differently about that?

MR. MALACREA: I think that an individual who has been through the one kind of course, you know, that is not the same kind of an individual whom we think about as a certified athletic trainer and who has been through a curriculum. This is what we are really aiming for at the end. We are kind of narrowing down during the next few years and that is what we are going to say.

MR. LANE: Also, you can change the Associate Certificate to some form of drab color so that it does not catch the eye.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: After all, there are close to 750 members in that category and there are 1200 certified.

All of a sudden that particular membership makes a motion at the business meeting or some place that everybody in Code 2 become certified -- bingo -- you know that all they will need is about 100 votes to get anything passed because no-one is going to mail a ballot back. Do you understand what I mean?

In other words, if all they have to do is to check whether or not Code 2 should be certified, then all of these guys are going to send it back on the

basis that they should be.

MR. ANDERSON: There are plenty of good Code 2 members that could have applied for certification under Section 3 of the Procedure for Certification but they have just not shown that interest.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, those particular recommendations will be sent back to Bruce and Lindsay for consideration.

MR. MALACREA: How about Bud?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Bud has nothing to do with this, at least insofar as I know.

MR. FLENTJE: As I understand it, this is a joint thing from both of them.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I thought it was Membership.

MR. DAVIS: It is mentioned by both of them.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then it will be sent to both of them and with them to especially have a watchful eye on the two credit course hours.

MR. DAVIS: When do you want it back?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: At the Winter Board Meeting. Do you want it back on Tuesday?

MR. LEWELLYN: I believe we have a date on it and so we have to have it back.

MR. DAVIS: Bruce, for example, can do it right now but I believe he would have to have all of them confer with Lindsay insofar as the Membership Committee is concerned and they will not meet until Sunday. However, we can present it to the Board for action at a later meeting.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, perhaps we should try to have something on this tomorrow. Possibly later.

Well, if there is no objection, we will table this matter until Friday then or next week sometime.

MR. MALACREA: Is it appropriate at this time to talk about Section No. 4 in the NATA Procedure for Certification?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The endorsements?

MR. MALACREA: No, the PT graduates.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What about it?

MR. MALACREA: The same concerns are, you know, in relation to that sports medicine section of the PT group and this ties in with legislation and, therefore, is it more appropriate to talk about it at that time?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I would think so. At least let's wait until then. I think we have to get back to this Northwestern thing.

MR. DAVIS: This has to do with our Education Committee and we really don't know what conversations have gone on between them.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is true.

MR. DAVIS: Therefore, why spend time discussing it now?

Why not wait until the Chairman of the Education Committee gets here and then we can ask him questions about it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: If there is no objection, we will handle that in that manner. Is there objection?

If ~~not~~, we will proceed in that fashion.

Now, regarding the report of the National Convention Committee, we will get into that sometime

tomorrow afternoon, at which time Fred will present himself before us.

We now proceed to the Report of the Placement Committee.

There are two requests -- one for \$5,000 a budget request, and then a request for telephone credit cards.

Now, we have in the past not allowed a Committee Chairman to have a credit card.

Has the secretarial help worked out good this year?

MR. DAVIS: Apparently so. I have not had any complaints.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is certainly a big item in relation to their budget.

MR. DAVIS: Apparently he has been happy with it.

I was just looking at what they spent last year.

MR. LEE: Is that figure in here anywhere?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: In the Report of the Treasurer.

MR. MALACREA: Let me ask a question.

What is the mechanism for reimbursement for telephone calls now?

MR. DAVIS: You send it in and you are sent a check for reimbursement. It is the same as when you send in your expenses.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Looking up the figures,

last year's disbursements to this Committee were under \$2500 and this year he is asking for \$5,000. He is asking for double the amount.

MR. LEE: Apparently he has some things that he needs to do.

For example, he needs to print the brochure again.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: How much in the way of funds did we give him for secretarial help last year?

MR. LANE: I think it was \$3,000. The figure of \$2500 was above that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There was budget approval of \$3500 for all placement committee business -- a sum of \$3500 -- and, therefore, on that basis, he is asking for a \$1500 increment.

MR. LANE: As I understand it, that is going to go toward the printing of the brochure.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Last year we gave him \$1500 for secretarial, \$300 for telephone, \$200 for postage and committee mailings, \$200 for postage -- well, that comes to a total of some \$2,000. Therefore, I have to find another \$1500 in there.

I think the other \$1500 was for secretarial.

MR. MALACREA: There are two items, printing and stationary.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, last year he did not have to print a brochure.

MR. WALL: \$300 is a lot for paper and envelopes.

MR. ANDERSON: What did it cost to make up the position vacancy listings and notices that went out?

MR. LEE: His paper budget is very large.

MR. MALACREA: How about the brochure he put out last year?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, he must have had that from the year before.

MR. LEE: Because it was printed up when we got to the convention last year.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Last year we gave him \$3500 and this year he wants \$5,000.

MR. LANE: He is asking for a credit card and some \$2,000.

MR. FLENTJE: Do we have to approve this now?

Isn't he going to be here?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes he is.

When does he say he will be here, tomorrow?

MR. DAVIS: They have a meeting on Monday.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Would you like to talk with him?

MR. LEE: I would.

MR. FLENTJE: I think that somebody should.

I don't particularly care if he cannot come to the meeting. If he can, it would be fine, but I would like to know from somebody as to what is going on.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I understand he is arriving tomorrow and, therefore, if we can find him tomorrow, we will try to get him to the meeting tomorrow.

Very well, if there is no objection, we will postpone further consideration until his arrival tomorrow.

Also, in relation to the Report of the Professional Education Committee, that is going to have to wait until Bud gets here with the report.

Let us proceed to the Report of the Public Relations Committee.

I just talked last night with the man who was named head of Public Relations for us this year and this is the first time we have done this. We have hired a sports director from a local college. His name is Ed Miller, and he is from Boston College.

We have given him a budget of \$500 and I understand that they are quite pleased with some of the work he has done insofar as people who are coming in for interviews are concerned -- to do write-ups on us for radio hook-ups and that sort of thing.

I also understand that the local Convention Committee is pleased with him and if it works out, I think we ought to do something or request the same thing next year at Detroit.

Dick will know. He is to be Public Relations Committee Chairman. I was believe it was between him and Otho that they made this recommendation.

You know, it is awfully difficult for an amateur to get this type of work done. Some will live, for example, in a foreign city and don't know the local newspapermen and really don't know anything. It is much easier for someone who is in the area, also who is in that business, to get it done and get it done better.

Therefore, this is basically where we are now with Ed Miller. He is from Boston College.

Another item here is that he has been promoted from Sports Director to Publicity Director or whatever. He was Assistant and has now been promoted into that job. He is a full-time Assistant now.

MR. LANE: I don't think we need any action on this report.

MR. MALACREA: Where is the press room or do we know?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, it has been set-up. It is, I believe, in the Board Room. However, it has been set up.

MR. MALACREA: What kind of budget did he request for this year?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We approved the budget for this year at the winter Board Meeting. I believe \$500 was the figure -- at least that is what Mr. Miller was willing to do it for.

MR. MALACREA: Including the honorarium and expenses?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. MALACREA: We certainly cannot beat that.

MR. DAVIS: That is his fee plus expenses.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, again, that is for your information. As I say, we have already previously approved the budget request and so there is no action to be taken by the Board at this time.

Now, let us proceed to item 15, having to do with Career Information and Services.

I don't think there is anything to do in relation to that, at least until we see how it works out.

MR. DAVIS: Let me indicate to you that this is in the wrong spot in your book. It is after "Research".

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There is a proposed budget there, as you can see.

Is there any discussion in relation to this?

MR. DAVIS: What has been the conversation with Kelly?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He is going to do it and he seems to be better. He was back to work most every day this spring.

Bud Kelley, who took over, had one disk removed from his back. However, he is going to do it. He was laid up almost all winter, did not really work at all, missed a good part of the spring but he is back to work everyday at just about a full day and would like to try it.

Physically, I think that if he can handle a trainer's job, he can handle this also. I think that maybe by September he should be better.

MR. LANE: I would make a motion we accept the report and proposed budget for the Career Information and Services Committee.

MR. LEE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Would you also make a motion to accept the financial report?

MR. LANE: I did.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there further discussion?

...There being no further discussion, the motion was voted upon and declared to be carried...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We now go to the Report of the Research and Injury Committee.

As far as I know, there will be a booth in connection with the head and neck survey here at the Convention. Now, we were hoping it would be more of an educational or scientific type of display. However, as I understand it, this really isn't that because they do not have it ready as yet -- don't have enough information. Therefore, it will be more of a collecting of information type of booth.

If you will see their letterhead, you will find that it contains good NATA recognition.

It contains the name of the organization, my name and Otho's name, Ted's name.

This letterhead has gone out to a lot of people and, on this basis, I think they have upheld that part of the bargain. Now, that is all we have.

On that basis, is there a motion to accept the report of the Research and Injury Committee?

MR. CHAMBERS: I would so move.

MR. FLENTJE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there further discussion?

...There being no further discussion, the motion to accept the report was voted upon and unanimously carried...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Now we proceed to the report of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Dick, do you wish to say anything on this?

MR. MALACREA: Well, Otho reprinted everything that had come back and it is in this envelope.

The Committee members each have a writing assignment and there are drafts in here.

Now, these are not statements, they are drafts, and they will go back for rewrite and be edited by the rest of the Committee members.

There is one of these drafts, however, that they would like us to cooperate with and help them with and that is to develop their cookbook for physicians who all of a sudden have been thrust on the sidelines and who have had no experience in sports medicine whatsoever. This happens a lot of times.

Dr. McCloud of Kentucky was one assigned to do this bit of writing.

Also, there are some more information on these special cases.

Also, I would bring this to the attention of the Board -- that it was my feeling that I thought it was something that would be good for us to help them with their joint venture. For example, they take some pretty good positions on the handling of the youth in sports and this is something that they feel strongly about -- in fact, so strongly that the spin-off is that they at that meeting started working on Chapter Headings. What they are going to do is to write a book, something on the order of a paperback, for which they would like to have a sponsor, like Gerber's, Ross Laboratories or Johnson & Johnson for these people to support the publication of this thing.

I think there is something like 15,000 members in the American Academy of Pediatrics and that would be the first distribution.

There are a number of changes being made in relation to the original edition. Tom Shaffer from Ohio State was the prime Editor, if you will. It seems that they all defer to him when it comes to editing on all of their papers.

I think this is something we should get into. I think it would be a feather in our cap to cooperate with this kind of thing.

I think it would give us excellent exposure.

At the same time, I think it is going to be something that will help us when we get into our state legislation because at their meeting I brought out to them our strong feeling that we are going to move towards state legislation and in enlisting their aid at the state level. They said this was something they would be happy to cooperate with. That is, through the Committee in each of the states in connection with each of their chapters, to back the legislation that we would like to propose.

Therefore, I think this is something that would be good for us to cooperate with, not only as a service but also would be helpful to our organization in the long run.

I think you can see this from the report.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Dick, are they expecting anything from us now?

MR. MALACREA: Yes.

I think what you have to do is to look at it first and see if it is something that you would like to cooperate in or you feel we should cooperate in.

I think what we have to do then is to more or less nail it down, perhaps to have everybody look at it and contribute sentences, paragraphs or whatever -- narrow it down then to one or two people for their contribution and then have a new form either distributed to their Committee or to us so that this, in effect would then be a joint statement.

There are also a lot of other areas that I

thought we could contribute, I think, greatly to.

Of course, it is going to take some time to read all of this.

MR. DAVIS: Who wrote this?

MR. MALACREA: This was a Dr. Robert McLoud from Kentucky.

MR. DAVIS: What is his background?

MR. MALACREA: He played baseball, was a major league ball player, pitched for the A's a long time ago.

MR. DAVIS: In relation to the sponsor they are seeking, is this going to be tied in with commercialism?

MR. CRAMER: No commercialism at all. I have seen some of the material they have put out.

Dr. Schaeffer got Ross Laboratories and Gerber to put stuff out and, of course, with regard to Gerber, all of theirs involves a smiling baby on the back, that kind of thing.

There was a suggestion that maybe we could look to some of our friends also -- maybe a joint sponsorship -- this kind of thing which, I think, for example, Johnson & Johnson would entertain as a project.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I have a question. When you write a bibliography, some of the reference material, for example, is almost taken from another publication directly.

Therefore, where do we stand as an association if we become involved in something like this, especially with regard to the copyright laws?

Do you understand what I am asking?

I have reference to page 11 but I am sure we can go through the whole thing and find the same sort of thing.

In other words, because it is a non-profit type of thing, are we safe?

MR. MALACREA: I would think so.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: In other words, our cooperation is not going to interfere with the copyright laws?

MR. MALACREA: Not at all.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, even just a reproduction of materials is dangerous.

MR. MALACREA: With regard to the copyright laws, all you have to do is to change a few words and you are not plagiarizing. However, the principle of plagiarism is there. I have not had the opportunity to read this. This just came to me.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: For example, appendix B, I think is right almost word for word. I am on page 12.

MR. MALACREA: Well, I think I looked at the first copy and, yes, that is in here. Also, you see small kinds of hand scratching and that was in relation to Dr. Schaeffer.

We started looking at it and saying "this, this and this", and then we just stopped right there because there was just so much we thought had to be done to it. There are, for example, some sections that are just grossly underwritten.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Do you need a motion from the Board of Directors to do anything with that?

MR. MALACREA: Yes, but I think you had better

look at it first.

In other words, how do you feel about this generally?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Can we do this at the Winter Board Meeting?

MR. MALACREA: I think maybe we ought to look it over during the next couple of days and maybe act on it on Tuesday.

The Liaison Report is self-explanatory and, as I said, Dick Hoover was there and presented the program at Northwestern.

Also, Casey Clark was there and did a great job talking about NAIRS and there was the Committee feeling that they would like to support NAIRS insofar as providing the funds and they are going to suggest this to each chapter -- namely that they would provide \$50 for at least one high school in each of the chapters to start feeding information to NAIRS. They think that much of it.

In relation to page 2 of the report there, that was my pitch and there I was talking about the impending move toward legislation in order to alert this Committee that we are going to move towards some type of state legislation and to enlist their aid and support, and, of course, I think we have it.

I also think we have to think of something that Tom Schaecher feels strongly about, and that is his expression that he feels the trainer should be more closely allied to medicine than he is.

The trainer, at the moment, is closely allied to physical education. That is where all the schools are. However, he would like to see more cooperation between medicine and athletic training.

This is in keeping with, I think, our long-range goals. We would like to upgrade professional

education a bit and that is a possibility. However, there is a strong feeling he has on that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Does anybody have any comments on this particular thing? That is kind of a major thing.

MR. MALACREA: In 1978, the National Meeting will be held in New York and they intend to put on a real big splash in relation to Sports Medicine at this meeting. Therefore, we will cooperate with them, at least I will.

They have already suggested that Dr. Flynn from Connecticut will play a big hand in this and run a good show on sports medicine at the meeting and what they are trying to do is to get as many of the Pediatricians coming in from across the country as they can get involved at that meeting.

MR. DAVIS: Where is the 1977 meeting?

MR. MALACREA: I don't know. However, they are aiming for New York in 1978.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: So we are going to table this until Tuesday, the three recommendations and the like. We will just hold it until then, all three recommendations.

MR. MALACREA: However, there is one thing I ought to again mention and that is that they were very, very happy to have the NATA represented at their meeting. I think, therefore, we should continue our liaison.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Thank you.

Therefore, on Tuesday we will vote on these recommendations then.

Let me indicate to you that there is some interesting reading in there.

For example, Dr. Smith, a Pediatrician from Alaska, brought up a couple of experiences with hypothermia. You never even think about it in our neck of the woods. Therefore, as I say, it is interesting reading.

Well, at any rate, we will postpone further action on the recommendations contained in this report until Tuesday.

Now, we will go to item No. 19, the American College Health Association.

The report is there and there are no recommendations. I think it is a group of friends and I think they have been on our side pretty well for most of this.

Is there a motion to accept the report?

MR. FLENTJE: I would so move.

MR. WALL: Second the motion.

...There being no further discussion, the motion to accept the report was voted upon and unanimously carried...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We next go to the American College of Sports Medicine.

This likewise is a very influential group.

I don't know, last year they included a trainer quite a bit in their New Orleans meeting and this year they did not have a trainer at all on their speaking program. Gary seems to think that Dr. Jack Willmore will have more influence with the Board of the American College of Sports Medicine.

MR. ANDERSON: In what position?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The man's name is

Dr. Jack Willmore and he is going to be head of the Department of PE at the University of Arizona.

MR. ANDERSON: He is leaving his present group?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

Gary seems to think there is a possibility that the Trainers may be elevated to the status of Fellow.

MR. MELIN: The present requirements are to have a Ph.D.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

Are there any other comments in relation to this report?

MR. FLENTJE: I would move acceptance of the report.

MR. LEE: Second the motion.

...There being no further discussion, the motion to accept the report was voted upon and carried...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The next item has to do with the American Corrective Therapy Association.

Now, there was one recommendation that he made.

In relation to the man who represented us, as you know, Jeff represented us there and he ended up speaking on their program.

He made the recommendation that we have T.L. Harrington, who is speaking on the program, represent us at the meeting this year.

MR. WALL: May I comment on this?

Upon reading this, I took the liberty to go ahead and call Larry and he said he would be glad to do it if we wanted him to do it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, good. Thank you.

MR. WALL: Therefore, it is all ready.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is he coming here?

MR. WALL: Yes, he is coming in on Saturday morning and will be leaving on Tuesday morning.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Does anyone disagree with the idea here? After all, there will be no expenses involved in relation to NATA.

Do you agree with the idea of asking him to be liaison representative?

MR. CHAMBERS: I would so move.

MR. WALL: Second the motion.

...There being no further discussion, the motion was voted upon and carried...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Proceeding to the next agenda item, the American Physical Therapy Association, you have the original report of the June Board Meeting and then I sent this last thing which is an addition to the 1976 APTA Liaison Report.

You know, it appears that this group, more than anybody else, is either going to help us or hurt us with getting a state license passed. At least that is the way I look at it now.

They are, for example, much larger than we are. They have a lot more money than we have. I am not sure, however, they have more friends than we do

but they are a lot bigger than us.

One thing they have in their favor, of course, is that they are there. They have a license in every state and the license that we are trying to get now is a license to protect the athletic trainer. That is all we are trying to accomplish right now, allow them to use whirlpool and therapeutic exercises.

The APTA, when they first started out, tried for those licenses but now what they are trying to get is to get the license changed to be more prohibitory something which Pennsylvania just did, New Jersey also.

It cost Pennsylvania alone \$10,000 in the one state in lobbying fees, in expenses and things like that to accomplish it on the basis of a protective type of license, where it says that, for example, a Physical Therapist may use ultrasound, may use diathermy. Now, as to how well it says it, that is something else, but a Physical Therapist can use ultrasound, diathermy, whirlpool, etc.

However, there still seems to be that amount of disagreement between what is called a Physician's representative and the Physical Therapist.

In other words, the physician has the right to use those things but, on the other hand, does he have a right to allow someone under his supervision to use them?

In Massachusetts, for example, it has been interpreted that he does not, and yet there have been no waves made. However, if you read the letter to the editor in Athletic Training, two journals ago, the man who was a trainer in New York State and who is also a Therapist, had a rather strong letter in there about trainers who are using modalities and breaking the law.

Now, I would not expect to get much help from a guy like that.

Okay, in Pennsylvania, they have not given us much encouragement that they would help us.

In Rhode Island and New Jersey, talking to Dick, they have given us encouragement. They would help us get a license and for a number of reasons.

First of all, they would like to see us regulated. -- they would like to make sure that only people with college degrees are using modalities.

They would like to see that they know who else is using these treatments.

They would like to see that you are just in a school with an athletic team and not competing with them for patients off of the street for money.

They would like, in one particular instance, that we do not call ourselves physical therapists.

I don't know, Otho and I were going to talk on this later with regard to state licensure, whether it is time to change our image or our name to Athletic Therapist.

As you know, Bill says he is called an Athletic Therapist because he can get more money that way.

MR. CHAMBERS: That was just in relation to the job description. That is the only thing.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: In Rhode Island, that is exactly the same. Then, when they went to the State Legislature, you got about a \$4,000 raise because in Bill's case, he was now an Athletic Therapist and not an Athletic Trainer.

Getting back to this, however, as I say, the APTA, they can either help us or make it all murder for us. I don't know as to what is the best way to approach them -- whether to say nothing or try to sneak

it in.

In my case, I have talked to the President in Rhode Island and have tried to get them to help smooth the way in, coming in on the same Department of Health that they are in and using some of the resources, the same resources that they have used.

One big thing that the APTA is doing is they are studying the need for areas of specialization with an APTA. I have reported that to you more than once.

They now have, I have found, three general areas, involving the skeletal muscles and cardio-pulmonary. Now, I don't know how much further they are going to go but that is where they are now -- in those areas of specialization.

As I understand it, they are going to meet in New Orleans in about two weeks. They will have a workshop there by Dr. Cooper and, again, I will speak with Phil and a couple of the other trainers down in the area.

Now, I do not see these people, for example, who want to tape or get a job in the colleges or schools down there, as being in competition with us, but I do see them more and more wanting to become involved in affiliations, to get experience working with athletic trainers, and it is going to come to the point where they will find out, sooner or later, that our jobs are a lot nicer than their jobs and, therefore, we are really going to have to keep our eye on this affiliation thing.

MR. MALACREA: There were a couple of comments along that line that came out of the meeting of the American Academy of Pediatrics, whereby, for example, they can work with these people working at the high school level. In other words, they will be working at the hospital until three or four and then they will move into the high school for the rest of the day. You also have to think about that, and further, they are licensed to use modalities.

Further, the Director of the School of Physical Therapy Program at Penn is dead set against athletic training and athletics -- they don't like that kind of thing, but yet the first student from the University of Pennsylvania is going to have a function in sports medicine.

That is also going to be with us at Princeton. Gene Michael, who runs the whole school, he doesn't see any problem with athletic training in use of modalities and those kinds of things.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He is their Past President and he is also one I was dealing with. From him there isn't any trouble.

Now then, they are electing a new President in July and if the guy from Colorado, for example, gets it, then I think we are okay. However, if the guy from New York gets it -- well, that is a tough state. He is in their chapter and that is going to be the toughest with California being next.

MR. CHAMBERS: There is a move now being made in California. For example, the California Physical Therapy Association has a task force investigating people that are not listed and who use modalities and what they are after is these doctors who are hiring people to do it and what we are afraid of now, is the fact that they are going to nail us and, as an example, we are going to be the ones that are going to be hung out to dry.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It is certainly ridiculous because in most of these doctors' offices, they have people giving physical therapy treatments in the morning when the doctor is not even at the office at five or ten dollars a shot, with the secretary putting on the diathermy and ultrasound and they are collecting on this.

Well, okay, that is where we stand now in relation to this report. Are there any questions?

MR. LEE: Are you going to come back and talk more about this when we talk about licensure -- bring up the same points again?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

Are there any questions?

MR. ANDERSON: With regard to the nurse or somebody giving a modality treatment and then billing it as a physical therapy service, isn't that type of practice limited in a lot of the state physical therapy acts?

MR. MALACREA: In some states but not all.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: For example, Rhode Island is one of these being intimately involved. For example, everyone of the doctors runs a private physical therapy practice on the side, with the secretary putting the machine on.

MR. MALACREA: New Jersey passed an amendment to their enabling legislation which spells all of this out for the Physical Therapy Assistants and the Associates. There are two types of helpers for the Physical Therapists, an Associate and Assistant, and they are going to allow the Assistants to give the modalities and set them up.

MR. ANDERSON: Under the physician or the therapist?

MR. MALACREA: Under the therapist. This is going to be under a therapist, if they are allowed to do it.

Now, is there further discussion?

If not, I will entertain a motion to accept the report of the American Physical Therapy Association.

...It was severally moved, seconded

and unanimously carried that the report be accepted...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We will now proceed to item No. 23 having to do with the Joint Commission on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

As you know, the Joint Commission is meeting with us and their Business Meeting begins on Saturday morning or Saturday afternoon at one o'clock.

Also, Sunday they will have a number of speakers.

This, of course is a feather in our cap and we can thank Otho for all he did to get them here. It is really a feather in our cap. It is a fairly prestigious group.

MR. DAVIS: At this meeting we are going to discuss new membership, additional memberships into the Committee.

MR. ANDERSON: Where was their meeting held before?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It was with the NCAA. However, we have a lot of good friends on that Joint Commission who, in turn, helped to bring them here with us.

At any rate, that report is purely informational and there are no recommendations. Therefore, I will entertain a motion to accept the report of the Joint Commission.

MR. MALACREA: I would so move.

MR. LANE: Second the motion.

...There being no further discussion, the motion was voted upon and declared to be unanimously carried...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We next proceed to the Report of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

I understand there is no report and so we will proceed.

Next we come to the NCAA Football Rules Committee.

Well, first of all, they turned down our recommendation with regard to Speering and also our recommendation of casting material to be used to cover hand fractures and amputations. That is where we stand right now.

MR. LANE: I want to know how many college trainers lost their jobs because of the resolution we passed last year at Anaheim? (Laughter)

MR. DAVIS: I believe all we need to do is to have a motion to accept the report.

MR. FLENTJE: I would so move.

MR. LANE: Second the motion.

...There being no further discussion, the motion to accept the report was voted upon and declared to be unanimously carried...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We are next to the National Federation of State High School Associations.

Now, Bill gave us a report during our winter meeting. However, Bill, what is your feeling? Are they ever going to get us a certified trainer in every high school?

MR. CHAMBERS: Well, if it is to their benefit, they will. If not, the heck with it.

It will take some convincing but I think we will eventually do it.

MR. DAVIS: When they are forced into it.

MR. CHAMBERS: Right, when they are forced into it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I don't believe there is any action on that.

We next move on to NOCSAE.

MR. ANDERSON: You have here a kind of synopsis, on the third page back, as to what went on at the last meeting, which was in January, January 26th and 27th, when an open, by invitation meeting was held at Wayne State University. There is also a copy of the program back here, which I thought brought a lot out as to just what had gone on there.

There have been a lot of questions raised, a lot of questions were answered. Some also were not answered.

Also, one of the things brought out was just how much or just how little research had been done in the human neck function and its interplay with the head and what not, and also the development of an artificial neck to react as a human neck.

I suppose you have not had an opportunity to read this thing. However, the report does contain some things you may be interested in.

On the back of the report, you will find some reprints with regard to what is being done pertaining to research, indicating a kind of synopsis of what NOCSAE has been putting together -- how research is developed, how things are tested and what readings are derived and what not.

One thing the Committee will be looking at in relation to its June meeting is the upgrading of standards.

Right now, the severe time impact standard is

1500. It is under consideration and they are supposed to have data available for use then as a categorized percentage of how much there is, in the category of 1300 and 1500 in relation to some of these critical ranges and to see whether or not the standards should be revised and the test reading dropped to where it maybe may be 1250 or 1300, somewhere in there, which will involve a lot of these marginal helmets that are used.

The manufacturers have been apprised of the fact that all of this is under consideration. Some of the manufacturers are going to have to do some more upgrading in relation to protective equipment.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there a helmet, for example, that is outstandingly good?

MR. WALL: Well, all right.

From the information that Dr. Lordson has given, for example, he and the Chairman are the only ones that see the actual test readings of the composite list of helmets. Each manufacturer only receives the test reading pertaining to his particular helmet and only that.

Of course, I can also say, that now that these manufacturers do have some of the testing equipment, there is nothing preventing them from going out and buying another manufacturer's helmet and running their own tests to see where they stand. That is to be understood.

However, it has not as yet gotten into a sales promotion gimmick. It did at one time before anything was really ever finalized and there were a few lawsuits back and forth which are available if anybody would care to read that voluminous material.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The Board has all of that?

MR. WALL: I don't know whether they have all of that or not. It will not be available to the

general public.

Now, I believe at the winter meeting there was something mentioned to the effect that there would be a Army Manual coming out that was going to list some of these things. However, I have not been able to locate that manual as yet. I am still looking for it.

Let me say, in this connection, that I am in the Army Reserve and one of my duties has to do with Army publications. I handle all publications for my unit and so I have been scanning the Military Indexes looking for this listing.

Now, if anybody ever runs across what that Military number is, whether it be in relation to a technical bulletin or whatever, let me know and I can order it and we can find out where they stand. We can just, for example, get ten or twelve copies.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Maybe someone at West Point could help us.

MR. MALACREA: I think, with regard to the helmets there was something in an Army Manual as to the testing of them and I believe that with regard to the crash helmets, they were going to indicate names.

MR. WALL: Well, as I say, I have been trying to get this information. Therefore, if anybody can help me find out what it is, please let me know.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I will try to ask some of the West Point people if they know anything about it.

MR. WALL: The Army Laboratory was involved in this round-robin research and so I know they have data and they may be the ones that are publishing this particular manual. However, if somebody can find out the publications number, I can order it, at least as long as it is not classified insofar as Department of Defense classification is concerned.

You know, when I say "classified", I am talking

about "secret" and higher -- what they call "confidential" and "official" -- for official use only.

MR. DAVIS: What is the feeling of NOCSAE toward the American Society of Testing Materials?

MR. WALL: It is "anti" right now. Well, it is not really "anti", but in some areas they feel there is competition.

As you may know, ASTM is still plugging along to develop helmet standards.

The position of NOCSAE right now is that they have the standard already written, which, in turn, has been presented to the Consumer Products Safety Commission for their action.

If they want to accept it as a voluntary industry standard, then NOCSAE feels that is okay -- if they feel they have to have helmet standards, then let them go ahead and adopt our standards.

Here I have reference to the NOCSAE standards.

NOCSAE feels that if ASTM has a standard on wrestling mats, for example, that is okay, let NOCSAE adopt the ASTM standard on wrestling mats but give the ASTM credit.

As it goes right now, NOCSAE feels that ASTM wants to use the basic NOCSAE standard with the ASTM stamp on it or even a label, disregarding NOCSAE. This is where a lot of the antagonism is coming from.

As I understand it, this goes way back.

MR. DAVIS: Yes, to Walter Byers. It goes back to the split-off from the two groups. Way back, the people involved with NOCSAE were working with ASTM and the split-off came over the metal head form. It all originated with the desire of ASTM to have a standard developed to prevent head injuries. They

became interested and called a meeting for protective equipment in athletics to get the thing started and all the people showed up and NCAA was invited and then Byers said "there is no way somebody else is going to tell me how to do something".

Therefore, he was the big factor in getting NOCSAE started, at least as you can see from the money that is being poured into it.

MR. WALL: When it comes to the manufacturers' association and the NCAA, they are involved with ninety percent of the funds.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Tom, your recommendation is to continue liaison?

MR. WALL: Correct.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Let's take that one first, then.

Now, you would like to be relieved after this June?

MR. WALL: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: First of all, is there a motion to continue liaison?

MR. FLENTJE: I would so move.

MR. LEE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The motion is to continue liaison and that Tom be relieved after this June.

...There being no further discussion, the motion was voted upon and carried...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The next item is the USOC and I believe we have already talked about that.

With regard to State Licensure, that will be handled tomorrow morning.

I might stop and inject at this point that tomorrow we will meet from nine to twelve, one to six and then until about midnight, probably. At least we are going to get it all done, with the exception of a few minor things.

We may have to come back on Saturday morning but hopefully, not.

With that, we will recess this meeting until nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

...Whereupon, the meeting was recessed to reconvene at nine o'clock the following morning...
