

progress reports indicate this.

They further indicate he wants now to be able to give their report. We asked for this at the June meeting. He wants to give it now so that we can give him approval now so that he, in turn, can advertise for next summer and not have happen what happened before.

He needs that approval now.

Now, if he waits until June, for example, it is too late to advertise for the summer courses.

MR. DAVIS: Apparently the approved curriculum schools or coordinators are not too worried about him taking jobs away because they were at the meeting -- how many were there?

MR. LEE: Isn't that the reason -- because the jobs don't exist anyway?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Most of these people are people who are not teaching physical education.

Many of them were teaching history and math, and I was surprised. He had a wide smattering of everything. His people are interested in athletics.

MR. WHITE: I move we accept it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Moved by District No.4. Is there a second?

MR. LEE: Second.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Seconded by District No. 7.

Is there any discussion?

All in favor? Is anybody withholding or voting in the negative? The motion passes ten-zero.

Now, the next one, No. 5, I believe, he is asking for \$2500 to hold a meeting at Nashville, Tennessee next year.

He wants to run it so that they can plan -- begin planning for it now.

This is to involve Program Directors, people who will pay their own way to Nashville, pay their own hotel and for their own food, everything.

He wants \$2500 for planning, for expenses and for things like that.

MR. BIRDWELL: For planning?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: My recommendation to him was to charge a fee for this course. The people who come have to pay.

That is like in conjunction with the APTA -- in other words, they make a lot of money. As I said, it is also time for us to start doing this.

MR. DAVIS: Also, Frank and I discussed this a bit and we felt that if they find, in relation to their pre-registration, that it is not going to go over, then they can cancel the thing.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Please understand, for example, that this is not the winter meeting of the Education Committee -- this is a meeting for Program Directors -- to teach them how to be better teachers, really.

MR. MALACREA: What will be the cost of the course, \$50?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, Otho and I both said \$50. We figured \$40 and so we might get somewhere in-between the two. For the time being, it is \$50.

MR. DAVIS: Make it \$75.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: As I say, we are going to recommend \$50 but then let them set the fee they think they need.

MR. DAVIS: Don't recommend anything. Just recommend that they charge and that the conference be self-supporting and if they find, at the pre-registration level, it is not going to be self-supporting, then it can be cancelled.

MR. WHITE: Is this different from what they are planning on doing at the Hyatt?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. WHITE: They are having a professional education conference?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, each Director is going to get up and speak at that meeting for about twenty minutes. At that particular one they will have outside people.

For example, to the one that Otho and I attended, they had outside people -- HEW, medical doctors and Ph.D.'s all who spoke to these guys on how to run a better program.

MR. WHITE: In connection with Dearborn, for example, they are expecting 200 people.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Every Program Director.

MR. DAVIS: It is just a course you can take -- students or anybody can take this course.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The one you are talking about in relation to Dearborn, this will be an all-day affair that is being run on Sunday afternoon.

MR. WHITE: Well, they just requested a room for 200 people.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: This is the Program Directors.

They are all going to get together and discuss their problems and try to iron them out. Each guy is going to get about twenty minutes to speak.

That is on Saturday.

MR. WHITE: That is 200 people there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I cannot see 200 people showing up but then, who knows?

I don't know how many they had in Boston.

MR. DAVIS: That is something else.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, on Sunday, that is going to be about 200 people and they will charge \$5 each for two sessions and they should make about \$2,000. This is going to involve two rooms.

We recommended a fee be charged in order to have this self-supporting and that if the pre-registration doesn't indicate sufficient interest, that it be cancelled.

That is the recommendation. May I have a motion to this effect.

MR. MALACREA: I would so move.

MR. BIRDWELL: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there further discussion?

If not, all in favor? Is there any opposition, any abstaining? It is carried unanimously.

MR. BIRDWELL: We are saying we are turning down a request for \$2500 and telling them to make it

self-supporting?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Right.

MR. WHITE: Did we turn down a budget of \$2500? He is going to need some money to start operating with.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He has a \$9,000 budget.

MR. WHITE: Okay.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He has enough money there, I think, on which he can operate.

MR. DAVIS: He has enough to get started and see if this thing will go.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That was meant to pay for programs, speakers, their travel expense and their room and board and that is something you don't have to do until afterwards. That is really what the \$2500 was for.

Now, I wonder if we first need a motion to deny that request.

Will someone make a motion.

MR. BIRDWELL: I thought that is what the motion was.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The motion was to charge for it. Well, okay, that is the same thing.

MR. BIRDWELL: Deny the request -- make it self-supporting or drop it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, this is what I am talking to you about.

MR. DAVIS: You need another motion to

change it.

MR. FLENTJE: For record purposes, I would move we deny request No. 5 of the Professional Education Committee.

... The motion was severally seconded ...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You have before you a motion, severally seconded, to deny request No. 5 of the Professional Education Committee.

Is there further discussion?

All in favor; any opposed? The motion is unanimously carried.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then we recommended a fee be charged to have this self-supporting and if the pre-registration does not indicate sufficient interest, it should be cancelled.

Now, that was moved by No. 2 and seconded by No. 6 and it passed.

Now, they want to sell their stuff and here (indicating) are the two books they want to sell.

I have made some recommendations regarding these books.

Like I say, we spent many hours going through them.

In relation to some of the things I recommended, well, as you know, one is that the student ratio be dropped from one instructor to fifteen to between six and eight students to each instructor. That was one of the Board's indications to Bud last June.

Another thing I indicated to them was a certified trainer must teach the basic course in athletic training and a certified trainer must teach the advanced

course in athletic training, the reason for this being they did not use the word "should" -- really, did not use the word "shall" but used the word "should".

Now, that is merely a small thing in relation to the wording but I think they did correct that in the form that you received.

Did you all have a chance to read this?

MR. MALACREA: Was there a fully student teacher? Is that in the chart -- like 27 to 1; 33 to 1 -- is that all within the guidelines?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: If we approve these guidelines, that will all be changed and this will be something that will be kept up-to-date each year.

Every year, for example, they must fill out this form or they lose their approval.

MR. SANDIFER: Was there anything said about coming up, within our curriculum, for example, of not admitting students into the curriculum until they are in their sophomore year?

Do you remember anything like that being said?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, yes, they did discuss that, but it didn't seem like it was very important. It depended on the school situation.

For example, some schools do not allow a student to specialize until their sophomore year and they have no control over those particular schools at all.

There were other schools, on the other hand, who did not allow them to specialize until their junior year, I understand and some schools allow this right from the freshman year, allow you to specialize right from there, and they let that be a school determining

factor.

MR. MALACREA: In that regard, there is a statement in the category that the student trainer perform some of the duties of the athletic trainer. Now, suppose you get a program that does not let them go into a training room until their junior or senior year -- are they, on that basis, eligible for a student membership when they check they are actively engaged and they don't work or are not in the training room?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Some of the surveys that you have say this.

Several of the Program Directors fill it out wrongly.

Some of them that I know who are close to me, well, one certified trainer has 27 students. In other places, there are five certified trainers all doing clinical supervision.

I think, on that basis, there is only one individual at Mankato, do you know about that, Bob?

MR. WHITE: I think so but I am not quite certain.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I told them -- don't expect to come to the Board with one certified trainer at a school and expect us to approve that school.

They then indicated that there might be special circumstances when they may want to do that and I said, "well, I don't think we will ever approve it."

They said, "well, what if there is only one trainer at the school and he has no more than three or four students?"

I said, "you put it in but I am not sure we are ever going to approve that school".



Therefore, that is the way it is written in the book. If only one certified trainer is at that school, they cannot have more than three or four students. If there are two, then they can have six or eight students but there is only one trainer at this institution and so it only provides for three or four.

Also, they asked me about what happens if a guy gets sick.

Well, what about the University of Arizona, and perhaps even other schools, where we have had one individual who has had a heart attack. However, they do have three other guys covering the courses and that is the kind of continuity we need in the program.

If a certified trainer in connection with a one-man program gets sick, then we are in trouble.

That is the way I explained about this matter of continuity and so I think that basically is good.

However, I want something from you fellows. Is there something in the book you don't like, that you don't want to approve? Let me say that it is too late to read it now.

MR. MALACREA: Insofar as I, am concerned, I think the thing to look for is correlation between the student-teacher ratio and the average scores on their examinations.

That just kind of reinforces our own ideas on why we like to see a lower student-teacher relationship.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there any discussion on that under-graduate curriculum?

They have been working for some three years on this.

We have been telling them we want it done,

that it should answer the many, many questions and problems that they have been having approving curriculums and that we have been having also.

You know, it is like Bill said -- "didn't that guy know he was supposed to notify the Education Committee?"

Well now, when he gets the book and has to fill out this form every year, he will know right away if there is not a certified trainer in the training room.

MR. FLENTJE: I have a question.

Now, assuming we approve this, the currently approved schools, how long are they going to have to comply with this until they are in difficulty?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They will have to fill out a form next year that indicates this.

MR. FLENTJE: However, they are approved for five years, are they not?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No, because they have to do it every year.

I would think it would be within a reasonable amount of time.

I don't think, for example, you can drop from 67 to one student but I also told them that by the time their next re-evaluation came up that they had to meet these guidelines -- they had to be just as strict with the schools that they have now as they are with the incoming schools.

MR. FLENTJE: In other words, there will be due notice to the currently approved schools to get their house in order?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, if it is next year,

they have to do it by next year or they go on probation for a year.

Then if they don't meet it, it is done.

However, if they say the same one was approved last year, then this guy is lucky -- he has four years in which to do it -- but then that definitely also includes approval of curriculums.

MR. LEE: What is the ratio now, Frank?

Why don't you make this clear?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The ratio?

Well, as I indicated previously, if there is only one person there, he cannot have more than 4 students. However, I told them that I did not see us approving any one trainer's school.

MR. DAVIS: What are they going to do with the ratio of one to sixty-two?

MR. LEE: To my way of thinking, he is going to have to bring his house into order.

MR. DAVIS: Without football?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, they know that is a problem.

My guess is that he has one other program they are considering dropping, especially when you read the material.

MR. FLENTJE: Is that, for example, three or four students per?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Total in the program -- at one time.

MR. DAVIS: What if he has one trainer --

four students in the approved program -- what if he has another five students that are in the approved program?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He cannot sign for them as apprentices for certification.

MR. LEE: The curriculum, you mean?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Say, for example, those five kids who are not in the approved curriculum want to be certified -- they cannot be.

That came from Texas.

MR. DAVIS: Why?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Because you cannot do an apprenticeship at an approved curriculum school.

... Cries of "yes" ...

MR. WHITE: Has that been determined?

MR. FLENTJE: Who said so?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: This Committee.

MR. FLENTJE: Well, it is not in the material anywhere.

MR. LEE: There are some fellows who have asked to do it that way.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You are talking about Tow Diehm. He was one who fought for this but they voted him down and it is because of things that happen.

For example, a guy does not like the way the curriculum director is running it.

MR. DAVIS: You have to go back to the certification again, put something in there to block it.

MR. FLENTJE: However, it doesn't say that you cannot.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I know that they discussed this among the two committees.

MR. MALACREA: I would send somebody in due to ignorance.

MR. FLENTJE: Yes.

For example, how are you going to decide which four get the approval and which five do not?

MR. LEE: I thought it was they can only have three or four in a clinical setting at that time; you can have four more students taking the course work, is that correct?

MR. DAVIS: That is not what that means, is it?

It means the curriculum in relation to your total program.

MR. FLENTJE: Then the next question that comes up is what happens to those institutions that are making them take everybody that wants in?

MR. MALACREA: Do you have a page on this?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I am looking for it now.

MR. LEE: It is toward the end.

MR. DAVIS: For example, I am at a school where I am the only trainer there -- we have a full sports program -- I have an approved program in athletic training and you tell me I can have four a year -- a ratio of one or whatever it is.

Now, with this full program, there is no way that I can adequately give them complete coverage that they really need with our staff.

Therefore, how do you handle this?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Fellows, it is on page 20.

MR. DAVIS: I go out and get five more non-approved curriculum students.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There is a typographical error on page 20. They have left something out there in the undergraduate education program -- supervision and instruction of athletic training students in the clinical aspects of the program is of prime importance. An effective ratio of students to clinical instructors shall be maintained. Determination of an effective student-clinical instructor ratio shall be based on consideration of the scope of the athletic program, total workload of the clinical instructors and availability of facilities.

In most instances, the ratio should not exceed six to eight students per clinical instructor.

That is where there is the typographical error -- "six to eight students per clinical instructor".

This is what I had them reword. Then there should be a period there and a new sentence:

"When the Program Director is the only clinical instructor, the ratio should be limited to three to four students to one clinical instructor".

Again, as I said, I told them I did not see us passing a one clinical instructor program again.

I told them I did not see us making them get rid of the ones they have now just to meet those requirements.

Take Paul Zeek down there in Texas -- I think he is the only one there.

MR. BIRDWELL: He is the only one.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We are not going to make him drop this program but next time he comes up for review, he had better have only three to four students in that program.

MR. BIRDWELL: All four programs from the State of Texas only have one certified trainer.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then, on that basis, they can only have three to four certified students in the program.

MR. DAVIS: However, what if you are not in the program?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What if you are not in the program?

What is your question?

MR. LEE: If he is not in the program, he is not following the curriculum. He could certainly be going the apprenticeship route.

MR. DAVIS: He sure could.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They will not allow it.

MR. LEE: Who will not allow it? You just cannot stop it.

MR. DAVIS: I go through school -- I am majoring in athletic training -- I am in an approved program -- there is only one trainer there and he has four students and he needs some more help. Now, what is he going to do, keep the guy from going out and recruiting some guy, for example, who is an engineer and who cannot play sports?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, what would you like to put in there?

MR. WHITE: They do not have any authority

over that person.

MR. BIRDWELL: Well, the problem you are going to run into is this.

MR. DAVIS: What I am getting at, it is the fact that you are taking time.

MR. BIRDWELL: However, you are going to run into a deal because everybody wants a state law and say, of all the four schools in the State of Texas, three of them are state schools and some kid wants to come there, come into the state school -- well, it is going to be tough to keep them out of the program.

Most of them are coming there just strictly for the hours and they are meeting the state's requirements to get a state license and you are going to run into problems because you are going to create a monster here that is going to conflict with your state laws when you get them passed through.

MR. FLENTJE: Let me ask you -- what do the rest of the professional schools do? They don't have any problems with the state house do they?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I don't understand that -- you are way above me. Surely they have problems.

MR. FLENTJE: Where does it say so?

MR. WHITE: Nobody has to go to that Committee to have an apprenticeship approved.

MR. BIRDWELL: That is what I am saying.

MR. LEE: I believe I brought that up.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What is that?

MR. LEE: That you cannot go the apprenticeship route in a curriculum school.



PRESIDENT GEORGE: You cannot and that is Lindsay's interpretation.

MR. FLENTJE: No, no.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: A Program Director cannot sign for someone who is not in his program.

MR. WHITE: They may be able to say that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Who is going to sign for them?

MR. FLENTJE: Any certified trainer.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No, no, no way. The guy who supervises them for some 1800 hours has to sign for them.

MR. LEE: I know what you are bringing up -- I know the problem.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, as I indicated, the guy supervising them for the 1800 hours has to sign. Nobody can sign that unless he has supervised them.

MR. LEE: It is not in this material, Bill, because I know. What you are saying is not in here.

MR. WHITE: For example, the Committee could say to a curriculum school "you cannot have an apprenticeship; the certified athletic trainer in the curriculum program cannot sign apprenticeship students". I think they have that right.

MR. MELIN: On the basis there was too much involved in relation to the clinical structure?

MR. WHITE: Yes, because that would invalidate the curriculum program.

MR. DAVIS: There is nothing in there that says that I cannot accept this kid outside of the

program -- probably as one of my student trainers?

MR. FLENTJE: That is correct.

MR. WHITE: But they should have it in there if they are in fact, as you say, imposing it.

MR. BIRDWELL: That is what is going on in Texas.

MR. WHITE: This has to be written in there somewhere.

Most of these kids are meeting the educational requirements for state license. Look at how many from the state have taken the examination, especially according to the average here.

MR. BIRDWELL: What I am saying is, you know, they are in the program and we have not done anything to say or see that they cannot be.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The Education and the Certification Committees have done something between themselves to say that a Program Director cannot sign for an apprenticeship. Don't tell me "no" Bill, they have, because I was there.

I sat with them myself for three days and listened to them.

They can decide to do that if they desire.

However, as I say, Tow Diehm fought it pretty hard.

MR. FLENTJE: However, it is not written anywhere.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: But it is in the certification policies.

MR. LEE: However, that is something we do

not have.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The only one who can sign that is the guy who supervised them for 1800.

MR. FLENTJE: Correct.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: And that cannot be the Program Director.

It can be somebody else. For example, at Penn State, they have eight trainers. Bud has maybe ten in his program.

Now, if Chuck Medlar has a kid working for him for 1800 hours, he can sign for him but Bud cannot.

MR. LEE: That is right.

MR. MALACREA: However, does it say that where we can read it?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They are fighting this. The Education Committee doesn't want that at all.

MR. LEE: What?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: To allow them in that school to go the apprenticeship route.

MR. LEE: I can see their thinking there also.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: For example, why take all of the hard courses?

All I have to do is to go the apprenticeship route.

MR. MALACREA: Is that in our guidelines?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Lindsay was with that

Committee -- he sat with them and they went over all of this.

MR. WHITE: I agree, it should be written down somewhere. I think it is a good rule.

MR. FLENTJE: Yes, it has to be written somewhere.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is in with Lindsay's policies of what is two years of supervision for a PT? That is in Lindsay's program, in his policies.

MR. FLENTJE: But the thing is we are still not keeping the programs from taking in as many people as they want.

They just require so many in our program and the rest work in the training room. They have another certified trainer that signs for them and they can go on this special consideration or under apprenticeship and you have the same number of people.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No, they cannot, Bill -- not if there is one guy at that school they cannot.

MR. WHITE: You just created a position where there is more than one.

MR. FLENTJE: Where there is more than one?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. FLENTJE: But it is the same thing.

For example, if Gordie Graham has one more trainer, then the guy can sign for the other 56.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Up to 16.

MR. DAVIS: No -- he can sign for all of them.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: If they all work 1800 hours?

MR. DAVIS: That is right.

MR. FLENTJE: That is what we are trying to get away from.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You are trying to get away from the apprenticeship route.

MR. FLENTJE: I bitch like hell at the Education Committee.

Look at your Certification Committee Report. How many, what percent of them who get certified come through Education and how many come through the apprenticeship? Sixty-two percent come through the apprenticeship.

Do you want to stop this influx of kids? If you do, then cut out the apprenticeship, don't cut out the Education.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No, Bill, I think you are headed the wrong way.

We have to bitch at the apprenticeship people and not at the education people.

MR. DAVIS: He is trying to point out the loopholes to you and that is all he is trying to do.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: So what you would like to say is that in relation to an approved curriculum at that school, there can be no apprenticeship training at that particular school?

MR. DAVIS: What are you going to do with a case like TCU?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What is the case there?

MR. DAVIS: They have not had a graduate in two years.

MR. BIRDWELL: Four years.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then they are done. They give them two years here. If they don't have a program in two years, they have to fold.

MR. LEE: That is right.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is in the book.

MR. DAVIS: They have a program but no-one taking the examination.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We cannot say anything if the kid wants to take the examination or not -- we cannot do anything about that.

MR. WHITE: But they have to have them graduate from the program?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

However, we cannot make them take the examination.

MR. WHITE: I think this is all a misunderstanding.

MR. LEE: However, I believe we now have it cleared up.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: But a clinical supervisor, program director, one individual cannot sign for an apprentice at that school. However, do you think he should be able to?

MR. FLENTJE: I don't think he should but what I am saying is that the other people working for him can sign for these other people.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, the other people can.

MR. FLENTJE: However, that is what I do not want him to do because it is weakening the program.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then you want to have no apprentice graduates?

MR. FLENTJE: Out of an approved curriculum school.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, that is the policy now.

Do you want to make it a Board thing then, namely, that is good? I believe if you do, you will be making a lot of waves.

MR. FLENTJE: I think somebody should know about it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: But then, Bill, I think you have to say there should be no apprenticeship programs anywhere.

MR. FLENTJE: I do not agree with that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I do.

For example, there are eight trainers at Penn State -- why should not Chuck be able to have an apprentice going to him?

MR. DAVIS: They took the option of having an approved program at that school and this is what they are to follow -- that is what they wanted. If they don't want an approved school, then they should get out of it and stay with the apprentice route.

You either do it one way or the other, not two.

MR. BIRDWELL: Do you mean to tell me there

are trainers who have approved curriculums and who have kids say "hey, I don't like you"?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That happened in Texas.

MR. BIRDWELL: "I don't like your approved curriculum but you are not going to be able to run me out of the training room"?

MR. DAVIS: Apparently that is still going on.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They continue to do it. I am not saying they are all doing it.

Also, Lindsay also tells me he does not approve anybody from those institutions.

MR. WHITE: I think we ought to ask for a report from the Membership or the Curriculum Committee or the Education Committee and Certification Committee for the June Meeting, with the expectation of the Board voting on this.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think we ought to put it in here, put it in here right now or later tell them that is what we want.

MR. WHITE: We cannot put it in here.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We make a recommendation.

MR. WHITE: I think we ought to ask them for a report and that we ought to express to them our feelings and ask them if they know of some reasons why that should not be done. After all, they are the people that are dealing with educational curriculums all the time.

I don't think we should, without at least communicating with them, say we think they should not have.



PRESIDENT GEORGE: Would you hold this up for another six months?

MR. WHITE: No.

You can approve it. What is there to stop us from approving that?

There is nothing to stop us from approving that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is okay.

MR. BUNCH: What happens if somebody enrolled in this under the provisions, for example, of something like a catalog, where it is retroactive?

MR. WHITE: You can make it, for example, four years from now as long as they are making progress.

We are talking about six months now.

MR. CHAMBERS: You are right about that, the college catalog.

MR. WHITE: If we say it now, all we are doing is stopping at six months than if we say "in June".

MR. DAVIS: Perhaps you can put a date on there now something on the order of six months from now.

MR. LEE: What is that?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is okay.

I would like to hear a motion.

MR. WHITE: I would like to have the Education Committee and the Certification Committee respond to our thinking, to our thoughts that curriculum schools should not be allowed to graduate apprentice trainers.

MR. FLENTJE: Or special consideration.

MR. WHITE: I did not say that.

MR. FLENTJE: Just adding "or special consideration", because they can get in under that also.

If he takes their course work, he can provide proof of essential equivalent course work.

MR. WHITE: However, that has to be beyond the student level.

MR. BIRDWELL: Can a school have a degree program in athletic training whether we approve it or not?

... Cries of "yes" ...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: But they cannot apply for certification under Section 1.

MR. BIRDWELL: They can be Associates, correct.

MR. LEE: No, no, students.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They cannot apply for certification under Section 1.

MR. LEE: They would have to go the apprenticeship route.

MR. BIRDWELL: They would still have a degree in athletic training but then they would come under the Associate?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, I have that we would like the Certification and the Education Committees to respond as to whether the curriculum school should not be allowed to graduate apprenticeship or special

consideration candidates for certification.

That was made by District 4.

Is there a second?

MR. CHAMBERS: Would you repeat that?

... The above motion was then repeated by President George ...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Let me say that I am in favor of that 100 percent. I was three years ago when it was brought up by District No. 6 and I still am in favor of it right now and, insofar as I know, that is the policy now.

MR. BIRDWELL: I will second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Made by District No. 4 and seconded by District No. 6. Is there further discussion?

MR. JORDAN: When will the report come back?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: For the June Board Meeting.

I know that the Education Committee is behind that 100 percent, all except for one individual on it, who did not like the idea.

Okay, we have had enough discussion of it.

All in favor? Anybody opposed? The motion carries ten-zero.

MR. BUNCH: Did we talk already about candidates coming out of these programs that can still go for Section No. 3 once they are graduated from school?

Can that be done?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: According to this, no.

MR. BUNCH: How about the ones that graduated from schools and had five years in the profession?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, according to the way I read this, it says "no".

MR. BUNCH: So they go out and get a job as an athletic trainer and they get not the trainer that supervises in the school but some other trainer responsible -- they cannot become a member of the Association?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, according to what you just said, I would say "no".

They didn't discuss special consideration cases at all. They only discussed apprenticeship at this meeting. They did not even consider special certification.

MR. BUNCH: So that individual would be dead insofar as the Association is concerned?

MR. LEE: We don't know yet.

MR. MALACREA: In the same limelight in there, you cannot accumulate hours as a student that count towards "Actively Engaged". It has to be after you are a student?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is right.

MR. MALACREA: Back to Northwestern University.

Is that individual a student during those three years?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No.

MR. MELIN: These people are employed at some other institution and taking their program separately.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Are there more questions about it?

Undergraduate guidelines for development?

MR. WHITE: I would move we accept them.

MR. LEE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there discussion on that?

If not, all in favor? Any in opposition?  
Carried by a vote of ten-zero.

Now, if you approve that one, the other one is so similar that unless you know of something you want in it, I will ask for a motion.

I am talking about graduate programs.

MR. FLENTJE: It is not mentioned in here anywhere and this is something that was mentioned at the last meeting -- if a program changes significantly, for example, that the NATA would bear the cost of a re-evaluation.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, if we are the accuser, I think we have to pay for the visit.

MR. FLENTJE: Why?

MR. LEE: It could be groundless.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, could be.

MR. MALACREA: They are required, if there is any change in the program, to report that change.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, and then if we see that requires a visit, then they would have to pay. However, if we are the accuser without them reporting something then we have to pay.

MR. FLENTJE: Okay.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Like in this particular one, where they are having a problem at Long Beach. He has to pay for that -- Long Beach does. He is paying for that.

MR. DAVIS: The trainer asked to take a certification examination last week.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All of them are working under other certified trainers.

MR. CHAMBERS: A number of people were working for people and one guy was not even a member of NATA and he had this non-member who has since joined.

However, he was told he did not need to join the NATA.

MR. LEE: This is one thing I spoke to the Committee about. I told them they are getting into what I later called affiliations in relation to other schools because programs are getting too big.

My recommendation to them is that all clinical supervisors, clinical supervision, must be by a certified athletic trainer and if they find he has a student in a school where there is no certified athletic trainer, then he is probably going to lose it.

MR. CHAMBERS: That is fine with me, because they have a pretty good program down there and none of the individuals are working as athletic trainers.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: And I understand that the athletic department will not allow it, is that correct?

MR. CHAMBERS: We are, but I don't know. I think we are getting ahead of ourselves.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I understand he has a

good educational program.

Well, is there a motion to accept the graduate curriculum?

MR. CHAMBERS: I will so move.

MR. JORDAN: Second.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Motion made by District 8, seconded by District No. 1. Is there further discussion? If not, all in favor? Any opposed?

Unanimously carried, ten-zero.

MR. FLENTJE: I move we table Nos. 9 and 10 until we get to the computer.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They want us to approve the indefinite postponement. Right now it is postponement until January 1, 1978, is that correct?

... Cries of "yes" ...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think we have to because Bud is getting in a load of continuing education material from various people.

MR. DAVIS: We get that all the time.

MR. WALL: We sent that continuing education back to the subcommittee for revision.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The way it is written now in the procedure for certification, in order to maintain your certification, starting January 1, 1977, you have to keep up with your CPR so we have to say something about it.

I have to blame us and not the Committee, I think.

MR. SANDIFER: Would it not be postponed

indefinitely from year to year the way it is worded?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

MR. BIRDWELL: Item No. 59 is from my District. They wanted just continuing education and so we can kill that item while we are right here.

Their recommendation to me was, and they voted that they wanted to know how much money would be spent on continuing education, how much money had been spent?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Nothing, zero.

MR. MELIN: I believe Bill made a motion to postpone all of this until we get to the computer part of it.

MR. FLENTJE: Yes, because I feel this is the essence of these two items, that without the computer situation, we don't know anything here.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, let's talk about it now then.

We will go until eight o'clock and it is twenty minutes of.

Now, there is a motion to table this. Is there a second?

No second.

Let's talk about computers.

We have never come up with a figure, I don't think, of less than \$10,000 in relation to renting computer time from other people.

I talked to Cramer's because they have just put in their own computer -- well, they have really bought it -- they lease it and they pay and so I called



IBM for the system they use.

It is called System No. 32.

Now, we could rent this system from IBM with an option to buy after three years if we wanted it, rent it at \$1,000 a month and that would be our own computer.

That would do, I think, all of our membership, all of our dues notifications, all of our labels printed out, all of our continuing education, all of our membership surveys.

I think it would do everything, for example, that the Association needs done but I don't know that much about computers.

Now, it seems to me relatively inexpensive if than to rent just the time we wanted from somebody else was \$10,000 to \$12,000 a year.

That is what College Health tried to charge us last time.

MR. BUNCH: Did this include the person handling it?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, and the room it is kept in.

Therefore, if we are going to buy our own computer, we then have to have a room to keep it in and a person to operate it.

Now, this particular system can be operated by a non-professional -- by a clerk, by a secretary -- in that it has what is called a prompter, a screen, so that when you punch one thing, information on the screen will tell you what button you have to punch next in order to get the answer you want.

That is called a prompter. That is why it can be run by someone with a couple of hours of

experience on it.

MR. BUNCH: What about your computer service system, the WATS deal? Were you not looking into that?

MR. DAVIS: Well, it did not pan out the way I thought it should.

Here again, this is the one that Frank is talking about.

MR. SANDIFER: When you talk \$1,000 a month, what are you talking about that it will save us in the long run?

MR. DAVIS: It is going to improve the system but, insofar as cost is concerned, saving us money, it is not going to do it in the long run.

MR. SANDIFER: But it is updating the system?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

Well, let me correct my previous statement and say that in years to come it will probably save us money. However, initially it is not going to save us money.

We will also have a two to three hundred dollar one-time fee for the tapes. Each of these tapes you have to purchase separately.

MR. BUNCH: Would this go into Mrs. Franklin's Office?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, this is what we discussed a couple of years ago and we gave Otho permission to begin the mechanics, we the Board, to move the office to Philadelphia.

MR. DAVIS: You voted that two years ago.

MR. BUNCH: Could you move it if you got

this?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

MR. BUNCH: How much money will we save by moving the office there?

How much would it save as compared with Lafayette?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think that our bills in connection with Lafayette are approximately \$30,000 a year but I believe Otho has it.

MR. DAVIS: Well, okay.

It is very difficult to tell exactly what goes in there because of the breakdown in the billing. We can give you December, 1975, and January, February and March of 1976, for four months.

The figure is \$5,736. Actually it is basically secretaries. This is for the cost of our secretarial salaries, a secretary for the list changes made on the name plates and work done in connection with the dues.

In four months, for example, it has averaged some \$1400 a month.

Then there are some additions to this, of course, of stencilling, postage, etc.

MR. BUNCH: Could you do the same thing at Philadelphia with the computer and office space and a secretary for less or how much?

MR. DAVIS: Well, I think the figure would be the same or more.

MR. BUNCH: Much more?

MR. DAVIS: Well, I think a minimum salary

probably for a secretary is \$135 a week. Over this same period of time, four months, it is \$540 a month, \$2,160 for four months. So it would come to \$6,160 as opposed to \$5,730. However, you have a computer, you have a built-in system.

I am talking now in three areas of salaries, for three things -- the secretary, list changes and the work done on the dues. That is what we paid for those four months, which, incidently, is the large four-month period of the year.

MR. JORDAN: On the other hand, would this not solve some other problems concerning membership, concerning help to the District Secretaries and everything else?

MR. DAVIS: Yes. As a matter of fact, it could eliminate a lot of problems with membership. Here again, this is providing that the Districts will cooperate.

You have to have a strong Membership Chairman at the District level and when you receive an application, you have to act on it and stay on top of it.

For example, you can then give the guy a responsibility and say this is his responsibility and he will handle it on the District level and send it to the National Office instead of going around with a triple robin or a round robin.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Let me ask you, Otho, could this not be done just at the National level?

Could every application go to this girl and she now punch a button to see if the guy signing it is qualified?

MR. DAVIS: Well, it could be done that way.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, the way we have been doing it, it should be done away with.

MR. DAVIS: Maybe, on the District level, you do not want this guy.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Which guy?

MR. DAVIS: The guy whose application is being sent to National. However, the girl sitting at the computer does not know a thing about him. You know, he may be a homo or his buddy at the West Coast can be his partner.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, if he meets our qualifications --

MR. DAVIS: Well, he may still be an undesirable character and I believe somebody in the District knows it and, therefore, you don't want him.

If gives you a little better screening coming from the District.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Screening on the District has not done it at all.

Of course, if it meets our qualifications, we have to let him in.

Well, I really think this is the time for it, I don't know.

On the other hand, how do the rest of you feel about it?

Do you want to keep it at the District level?

... Cries of "yes" ...

MR. JORDAN: Well, I personally do not feel there is much of a check at the District level, at least from my own viewpoint.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, three individuals get to see it.

MR. JORDAN: Two.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The Director, the Secretary and the Membership Chairman.

MR. JORDAN: Mine is never signed by the Membership Chairman.

MR. BUNCH: I don't think he is required to sign for it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, if this comes to the girl, if everything is not done, then she just sends it back to the kid who did not get the thing signed.

MR. CHAMBERS: In other words, the District Director and the Secretary would be signing it but they would all have to get a final okay through this girl here?

In other words, final approval goes through this girl.

MR. BUNCH: They would get everything.

MR. DAVIS: You really have not eliminated everything. That is the whole tie-up right now -- getting all three individuals to sign it at once.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Eliminate everything but the sponsor and the guy applying.

MR. LEE: That would be hard to keep track of.

MR. JORDAN: And the print-out comes back to the District Secretary and then the District Secretary --

MR. DAVIS: You get a guy in District No. 9

applying for membership in District No. 1. Nobody in District No. 1 knows who he is. Also, maybe they don't want him -- maybe they know something about the individual.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, again, we cannot keep him out, at least if he meets our qualifications.

Really, we cannot refuse them.

MR. MELIN: The thing is, however, that the District people ordinarily know something more about whether these applicants are putting down things correctly and they do meet the requirements.

In relation to education, you perhaps would have to have more of a check on the individual by mail or by inquiry from the National Office, especially if you do not have the knowledge of the District people.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, we really have to know -- are we near to doing something like this?

MR. DAVIS: We are near but, on the other hand, when you start talking about checking those educational requirements, then you are talking about two girls.

You know, you have talked about Lafayette and you always speak of Mrs. Franklin. Well, it is not just one individual out there -- there have been more than that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: At the end of the year, what is our final expense in relation to Lafayette?

I have reference to at the end of the year. At one time you had told me thirty -- is it still that much, or less?

MR. FLENTJE: As I understand it, they furnish all of the paper in connection with this deal now.

is that correct?

MR. DAVIS: No, no, no.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: IBM?

MR. FLENTJE: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: When you say "all paper", do you mean stationery?

MR. FLENTJE: I am talking about print-outs, envelopes, dues cards.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: As I understand it, that is going to cost about \$1,000 a month.

MR. CHAMBERS: In addition to renting the machine?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No, no. Our total cost for the billing for an Association of our size, he told me was about \$1,000 a month.

MR. MALACREA: Including the machine?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Including the machine.

MR. LEE: Is that also the postage?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No.

MR. FLENTJE: Is this to purchase or rent?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Rent, with option to buy.

MR. DAVIS: It was fifty percent of your lease. Fifty percent of your rental is paid or can be applied to purchase.

MR. MALACREA: Well, they get outdated.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is why Cramer did not



buy this, because in three years they expect to have a different model. They have a No. 32 model now and in three years they expect to have whatever is the new model in that period of time.

The cost of it outright is about \$50,000.

MR. FLENTJE: You can lease it for, including basic papers less and does this include training?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. FLENTJE: It is a systems set-up?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. FLENTJE: Including service?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. FLENTJE: Maintenance?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

If there is a problem, the guy said they would come right out.

MR. DAVIS: They have twenty-four-hour maintenance service.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It sounds good, sounds like a salesman for IBM.

MR. CHAMBERS: Is this one of these machines in relation to which you have to have an air-conditioned room?

MR. DAVIS: 220 watts is all.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That was a question I asked. We will probably have air conditioning in the office, I don't know.

MR. WALL: How much is the office rent going to be?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We don't know yet. That is what Otho is looking into for us right now.

Then the salary would be the next biggest figure, even moreso than rent and the selling point on this is that a clerical salary person could run this machine, not a professional.

MR. DAVIS: I asked our Bookkeeping Department about it and our minimum salaries just for secretaries is \$135 a week.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think we also would want that person to answer the telephone and so it will be a little bit above that minimum, I would think.

MR. BUNCH: Do the Eagles have a computer?

MR. DAVIS: No, we do not have one.

MR. BUNCH: Is it possible to work out a deal?

MR. DAVIS: Well, I have talked to our Business Manager. It looks like right now, as he indicated, it might be a year away before they go to one.

I did mention this system to him and told him what we wanted to do.

I might add that right now, for example, our scouting report comes from Los Angeles. Our ticket information comes from Baltimore and we are trying to bring all of this thing into one system and before you start working on a game plan, they have to wait until the reports are flown in.

However, he would entertain the idea of a joint venture on it. It can be housed there at the

Stadium and both organizations use it.

However, again, already you are talking about time and there are going to be times when we want it and there are going to be times when they want it.

MR. MALACREA: Well, establishing priorities would be a little difficult.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That was the big thing that attracted me to this.

American College Health wanted us to go about \$12,000 in relation to their time when it was available from them. However, here we have our own information and program for approximately \$12,000 a year.

MR. FLENTJE: Has IBM given you any indication of whether they think this will save us any money?

MR. DAVIS: Oh, yes, that is their pitch.

MR. FLENTJE: How much?

MR. DAVIS: Well, nobody knows. It is hard to tell how much it is going to save.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, I believe you said, Otho, that we should not look forward to any savings during the first year?

MR. DAVIS: No.

MR. FLENTJE: Obviously.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, what about after that?

MR. DAVIS: I showed him the continuing education. I don't even have a date on this. It has been at least two years.

"Each certified athletic trainer shall

complete nine CEU's. A minimum of five CUE's must be obtained from the following sources", and then it lists those sources. The Convention, for example, is one of contact hour and it equals one-tenth of a CEU.

Now, the two Reps suggested that we switch to whole numbers -- that the chance of error is much greater when you are using tenths. It is easier for the individual to understand whole numbers because they are more accustomed to them rather than tenths.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The Orthopaedic Association, in relation to their system, uses whole numbers.

MR. FLENTJE: It would save space on the little computer also.

MR. DAVIS: We are talking about like nine during three years.

We just make that ninety because it is a whole lot easier to tell a guy he did not pass 30 than it is to say he is one over.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: In other words, you would need 90 contact hours.

MR. FLENTJE: Ninety units.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, men, what are we going to do about this?

Are we ready to really look into it?

MR. BUNCH: Do we have enough money that we could bump along with it for a year or two until we know what it is going to do for us?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

We have the money to do it with, yes, but the biggest problem in relation to the whole thing is going to be with the continuing education people.

Now, Frank told me it was approved but I am still not sure that it was approved.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: For continuing education?

MR. DAVIS: I know it is approved. However, I mean the actual structure of how these points are going to be made.

MR. LEE: I don't think that has been approved as yet.

MR. CHAMBERS: No, we have not approved that as yet.

MR. WALL: We have not approved the number actually required.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, the reason I know we approved it was because it was nine to one and I was the one. Therefore, that part of it was approved -- we are going to have continuing education -- but the system as to point evaluation has never been approved.

MR. WALL: However, what Otho was referring to there was actually approved.

Then last June, Frank brought to light some of the fallacies in the CEU's, some old fallacies contained in our methods, and we voted to send that back to the Subcommittee for revision and to be re-submitted at a future date.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Their answer to me was they had already had that article and did not see any necessity for it being revised and they wanted to stay with the program right here.

MR. WALL: However, we sent it back to them and they have not sent it back to us for our approval.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You know, I am the one who is really being accused of this because just about

everybody knows I voted against it.

I think, for example, that 90 hours is too much and that is the reason I voted the way I did. I told them that but I felt 90 hours was really too much.

However, the rest of the District didn't.

MR. DAVIS: The other thing that is disturbing to me is the great value you are putting on something that is brand new to your people.

They have heard about it, there have been articles in the Journal, we have circulated it in Pennsylvania. When I sent out the new Constitution, I had calls from people that supposedly knew that they should have known about continuing education but they don't -- they still don't know about it.

As a matter of fact, as I said, it was in the Journal but they still don't read it and the thing that would really upset me, I guess, more than anything, in getting the computer and getting it set up, is this figure would be so high that it could not be attained, could not be reached, especially at the early stage and you know, I know all of us are faced with the money crunch and people just cannot go to it at the local level.

For example, we have people in the Eastern that did not make it this year because of money, and so there are many, many people that usually are there. We had an attendance of 300 but still --

MR. MALACREA: A hundred were students.

MR. DAVIS: So I would first like to see the thing watered down to the bare minimum in order to get it off the ground and then you start adding to it and making it a little stronger.

MR. LEE: When do you think it was approved, Frank?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: When I was still on the Board and that is at least three years.

MR. DAVIS: That part was approved, there would be continuing education -- because this all came about after all the criticism I caught for reclassifying and dropping people, etc.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That it would be 90 hours.

That was to keep people certified that were no longer in the profession.

MR. MALACREA: My impression from the June Meeting was that Bud was taking this back to look at it -- re-evaluate the structure, quality and quantity. That is the impression I have.

MR. LEE: I don't remember us approving the thing.

MR. BUNCH: There is one thing I would like to know about.

In relation to moving the office, when could this be done or how soon?

MR. DAVIS: Well, all right.

If you were to approve the computer tonight, you could not get it for five to six months but during that period of time, it is a period during which you can start gathering information you want and then they, in turn, start teaching an individual how to run the machine at the office Downtown. They start transferring all of your information -- membership rosters, etc., onto the disk and then when the machine arrives it is ready to go into operation.

However, it is going to take that long. Usually they figure it takes six months to convert a system from manual into computer.

MR. BUNCH: Will we have to have two offices going at the same time?

MR. DAVIS: Well, no. Going at the same time?

I don't think so, or it would be a minimum at Lafayette.

MR. MALACREA: Are you just merely feeding one information system, getting ready and then you take it right out?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

MR. MALACREA: What kind of information can we store? What are the limitations?

MR. DAVIS: Anything you put in there, you program it.

MR. MALACREA: What kind of limitations do we have?

For example would it only involve so many items?

MR. DAVIS: Well, you can all use so much but according to this, whatever you put into it, it involves the capacity of the disk and then, as you fill up the disk --

MR. FLENTJE: Then you purchase another one.

MR. CHAMBERS: How often will you have to purchase a disk?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He told me that the figure, at 4,200 members, would double in four or five years. He said it would a one, two or three hundred dollar fee, depending on the size we purchased. That is a fee and we do not get that back or that does not go for anything.



MR. DAVIS: It is not only the computer we are going to have to invest in. When you make an office move, you are also going to have to invest in a mimeograph machine, a typewriter, etc.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: And, sooner or later, a Xerox machine.

MR. DAVIS: You cannot run an organization off of a Xerox machine.

There is always an ad in the paper or something indicating somebody going out of business and having some of these things for sale.

For example, with regard to Pitney Bowes, you can also lease that but you are going to have to get a paper folder, envelope stuffer and the whole bit. There are many, many systems or ways you can eliminate part of this by having them build into the mechanism that you have.

For example, in relation to membership cards, you can open your machine up and set that reel in and you hit the button and it runs off Bill Flentje, let's say and his address and when he pays his dues, it will automatically print-out a membership card and then you pull that piece of paper off and it is sealed and mailed -- you never touch it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, my guess is that this is going to cost us in the vicinity of \$30,000 a year.

MR. DAVIS: Probably.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is being realistic.

MR. FLENTJE: About what it costs us now.

MR. MALACREA: Didn't you say it was costing us \$50,000?

MR. DAVIS: Right now?

Well, I will give you an example.

MR. BUNCH: What was the figure last year?

MR. DAVIS: Last year's figure, for example, in relation to office expense, was \$14,731 but part of this office expense is broken down into other segments of committees, anywhere that it can go. It is how it is channeled.

MR. BUNCH: For example, how much do you pay Mrs. Franklin?

MR. DAVIS: We pay Lafayette Mailing.

MR. BUNCH: How much do you pay? Do you just send them one check a month?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

MR. BUNCH: And how much is each check for?

MR. DAVIS: Well, here again the invoice is broken down. The report is broken down by committees.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Let me say that there is a mailing service near me and they have in System No. 32 and they do a similar thing for associations like Mrs. Franklin does for us -- sends out the bills, collects the money, all that type of thing, and they are handling a number of associations and they don't think that 8500 or 10,000 is any strain on the machine at all.

However, we have to look at a girl; we have to look at her disability insurance, her retirement, her medical insurance, stationery -- as a matter of fact, we have to look at the whole thing -- and, on that basis, I just cannot see it being less than \$30,000 a year.

I hope I am not too far off on that figure.

Do you think I am, Otho?

MR. DAVIS: Well, that is going to be a ball park figure.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We also have to allow for substitute help when this girl is off on vacation.

MR. DAVIS: She takes her vacation at Christmas.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, there are things like that for us to think about and, of course, there is a big decision involved here.

There is also the factor of rent -- you have to consider rent.

MR. SANDIFER: I think we are all asking the same thing -- what is it going to cost?

Now, Otho, would it be too much to ask you to work up a cost sheet, send it out like you do the others, and we just vote on it that way?

I think that is the big thing we are all asking -- what is it going to cost us?

MR. BUNCH: I think it can be tabled until the June meeting, until you can work up a figure on exactly what you think it is going to cost and compare it with the figures.

MR. SANDIFER: We also have to remember the other advantages it is going to give us that are not a figure advantage.

MR. DAVIS: Well, I think you, first of all, have to look at it on the basis that there is going to be a great initial cost and then you also have to look at it from the basis of what it will do in years to come.

Also, if you don't do it now, it is going to

be so much harder when your membership increases.

MR. WHITE: Would it not, at this point, be worthwhile considering the possibilities of sharing it with the club because I do not believe that we are going to need a girl for eight hours a day and yet some days we are going to need three girls at eight hours a day, you know?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There are times when Mrs. Franklin bills us for four and five girls a day.

MR. WHITE: And there are times, I bet, when we don't get billed for more than two or three hours a day.

Now, with just a one-person office, if you are sharing the machine with another company, you divide all of those costs.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Our big item to us is that this machine is going to be used probably in December for billing.

MR. DAVIS: You take, for example, December of 1975, for the secretary -- list changes and dues, there were 458 hours charged. That is a lot of hours at \$3 an hour.

MR. CHAMBERS: How much per hour?

MR. DAVIS: \$3 an hour.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: For 458 hours?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

MR. FLENTJE: Well, here is one thing that this is going to do -- in relation to list and address changes, you enter them just once and it is all done.

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

MR. CHAMBERS: I am sure there is time involved when you will have a change like that with secretarial help.

MR. DAVIS: You can do it on this thing at one time. Everything is there and whatever time it takes to hit a key is the time you use. You find where it was, make the change. However, on the basis of doing it manually, you have to pull the stencil out, check it, check another folder to make sure it is there, if it is or isn't correct, and then you put it on the stencil and retype it, put it back in the drawer.

MR. CHAMBERS: Would we be able to use this, for example, to label our Journals?

MR. DAVIS: Well, you know, you run the labels. There is another machine that you run that through to take the label off and put it on the Journal or onto an envelope, or you can buy the envelopes and these big reams of paper and they are stuck on there and they come through and they are addressed. Then you pull that right off and you stuff it manually.

MR. BUNCH: What is the deal in relation to the Journal?

Does she have an office there where she puts out the Journal herself? Is that rented?

Would it not be worthwhile to add another girl and put the computer down at Greenville, for example?

MR. DAVIS: Well, that would be a thought.

MR. BUNCH: I would suggest that because it is so much cheaper to operate down there.

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

MR. WHITE: Well, if all of this is true, how come Mrs. Franklin hasn't gone to a computer?

MR. DAVIS: I don't know but I just cannot imagine. I don't know.

MR. WHITE: Somebody ought to ask her. Maybe our method should be to put a computer in her office.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, just in general, things have been rather inefficient coming out of that office. This has been in the last year or so.

MR. WHITE: Less than previously?

MR. CHAMBERS: She has other accounts besides ours.

MR. WHITE: We are just a small percentage of her operation.

MR. DAVIS: It is not her's anyway. She just works there mainly to handle our accounts. It is her sister's business, Lafayette Mailing is.

MR. CHAMBERS: I think that Herman has a valid suggestion there.

Perhaps you can check into it.

MR. BUNCH: Maybe they could include another line on the telephone -- they could answer it. To me it would be just like adding another desk and another girl.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I am not too hep with the job they are doing there.

MR. DAVIS: I think you have reference to Rod. Well, I talked to Rod about it at this time and he took the entire blame and said he just got behind.

MR. MALACREA: How about with certification?

We already have a half-time secretary there. Perhaps you can put her on full-time.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Lindsay is looking to get out. He is going to resign in a year or so.

MR. CHAMBERS: He wants to do it in ten years.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: And that will be a year from June.

MR. BUNCH: What about Penn State with their computer?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Getting computer time from colleges and universities is a very hard thing.

MR. DAVIS: Yes, it is very hard. They have difficulty now getting time, for example, Nairs.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Also, when you are not a part of the organization, you generally end up way down on the list somewhere.

Well, men, we have to make some decision. I guess we are listening to you, Otho, as to what to do.

MR. DAVIS: Well, we have to find out about rental, salary and the like.

MR. WHITE: Also, we have been talking about kind of checking into all of these other machines, like a folding machine, a mailing machine and the like.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Perhaps for the June meeting you could kind of give us a cost analysis as to what we have spent during the last three years in getting this job done and what you think it will cost us if you need us to take it over and buy a machine or go into Greenville.

That is another factor. Perhaps it can be in Philadelphia. However, see what you think.

MR. SANDIFER: I don't think anybody is

going to argue about the value.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Does somebody want to make a motion that Otho do this?

It is made by No. 8 and seconded by No. 5.

MR. LEE: What is this under?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: New Business -- Cost Analysis of the Lafayette Mailing Service and Projected Costs.

Now, all in favor of the motion to have Otho do a cost analysis of the Lafayette Mailing Service over the last three years and a projected cost analysis using the IBM computer in relation to Greenville, Philadelphia or any other ideas that he might come up with, say aye; any opposed?

This is unanimously carried.

This then will be reported to us in June.

Now, we are still at this thing with the continuing education people. They wanted to postpone it indefinitely.

MR. BUNCH: I will come back and make a motion we table items Nos. 9 and 10 until June.

MR. WHITE: That does not leave us in a problem?

They don't have to have it now?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Just that Bud would like to stop getting all the continuing education things sent to him by a formal notice being sent out.

MR. BUNCH: Say "table for a year".

MR. DAVIS: All it is is that a guy sends in



information that he attends a course, goes to a meeting, and he writes a letter and says "please enter this in my continuing education".

Now, when I get them, I usually send them to Lafayette and ask that they be placed in the permanent file and that is all there is to it. It is no big thing.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I will tell Bud to do the same thing then. I don't think we need a motion for that.

MR. FLENTJE: For what?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: For Bud to send it to Lafayette.

There is still a recommendation we approve that indefinite postponement of a starting date. We have a motion to table by Herman. This is to table No. 9. Do you want to table both of them?

MR. FLENTJE: Yes.

MR. BUNCH: I think so.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think we can afford \$100 for a survey.

MR. FLENTJE: What is that?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That tells us where our members are working.

MR. FLENTJE: Won't a computer do that?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, the computer is a year away. He can do it for a hundred dollars right now.

MR. DAVIS: He has student help out there that is going to do it right away.

MR. MALACREA: I would second the tabling of No. 9.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We have before us the motion to table No. 9. All in favor; any opposed? It is unanimously carried and tabled.

Now, it is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the reactivation of the membership status survey and provide Phil with adequate funding, approximately \$100.

MR. MALACREA: I would so move.

MR. JORDAN: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Let me say that the reason I would like to see that is that this will give us a pretty current update on what to hand the IBM people and say to them -- "look, this is what we want to know every year."

MR. DAVIS: One of the comments in discussion the other day was we wanted to know what we wanted to do in relation to this. I said one of the things we wanted to do was to develop a form first and they are in complete agreement that this is the way it should be done -- that the form should be developed before you start searching the machine or looking at the machine.

MR. BUNCH: If we are hoping to make some kind of decision on that computer in June, with this report, then we should have somebody looking in on continuing education. If we are concerned about the 90 hours, 90 units or whatever we are concerned about, we had better have the people who validated it or suggested it to us rethink it too.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think they want some direction from the Board of Directors.

MR. LEE: Then why don't we send directions that we suspect this is too high to start with.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We want less hours.

MR. DAVIS: Well, this is my feeling. You may have a different feeling.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I am not arguing with you, Otho. That is why I voted against it. I thought the hours were too high.

MR. WHITE: We would hate to send that back if we are going to put the computer in. If we vote to have it in, then we have to have this ready to go.

MR. DAVIS: I would certainly hate to see everything done over on membership.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I would like to see it cut in half. Sixty- or forty-five would be more measurable than ninety.

MR. MALACREA: I think you would have to make it easy enough so that everybody could qualify. I think that the guy who has a one-man operation and cannot get to all the things, doesn't have students to supervise, is one category but, by the same token, you have to make it easy enough for us to have more than one and more than a one-man staff and, of course, as you know, funds are limited and they are not going to be able to send everybody to the National or the Eastern or those kinds of things and if you don't have an approved program, you will not have the type of staff that is going to be writing articles.

MR. DAVIS: The first thing the Administrator is going to do is to come back and say, "well, I did not do away with your staff."

PRESIDENT GEORGE: If they cannot be certified, we cannot have them.

All right, forty-five hours?

MR. WHITE: We don't know.

Perhaps it can be sent back to them and we tell them we are afraid this is too high to start with and we don't want to lose half of our membership in the first three years.

MR. WALL: Let me ask a question. In June we sent it to them stating that this was submitted back for further further study in relation to the reeducation as to the number of hours, is that not correct?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, we did that already.

MR. WALL: Have they sent it back to us?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They do not have a functioning committee.

MR. FLENTJE: Who is going to do it?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Bud has to rename someone to this Committee.

MR. FLENTJE: It was already opened for suggestions and nobody said anything.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They have the direction. Perhaps you can redirect them.

Would you state how we direct them and we will redirect them. What did we say, Tom?

MR. WALL: I don't have the exact wording but, in essence, it was sent back to the Committee for study on reduction of the number of CEU's required and

we made a motion to postpone the starting date of the CE until no sooner than January 1, 1978.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is the date I thought we had -- study to reduce the number of CEU's required.

MR. DAVIS: Starting no sooner than January, 1978.

MR. WALL: No sooner than January, 1978.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There is one more thing then and then we can break for dinner.

It is recommended that we, the Board, approve the short-term courses and the procedure for obtaining the short-term course approvals.

I think the first two sentences in this are the very most important and that is -- the purpose of the short-term course should be for professional advancement of members of the athletic training profession and other professionals involved in the medical care of athletes.

The objectives of the short-term course No. 2 should be directed toward the improvement of specific competencies and skills and contribute to the growth of knowledge of individuals actively engaged in athletic training.

Now, what they are saying is that they are no longer going to approve short-term courses for students in a non-athletic trainer category -- no more the coaches and things like that -- now they are going to

do short courses similar to the ones that are going to be in Dearborn this year on Therapeutic Exercise and similar to the one on the Physiology of Exercise -- that type of course.

That is what we told them to do, in essence.

I would like a motion to approve that but if anybody wants more on it, we will do it.

MR. FLENTJE: I would move approval.

MR. CHAMBERS: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: How about some discussion on this?

MR. BIRDWELL: How does this affect people like these Cramer workshops?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It eliminates them from being approved by NATA -- there is no way to police it.

MR. BIRDWELL: I know that but I am sure that if we went to Cramer with the policing policy that they would work with us. I know that I have talked to them because I worked in the one down at LeMoine University last summer and everybody there was certified.

However, what gets me is that here are some people back when we were struggling, were putting on all the things, and now all of a sudden we are too big for them anymore and we are going to shut them off without a chance to realign these things in a manner that would meet our approval.

MR. BUNCH: One thing is that we do not have students any longer and so if we sponsor high school students, why should not we have them in the membership?

MR. FLENTJE: We have already effectively eliminated the people that they are aiming their program at. We did that last year -- eliminating student trainers.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: For me it was hard too, because I feel very close with you, not so much with the rest of Cramer's, but I think I understand our reasoning.

We have come to the point, for example, where we have to educate our own -- the people who are trainers rather than students -- but we have gone past that stage -- we have gone past the stage of the first-aider.

I don't see the first aider, for example, serving really much of a professional purpose.

MR. BIRDWELL: It is not first-aiders -- I am just talking about all the money we put into the workshops. They have done a lot for us.

I got the feeling that most things are not money-makers.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Some are and some are not.

I think 50 is the break-even point, or 44, but I have been involved with some that have gone as high as 70 -- not a big money-maker, no, but I think we trainers that have supported that company have likewise supported it from the financial angle.

MR. BIRDWELL: Well, this is just my own opinion and I just think you have to dance a little with the one that brought you. I would just hate to snuff them out.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We have already done that,

Cash. We have done it.

It would take a major change in our thinking to bring them back or get them to help us now toward the certified trainer and the Associate member -- to try to improve the education that way -- something similar to what Schering is doing.

MR. MALACREA: Does this mean the enrollees would be limited only to athletic trainers and certified trainers?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay, I see that it says "team physician and other professionals involved in the medical care of the athlete". Well, that could be doctors, nurses, therapists, exercise physiologists etc.

I don't know, this would not be designed for the coach at all.

MR. MALACREA: I believe we talked about that before -- not for coaches.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is right.

MR. MALACREA: However, now it says "coaches".

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It says that coaches may be an instructor. We may, for example, have one weight coach come in. I thought, for example, that guy did a nice job at Eastern. I learned some things from him.

Well, we have it in front of us -- we have a motion by 5 and a second by 8. Do you want to discuss it some more?

MR. LEE: If a coach came to the meeting, we could not keep him out.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We would not keep him out.



MR. MALACREA: How about the course at Buzzard's Bay as an example, would that qualify?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No, because that is basically for the person who is trying to learn how to be a trainer. That would not qualify.

MR. BIRDWELL: Unless they upgraded their program quite a bit and I think they have the staff to do it but right now they are aiming at the physical educator rather than learning something about athletic training.

It is aimed directly at college graduates.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes. It is for us to get our continuing education units.

MR. LEE: For example, at that meeting in Waco, you may have had a couple of these to get some more hours.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We talked about that before.

We probably would expect a short-term course to be run at every district meeting but a fairly structured one or something similar to what this therapeutic exercise one that is being put on at National would be and also the exercise physiology one, rather than just, for example, a doctor getting up there and giving a lecture. That part of it would not be approved.

Is there anything else on it?

Do you want to vote?

All in favor. Any opposition?

The vote is nine-zero, with one abstention.

Now, do you, Bill, want to go over your letter anymore?

MR. FLENTJE: I believe it is already taken care of, at least as best as I can tell.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I am sure you all saw my letters back and forth to Bud -- how I thought he was wrong in stating we were not supporting him.

We are going to come back in connection with the Public Relations Committee.

Now, also, you have here some appeal proceedings.

Now, when the Education Committee turns down a school, HEW said they have to have some method of appeal. They have in their book as to how the appeal should be gotten up to them again.

Now, we have to have it come to the Board.

Please read what it says. This goes in with the Education Committee Report -- into their book -- the Guidelines for development and implementation of a program.

MR. LEE: I believe it is already in there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It is page 27 and perhaps you should read it.

In the event of an unfavorable decision by the Professional Education Committee regarding program approval, the Chairperson of the Professional Education Committee will advise the college or university personnel.

The institution may, within a three-month period, submit an appeal in writing, including the supporting information and request for reconsideration of the proposed program.

After receipt of all of the materials submitted for reconsideration, the Professional Education Committee will forward the appeal to the NATA Board of

Directors for final action at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

Now, this particular page should be 27-A and here is what Otho and I talked over, as to what the appeal should be.

First, the appeal, you understand, is going to be submitted to the Professional Education Committee for reconsideration. Any and all deficiencies should be responded to.

If the Professional Education Committee again rejects the proposed program, the appeal will be forwarded to the Board of Directors, 60 days prior to the next scheduled Board Meeting.

On that basis, we will have plenty of time to study something like that.

Now, here is the appeal procedure:

"To be considered, and appeal must be submitted to the Board of Directors 60 days before the next scheduled Board Meeting. The Program Director of the school that was turned down must be present at the Board Meeting (at his own expense) to present the appeal. The Program Director will have fifteen minutes to present his appeal to the Board of Directors. The Chairman of the Professional Education Committee will have fifteen minutes to explain the Committee's actions. The Board of Directors may question both for fifteen minutes.

"The Department Chairman and the Program Director and the Chairman of the Professional Education Committee will be notified in writing regarding the Board of Directors decision."

Now, do you see anything wrong with that, good or bad?

Do you think we should give more than 15 minutes?

That is 15 minutes each. The Education Committee is already going to have spent hours on that.

MR. MELIN: It would be a minimum -- you can give more.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I meant the maximum, Bruce, and I will be honest.

MR. MELIN: However, you don't have to give more but you can.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Will anybody make a motion to approve that?

MR. BUNCH: I would so move.

MR. FLENTJE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All in favor. Any opposition? It is unanimously carried, ten-zero.

It is now twenty-five minutes to nine and I think this would be a good point at which to break for dinner. Try to be back here by nine-thirty.

... Whereupon, at 8:35 o'clock p.m., the meeting recessed for dinner to reconvene at 9:30 o'clock p.m. ...

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## SATURDAY EVENING SESSION

January 30, 1977

The meeting of the Board of Directors was reconvened at nine-fifty o'clock p.m., President George presiding.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Tell us about the PR man, Bob.

MR. WHITE: A very capable man.

MR. CHAMBERS: Are we on public relations now?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. WHITE: He is a good friend with the public relations guy from Boston and so he is able to establish some rapport and carry-over from what has happened in Boston and he does a fantastic job for us. He has good rapport with the local media.

His name is Bill Krefeildt.

Also, with regard to salary, whatever they paid last year, this is what we are paying him this year.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I don't believe we need any approval for that. We did that in June and so this is just for information.

MR. WHITE: That is it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The Career Information And Services Committee.

Fred has asked for \$525 as a budget request simply because the printing of the brochure, which was

printed at the same place last year, cost more to print this year and the cost of mailing and everything else has also gone up. He thinks \$525 will carry him.

He is at Dartmouth.

He is not asking to add anything. All he is looking for is to pay for what he has printed.

MR. FLENTJE: I would move we grant the request.

MR. JORDAN: Second the motion.

MR. BIRDWELL: Where do his brochures go?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, they are printed in Indiana and they go to any trainer who is giving a talk, who requests them -- any NATA member who requests them.

Also, when the Education Committee used to run their little things, a number of them went to them -- to the Cramer people.

MR. WHITE: The high school guidance counsellors, probably get most of them.

MR. WALL: You know, they come in very handy for answering mail.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Also, they are sent to every Director.

MR. BIRDWELL: Hasn't he seen the overlap then?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Definitely.

MR. BIRDWELL: I was just making that point.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: This should just have gone to basically Athletic Directors and Superintendents.

MR. BIRDWELL: Did you feel the difference in the paper there?

To my way of thinking, they are more expensive. However, I was just making a point that both brochures go to the same place again.

MR. DAVIS: That is a good point, a very good point and a very valid one.

Another thing about Placement is that Placement really should fall back on the approved school programs. They are the guys that ought to be hustling jobs.

We are always talking about the fact we are trying to get everything through the approved school.

MR. WHITE: This should have someplace where the Athletic Director is looking for somebody to hire, so that he can go to our Placement Bureau and he is going to get some applications.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Anything else?

MR. DAVIS: At the same time we are turning down a lot of guys who cannot get jobs.

MR. BIRDWELL: What I said is he made the statement our supporting the home people. I said that he should just send job openings to only our approved curriculum. That will limit the mailing and get some cut-back on the \$5,000, especially if we are going to support our own program.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, I think we have to send this to any members requesting it.

MR. BIRDWELL: Yes, if they request it.

MR. FLENTJE: Do we have some of these pamphlets sent to us?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. WHITE: If you make a request, you can have as many as you want.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They are sure nice to have when you write a letter.

MR. FLENTJE: The ones I have are a year or so old.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The new ones look very nice.

Okay there is a motion from District 5, seconded by District 1 approving a budget request of \$525. Is there further discussion?

All in favor? Is there anybody opposed?  
Unanimously carried.

Next is the Research and Injury Committee.

We need a motion to accept Ted's resignation.

MR. CHAMBERS: I would so move.

MR. BIRDWELL: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All in favor? Any opposed?  
Carried.

MR. FLENTJE: Who is going to replace him or is this going to be open for a while?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: John Powell is now at Penn State working with NAIRS just about full-time. He is a NAIRS Coordinator and we thought because of the position he has that he kind of fits into the Research and Injury aspect better than anybody else we could think of.

MR. FLENTJE: I was just curious.



PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay. It saves us some money, I think, in relation to some of these meetings where we can have a representative athletic trainer and John is willing to do it and I think he will be doing a pretty good job with it.

I need a motion with regard to accepting Powell.

MR. WHITE: I would like to make the motion in relation to John because he is from our District. He started out as a high school trainer.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, motion by No. 4, seconded by No. 6.

All in favor? Any opposed? It is unanimously carried.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The next item is the American Academy of Pediatrics. Is there anything in relation to that?

MR. MALACREA: At the last meeting they asked us to get a Committee together and go over the booklet that the Academy would like to produce for its members with Gary Delforge.

The consensus of opinion was that the booklet was in need of a great deal of editorial work and in need of a great deal of revision. We thought it was superficial in many areas and needed a lot of revision. I have, I think, seven or eight pages of ideas in relation to my comments that were sent to Dr. McClow, and I have not heard anything from him yet.

I just talked with Dr. Thornton because the winter meeting of the Committee kept being postponed and postponed and I finally found out the reason and that was because the American Academy was really short of funds. However, they just had a new appropriation for this fiscal year and I was assured that the Committee will still function and function as well as it did before.

They are therefore now looking for a meeting in July.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Who funds it?

MR. MALACREA: The American Academy, from dues. I don't think we have seen the last of that little booklet yet. I think it is going to have to be done over a little bit.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, we will accept the report.

Is there a motion?

MR. FLENTJE: I would so move.

MR. CHAMBERS: Second.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All in favor? Any opposed? Unanimously carried.

We next come to the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

The report is in your material.

MR. DAVIS: It is in both places. They have a loose piece of paper out on the table.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He says there is little to report.

MR. DAVIS: The National Convention is in March, at Seattle.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There is no request for Board action.

MR. FLENTJE: I would move acceptance of the report.

MR. WHITE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: A motion by No. 5, seconded by No. 10.

All in favor? Any opposed? Unanimously carried.

Next is the American College of Sports Medicine.

There is really no report.

We are going to ask them for a position paper or statement on supporting our request for licensure, similar to what we did from the Athletic Directors.

MR. DAVIS: With regard to American College Health, there is no report in there and will not be until their mid-year meeting or their annual meeting, which would, I believe, be in April.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Next is the American College of Sports Medicine.

Did anybody make a motion to accept that?

MR. JORDAN: I would so move.

MR. LEE: Second.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Moved by No. 1 and seconded by No. 7.

All in favor. Is there any opposition?

Unanimously carried.

Here Gary wants a little direction.

I am going to write him a letter, going to send copies of the one I wrote to other people and what we want put into it.

Next we come to the American Corrective Therapy Association.

Now, in reading through this, I kind of get the feeling that they are going to make a bid for us to kind of align some of our clinical programs, our approved programs, I should say, with their programs.

They did this a few years ago. We turned them down and my guess is we are going to do the same thing but then that is in the future.

Did you kind of read that into their report?

MR. FLENTJE: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there a motion to accept the report?

MR. SANDIFER: I would so move.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Moved by No. 10, seconded by No. 5.

All in favor? Is there opposition?

Carried unanimously.

MR. DAVIS: Are you going to send somebody or will we discuss that later?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Let's discuss that now.

Do we want to send our liaison representative to the American Corrective Therapy Association Meeting? That will be held from July 9th through the 15th.

MR. WHITE: Is Jeff Farr in?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Jeff has been our representative for the last couple of years.

What we did prior to that, however, was send someone close to the area, as close as we could.

This will not be too far. He is from Oklahoma. Does anyone know of anybody any closer?

MR. DAVIS: Joe Giek.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: How about waiting and holding off on this and we may send someone closer in the area.

MR. MALACREA: I would like to ask a question.

Does anybody know the difference between the PT and CP Didactic Program?

MR. LEE: I do.

MR. MALACREA: Is there much difference between them?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: One is much less demanding.

MR. FLENTJE: Why are they trying to say that our programs come nearer the corrective therapists than the physical therapists and therefore, we should rely on them?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, the corrective therapists, in general, are struggling as a profession -- not only to become accepted but for job positions even moreso than are the others, much more so.

MR. WHITE: Where do they have their schools?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think there are four or six schools approved, if there are that many. I know there is one in Boston.

MR. DAVIS: They are predominantly in Veteran's Hospitals.

MR. SANDIFER: That is where they got their origin -- it was during the war in relation to Veteran's Hospitals.

MR. DAVIS: Physical education and then they branched into adaptive.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They have been trying to align with us, I think, to get on our bandwagon and I don't think we are very amenable to it.

Okay, next is the American Physical Therapy Association, the APTA.

Well, as you know, their dues went up to \$75 and I learned something there.

The way you get dues to go up from \$50 to \$75 is to put a motion in that dues go up to \$100 and everybody goes crazy and so you settle for \$75 and it passes without a whimper. What a railroad. I can tell you that was railroaded right through.

MR. SANDIFER: They also eliminated one membership classification and jacked all of those up.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

APTA had a large membership classification which was called "inactive". This was essentially for women getting married and who were not working as therapists but wanted to remain a member of the Association.

That class is no longer in existence. She has to pay full dues to be a member of the Association or drop out, the reason for this being that a lot of people were cheating with regard to it -- were working and also in the inactive class and essentially getting all the benefits of the Association.

MR. LEE: How are they reinstated, Frank?

MR. WHITE: You pay your dues.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You pay the higher dues rate the next time around.

MR. LEE: Is it still that same way -- if you drop out for five years and you start up practicing again -- you just naturally quit and then you wanted to start up your practice again after five years, that you would then send in your dues again?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Just for that one year that you join.

There are no back dues.

MR. FLENTJE: You just maintain your license.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Let's get a motion.

As you know, I thanked both Bobby Gunn and Phil Donnelley for this because the biggest thing that APTA did at their Congress was that they no longer collaborate with the AMA for the approval of their curriculum.

This is now in court, something that HEW and everybody is trying to decide. Now, the issue is not settled but that is what APTA is doing.

Basically, there are some programs in APTA that are up for revision this year that they cannot act on because it still says the AMA has to go along with their approval. However, I will tell you this, that we did the right thing in not going with them. We really did.

We were all right, thanks to Bobby and Otho and Phil, who had a lot to do with it and also the President of the APTA. He advised us strongly to stay away. Now, I thought he was out of his mind but he really wasn't.

MR. FLENTJE: I would move acceptance of the

report.

MR. LEE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there further discussion?

All in favor? Any opposed? Unanimously carried.

Next is the Joint Commission on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

Now, they also met with us and also met in January. Otho was there. Do you have anything you would like to say?

MR. DAVIS: The biggest thing accomplished in January was the fact that they did vote the NAIA in as a full member and so we as the trainers that were there felt very good about this and we got our cause through.

We discussed at that meeting, something we are going to discuss later in here, the release form for athletes to professional teams.

I made them aware of the All-Star Game Ruling, that letter that we have, wherein the NCAA does not feel it is necessary to have a trainer.

The NCAA representative at that meeting, Dennis Pope, said he was not aware of it and he will be receiving a copy of the letter to be later further discussed.

That is about the extent of it.

Hopefully, the Joint Commission will pick up a little more as far as a contact meeting of the organization is concerned, more in-depth material from each organization.



PRESIDENT GEORGE: May I have a motion to accept the report?

MR. JORDAN: I would so move.

MR. WHITE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Discussion?

All in favor? Any opposed? Unanimously carried.

The next is National Association for Girls and Women in Sports, GWS.

Now, there are a number of women within our Association who are concerned about some of the things that GWS is doing regarding what is called the Athletic Training Council. Now, we have discussed that at the last meeting.

Gordon Jepson, who is a member of AFRA, on their staff, told me he was going to get together some members of NASPE, members of GWS and myself -- bring us down to Washington and talk this problem over.

Gordon is on the side of NATA, very much so, along with Wally Swank, and they don't want to see a splitting of the two.

We are not going to get involved in a fight again between GWS and NASPE, which are really sex oriented and are really having their problems among each other.

All we are saying is that there should be no difference -- a certified trainer should be able to handle men as well as women's sports and we don't want to see them using us as a pawn in their particular fight.

Right now I see no problems. They have decided not to use the pamphlet that Holle Wilson wrote

up and did so much on. They are going to use the NATA brochure.

In other words, a person that wants that, he has to write to NATA for information.

Now, are there any questions? Any discussion?

May I have a motion to accept the report?

MR. FLENTJE: I would so move.

MR. SANDIFER: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All in favor? Any opposed? It is unanimously carried.

The next is the NAIA.

There is nothing for Board action other than also a letter here.

MR. DAVIS: Just his report.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Can I have a motion to approve that?

MR. BIRDWELL: I would so move.

MR. WHITE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All in favor? Any opposed? Unanimously carried.

Next is the NCAA Football Rules Committee.

Now, Wes, do you want to get started on that?

Your letter is in here.

MR. JORDAN: I have nothing.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Didn't you have something in relation to hip pads?

MR. JORDAN: That was later on.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is where it is going to go -- do it now.

MR. JORDAN: The only question I have was that a year ago the NCAA made mandatory the wearing of hip and thigh pads.

I wrote a letter to Dave Nelson, the Executive Secretary of the NCAA Rules Committee, last spring, asking for a clarification on this -- what constitutes hip pads -- foam rubber, foam, a combined roll?

His letter back to me was that anything shy of regulation hip pads would be illegal and he would inform the officials of such.

Then in October we had a letter from the ECAC Office saying that any type of padding on the hips constituted hip padding and they could not dictate to the schools what type of hip pads had to be worn.

The only point I am making is either make a rule and enforce it or let's take it off the books.

MR. DAVIS: The real concern, what is that?

MR. JORDAN: I am fighting with my kids to wear them but my kids are looking at everybody else and saying "go to hell, nobody else is wearing them".

MR. DAVIS: All your coach has to do, if he is a strong enough guy, is say "hey, you wear your hip pads". When you lose a guy it's his problem.

MR. JORDAN: However, you are not getting that

backing and I just think that this rule is a farce.

MR. DAVIS: I would not worry about it then.

MR. SANDIFER: If it is a farce to the extent that if you want to have an official say they put a dollar sign on foam rubber, that is right.

MR. DAVIS: That is exactly right, and this is the whole comment around the country, that these officials say, for example, if you tell me a band aid is sufficient to be a hip pad, then he is wearing a hip pad.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is what the official told me. He said, "you are the trainer and if you feel that is a hip pad, then that is a hip pad".

MR. WHITE: Would he say the same thing for a helmet?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There is a rule that the helmet must be NOCSAE approved.

MR. DAVIS: The way to get around the thing is for the Rules Committee to come out with a list of approved hip pads.

MR. WHITE: How about shoulder pads?

MR. DAVIS: There is no rule there.

MR. WHITE: They would not let them get away with postage stamps on the shoulders though.

MR. DAVIS: I would not worry about it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You can send a kid out with LaCrosse pads or something like that and nobody would say anything.

MR. MALACREA: We had a kicker come off the field last year not wearing knee pads.

MR. DAVIS: If a coach isn't strong enough, he is going to suffer in the long run.

MR. JORDAN: The thing that makes it difficult is if you try to enforce this with the kids, it does not give you much to stand on.

I have been hot as hell about this in the past but I did not have a leg to stand on this fall, particularly without a lot of backing from the football staff.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What would you like for us to do?

MR. DAVIS: It has already gone to Washington.

MR. JORDAN: Either enforce the rule as they wrote it last year or wipe it off the books and say, you know, buy whatever you want.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Maybe it sometimes takes a few years for these things.

For example, the first year they did not enforce mouth pieces the way they do now and at some conferences they still don't, I think.

MR. WALL: Also, a lot of that involves interpretation by the Rules Committee to different conferences.

MR. JORDAN: I knew this was going to happen and that's why I wrote a letter to Nelson complaining and his letter back to me was very, very explicit -- anything shy of regulation hip pads will be illegal and he will inform the officials of such.

I got a letter here with me, dated something like May 10th, last spring and they completely reversed that in October.

MR. MALACREA: This happened to us in our

first game. We went to Cornell to play and I called the trainer up and said what are you going to do with the hip pads and he said "we are making everyone of our kids wear full hip pads."

I said, "will you push it if we don't have hip pads on", and he said "not from the sideline", because the interpretation of the officials was as Otho stated.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, what should we as an Association do?

MR. DAVIS: It has been done -- refer it directly to the Rules Committee.

We have done that and we don't have his report back.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay, while we are at it, how about the face mask -- is the face mask part of the helmet or two separate pieces of equipment?

MR. WALL: I got a note back from Warren on this right before I left and the interpretation said that the Rules Committee stated that once the face mask is attached to the helmet it is all one piece of equipment.

This also comes back to the interpretation from the Rules Committee in relation to the different conferences.

For example, at our conferences it was interpreted as two pieces of equipment because a good friend of mine, who was a SECO official, said "you can still face block because it is two pieces of equipment".

MR. DAVIS: However, NOCSAE considers it one.

MR. WALL: And the Rules Committee considers it one.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay, that is it then.

MR. WALL: We hope there will be a clarification from the Rules Committee.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The next item is the National Federation of State High School Associations.

MR. JORDAN: Is there anything to accept under the NCAA Rules Committee or "no report"?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We are waiting for the report from Washington to see what he has to say about hip pads. It has been brought to them, has it not?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there anything on the National Federation of State High School Associations?

MR. DAVIS: Nothing at all.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Federation of State High Schools, no report.

The next is the National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment.

As you know, Tom Wallers resigned as our official representative to NOCSAE. We accepted that at the last meeting, I think, and now we would like to -- well, Bob White is right there at Wayne State, where they have one of the NOCSAE spring meetings.

We would like to have Bob represent us as the liaison representative to NOCSAE.

May I have such a motion?

MR. JORDAN: I would so move.

MR. MALACREA: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All in favor? Any opposition?

Unanimously carried.

Thank you, Tom, for what you did for us this year when you got stuck.

MR. WALL: You're welcome. I had to go to Miami anyway.

Now, there is something you might all be interested in. NOCSAE has put out a brochure. I have more of them here. It just kind of tells what NOCSAE is and answers some of the questions floating around the country -- about just what it is, what its purpose is and so on.

A lot of people think NOCSAE is the one making the rules. That has to be wrong because they are not.

MR. CHAMBERS: I wrote to Tom about a month ago and he said he got the letter only last week.

At any rate, one of the helmet manufacturers has come up with a deal saying that anytime that holes are drilled into the helmet to put on a face mask, it wedges the helmet and, consequently, they will not guarantee that helmet.

Now, a football coach asked me, he said, for example, that a lot of people are concerned and, knowing I was on the Board, several people have called me and asked me to find out about it.

Evidently what they are being told is that if the mask is put on at the factory, it doesn't nullify the guarantee, but if you put it on at the school,



it does.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Which is the same answer I got, Bill, and we are purchasing approximately 50 or 70 new helmets this year and having the face masks put on at the factory.

MR. WALL: This was an individual manufacturer.

MR. DAVIS: It all comes down to the point they want all the business. They want both the helmet and the mask.

MR. CHAMBERS: I talked to Jimmy Van Dusen, who is an ex-trainer and he said as long as you know, you just put the one hole in, which is what you are supposed to do, that is fine. However, if you put three or four in there and drill there, you tend to wedge the helmet and so it was their policy that if you drilled holes to put the mask on there and got the correct mask on there, it did not bother the guarantee.

This is just what Del is doing.

MR. WALL: It just, you know, depends on the individual manufacturer.

MR. DAVIS: On the Ridel face mask, Del Humphrey had a little handout at Grossingers last week. This was the ATA meeting.

You may have seen it, may have received it, or I am sure one of your coaches or equipment men might have it.

Their mask, for years, has been sold to Ridel and all of a sudden Ridel is now taking a mask is making their own and almost copying Del's mask entirely, except on the backside there is a reinforcement that comes down and makes a loop for better reinforcement and it is heavier steel and if you will notice, on the short face mask, there is a red dot for what they

call their super pro. It is a heavier gauged steel.

Now, Ridel is using the same red dot but also putting a green dot on there to confuse you and they are attaching the Del Humphrey attachments with bolts in the back, which they buy in bulk from Humphrey. They are attaching that to their face mask and this is the way it is advertised in the catalog.

Therefore, if you are accustomed to Del Humphrey's face mask don't be misled by what is in the Ridel Catalog because there is a difference.

I think, Dick, was it at your place where they had a mask turned wrong side out or something?

MR. MALACREA: But that was a Humphrey mask -- that was not theirs.

MR. DAVIS: However, in conversation with him, he mentioned that though.

MR. MALACREA: I think Del is also going to try to stop them from making it?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

He has written letters to Ridel and they are to cease advertisement of this type of mask because it is misleading their customers or he will no longer sell his mask to them.

It all goes back that the manufacturer wants to monopolize the business completely -- the helmets with the mask.

MR. MALACREA: I have talked to our different suppliers about drilling the holes and all have said that if you drill it and you have a drill that is at 17 to 22 RPM, it is okay, but it has to be a high speed drill in order not to defect the mask.

It would seem to me that you would get this

in writing when you purchased the helmets because nothing implied by the salesman is going to carry any weight anyway. However, if you get it in writing, then it does.

Now, I like to drill my own because we have had them drilled by the manufacturer before and they come in God-awful positions.

MR. SANDIFER: What about like Navy and Wisconsin now, who have used these deceleration straps, putting snaps on the back, I wonder if that is voiding them.

MR. FLENTJE: Absolutely.

MR. WALL: That is an alteration. You are voiding the warranty of that manufacturer's shell but as far as voiding the NOCSAE approval, well, okay, you are buying the helmet as being NOCSAE approved at the time of purchase.

If you alter the helmet and something goes haywire involving the helmet and you have altered that helmet, you might get in trouble with NOCSAE but insofar as meeting the rules, meeting what was approved at the time of purchase, that is what the rule says.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay.

Is there anything else on NOCSAE?

MR. MALACREA: I might add that there are some dealers in our area who are no longer going to sell helmets.

MR. WALL: I think you are going to see a lot more helmet manufacturers going out of business within a very short period of time. They are going to diminish in numbers within the next five years.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We are now to the United States Olympic Committee.

Does anybody have comments on the USOC Report?

MR. DAVIS: The only thing that is here from the USOC is a big thick packet of materials that they sent to me and there is nothing from our representative to the USOC, and so I just stuck that all in there.

MR. BUNCH: Has our representative been to the meetings at all?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He represented us at the last Quadrennial meeting.

MR. BUNCH: That is the last time our Committee Representative has been to a meeting?

You know, a lot of times they meet when he is at a baseball tournament and things like that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay, it is two years since I was to a meeting.

MR. BUNCH: If we can have somebody go, I am for getting someone else younger on that Committee to go in and raise a little hell.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I would say this -- that I received no advanced notice of the meeting. Did you get that, Otho?

MR. DAVIS: It is in here.

MR. BUNCH: How do we expect to explain if we don't have somebody to explain?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I agree with you.

MR. DAVIS: Let's see where they are going to meet the next time.

Chuck is receiving that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He is getting the invitation?

MR. DAVIS: He gets everything else up there because I have sent him some things I received and he said there is no need to send it because he already gets it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I will check on that and have a report for you at the next meeting.

MR. BUNCH: I really think somebody ought to go.

This thing is silly, especially when you have somebody three years before the Olympics who says he is going. They already know it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Did they go?

MR. BUNCH: Yes, they went.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You are talking about the last ones?

MR. BUNCH: That last time.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You are talking about like in 1973 somebody told you that they were going in 1976?

MR. BUNCH: I heard they were going and they went.

MR. FLENTJE: Were they on our list because our list was in three years ahead of time?

MR. MALACREA: Are we members?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, we have one vote.

MR. MALACREA: However, we are not listed as a member?

MR. FLENTJE: Yes, they are there.

MR. DAVIS: We are in Class V.

MR. BIRDWELL: \$10. It says "one vote".

MR. CHAMBERS: I am in agreement with you, Herman, I think we ought to have somebody there.

MR. BUNCH: I will make a motion if you desire.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We don't need one.

I am just wondering -- I have never seen an invitation to it, Herman. We get the things afterwards.

MR. BUNCH: However, I think somebody ought to be there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I would think the invitation should come to our Association -- either Harriet, Otho or myself. However, as I say, I have never seen an invitation.

MR. DAVIS: I think it goes directly to Chuck.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I will check on that.

MR. DAVIS: The next meeting is going to be April 29-30th, the Quadrennial meeting.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is the big one, that is the one we definitely want somebody at.

MR. BUNCH: The basketball team comes into our place -- the olympic trainer in charge did not show up but was to show up at Chapel Hill after the Olympic Trials were over.

MR. SANDIFER: Don't tell me about that.

I have had three Olympic Trials, three times, and I have not seen a trainer for the Olympic Team yet.

MR. BIRDWELL: Are we going to continue with the present selection or do you want ideas submitted on possible different avenues?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Sure, that is what is supposed to have been done.

It will be done, we will be represented.

MR. BUNCH: I have been to three Board Meetings now and have yet to see a report.

MR. DAVIS: The only report I ever received is a telephone call. You never get anything in writing.

MR. BUNCH: My feeling is you either get on the pot or get off.

MR. CHAMBERS: We are dealing with a loaded subject anyway.

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I will talk to him, find out if he is getting them, if anybody else is getting them.

MR. BUNCH: If you want to change, then perhaps we should put a new set-up in here -- send somebody that can participate.

MR. DAVIS: Let's put the cards right on the table.

It has all been dominated by Dr. Hanley.

MR. BUNCH: However, you don't have to agree with it all the time.

MR. DAVIS: That is right.

MR. FLENTJE: I think the thing we have to keep in mind, and it doesn't make it any better tasting or anything, but they are going to do whatever they damn well fell like.

This was, I believe, pointed out at Boston. As I understand it, they said some 95 percent of the trainers are certified trainers and members of NATA and so what more can we ask for?

MR. MALACREA: On the other hand, why should we go to a long, drawn out, uniform, extensive selection process, especially if they are not going to pay any attention to the people we put up there.

MR. BIRDWELL: That is the feeling of the people of District No. 6.

MR. MALACREA: I have been getting guidelines together, application forms and a uniform selection process but then I brought it to my membership and there was some griping about this and a couple of people, members, after what I said, replied, it is not going to work, it is not worth the efforts.

MR. BUNCH: Where do most of the olympic trainers come from?

Districts Nos. 1 and 2.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Not in the summer games.

MR. BUNCH: Most of the time.

MR. FLENTJE: Not in Mexico either,

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think you are wrong, Herman.

MR. BUNCH: Maybe I am.

MR. BIRDWELL: One thing that District No. 6 brought up is that they would be in favor of just having



each District Director submit a list of names of certified trainers that would be interested in going, who have not been, and ask them to pick from that and then, after they pick them, cross them off to see how well we can get new people on there.

They are going to have repeaters every year but we have to have some input to them every year that shows a direct amount of interest and this would be a simple form.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: This is so one-sided.

When we say, for example, 95 percent of NATA members, they think they are doing us a pretty great favor.

MR. BIRDWELL: Well, I know. However, by submitting a list of names from each District, they might pick from different Districts and they would be certified.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: And I think that at least they try to be fairly universal in their selection. They have tried to spread it out.

MR. SANDIFER: Just like Dave Maynard, a good trainer of mine, when he told me he has been asked again, and I asked as to what happened. He said, well, originally when Pete Gordon was going down to the Pan Am Games, he asked Dave if he would do it. Dave did not want to take the time and so he turned them down then.

In 1972, he was again asked if he would like to go and he said "yes". Also, the Committee asked him if he wanted to do it in 1976 and he again said "yes".

There was nobody that came from NATA or anything like that. It is just a case of knowing the people.

MR. DAVIS: Getting your foot in the door.

MR. SANDIFER: If anybody were to have their foot in the door it would be Bill Barnham as head coach.

MR. FLENTJE: I think another place we may be missing the boat a little bit, and I don't know what it would take to get it accomplished, but in the conversation with the coaches and the medical staff, they don't want to take a chance on some individual they have never heard of and who doesn't know his foot from his ankle. They have gotten stuck so many times and this has been, as a matter of fact, in the last four years, when people supposedly were some of the smarter people in their organization and yet they don't know how to take care of a blister.

They don't care how smart they are, because if they cannot do the job, then they don't want them.

MR. SANDIFER: You also have a guy from the Committee down in District No. 6 who kind of dictates a bit as to who goes in track.

MR. BIRDWELL: I know who you have reference to.

He is on the three-man panel for selecting in relation to all of the foreign trips and he is one of the three men and hasn't been to a District No. 6 meeting since I was a high school kid. He has taken a number of guys from this District that have been on foreign games.

Eddie is one.

MR. FLENTJE: I think one of the things we need to do is to try to get some of our people some experience in International competition, whether it is being a trainer for one of the AAU meets here in the states or whatever.

I think we have to get some of our people exposed to some of this if they ever want to go anywhere

because they just are not going to take these people, I don't think, unless they are experienced.

MR. MALACREA: We are pressing and trying to look for a way and trying to get our list approved -- trying to get a better selection process.

I am wondering, for example, what it would be like if we just withdrew completely -- just sat back and gave no recommendations or anything?

For example, if you want trainers, fine, here is our NATA list, the entire membership, choose whomever you want", and then if they got tired of it, let them come to us.

MR. DAVIS: They would not get tired of it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What was the history of it?

The history of it was they got tired of people soliciting them -- they got tired of people hounding them -- "take me, take me" -- and so they came to NATA and said "please send us a list".

MR. MALACREA: Perhaps if we back off, then we can be in a better position in relation to strength. They would kind of be coming to us.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Herman, in relation to your previous comments, to answer that, there were 11 trainers that went to the summer games -- two were from the East, that is less than 20 percent and one-third of the membership, certified members are in the East.

So they did not get their proper representation, at least insofar as I am concerned. They should have had one more.

MR. DAVIS: However, in years past, they have.

MR. BUNCH: Did District No.3 have one on that?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They did not.

MR. DAVIS: How about the winter games?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: District 1 did not have one there, Herman.

MR. DAVIS: In the winter games there were five.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Four.

MR. FLENTJE: And at the American Games?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Ten or eleven.

MR. FLENTJE: How many were from the East?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Chuck from District 1, one from District 2 -- anybody else?

You have no more for the winter games.

They are only going to pick from the Northern tier of states.

MR. BIRDWELL: They will not pick from District 6 for the winter games?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No, they will not. They have just about told us that.

MR. SANDIFER: Dick got picked from our District for the winter.

What does Washington State have for winter sports -- basketball and snowball throwing.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Nobody said, for example,

they were logical in their selections. They certainly have not been accused of that. They told me they tried to spread it out.

Well, okay, we will have a representative at that meeting, at the Quadrennial Meeting.

MR. BUNCH: If this individual hasn't been there in two years, then I would say that we should replace him.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He was there the same year or so that Bobby went.

MR. BUNCH: If it is in April, he will not go because it is baseball season.

MR. DAVIS: It is time to make a change.

MR. BUNCH: I definitely think so and I think the President has to do so.

If we are going to have somebody, I think we ought to have somebody speaking for us.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It is up to me to make the appointment but then most of the appointments are made by agreement between Otho and I.

On this one subject, however, he doesn't agree with whoever I have picked and so it is up to us to get together and pick someone.

I have picked someone whom I think would be very influential. However, I don't know if that person would do it because he does not feel as many on the Board feel is the proper selection and does not have the feelings of many of the members of the Association regarding ethics and things like that.

However, I can assure you he has a lot of influence on that medical committee, as much as anybody.

Many of the trainers who go are not selected by the Medical Committee at all. The Medical Committee is told "you will take this guy".

MR. DAVIS: Well, my feeling about it is that it is time to make a change and get it out of the East.

As long as I can remember, this has always been dominated by Eastern trainers as our representatives.

MR. BUNCH: This is our feeling in our District and we feel strongly about it.

I think it is time to get out of that area and let somebody else have it. So what, he might not have as good a pull, but at least it is going to satisfy a few people, I think.

MR. DAVIS: It will satisfy a few more members.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I am not so sure it will.

I know, for example, that one-third of the members will not be satisfied.

MR. DAVIS: They have been satisfied for a very long time.

MR. BUNCH: For how long, actually, have they been satisfied?

MR. MALACREA: Our people in the East are disgruntled with the process, etc. That is one of the hottest topics at any of our meetings.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There are people who do not speak to each other in District No. 2 over this particular subject -- even involving old-time friends.

Therefore, don't think it is just in your

District. It is "why did he go and I didn't go"? That is the situation in every district.

MR. BIRDWELL: At least practically in every district.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: With the possible exception of District No. 1. They don't give a damn about anything -- who goes, who doesn't go -- they just don't say anything.

MR. BIRDWELL: We had two in the final selection this year and neither one got picked and Frank got picked again. We had a hot time in Waco this summer.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: If you only saw the letters that come in -- "I don't want to pick him without asking him if he wants to be in it".

For example, if you saw the letters that came in requesting Frank Medina from all of the different groups. He is just the greatest thing.

MR. SANDIFER: However, what does he do when he gets there?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I don't know, but he impresses the hell out of people who pick him.

There is really nothing we can do about Frank going or not going.

MR. SANDIFER: Yes, they will do what they want.

MR. FLENTJE: How many times has Frank been to the Olympics?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: A lot.

MR. SANDIFER: Have any of you seen the map

above his desk?

He has a big map of the world and has pin-pointed every country he has been to and he has a line going up to a little plaque and the plaques go clear around the map. He has been everywhere in the world.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, there is nothing you can do about that.

MR. SANDIFER: In other words, he has gotten his foot in the door and he has stayed there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I am thinking of Carl Nelson. I don't know whether he will go but I don't know of anybody who has more influence. I don't think he will take it, but I don't know of anyone who has more influence on Dr. Hanley in his decisions than Carl Nelson but, like Wes said, I don't think he will take it because his feelings are much different than the feelings of the Association in this matter.

Carl feels strongly that if they ask you to go, you are out of your mind if you say no. That is how he feels.

Whether it is once or twice, if they ask you to go, he feels you have the right to go and should go.

And so, you know, if we decide to nominate him to be the Chairman of this Committee, I will lay it right on him and if you disapprove him, then we have to pick somebody else. However, I am not so sure he will take it.

On the other hand, there is no trainer that I know of in the Association who has more influence with the Medical Committee right now than Carl, at least that I know of. Does anybody know anything different?

Does somebody have someone else to recommend?



MR. DAVIS: Who is calling the shots?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Dr. Hanley.

MR. DAVIS: Dr. Hanley says he is not.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Dr. Hanley states he does not have say over everyone who goes. He is told by people hire up than him as to some of the trainers he must take.

For example, he must take at least one from a minority group.

MR. BIRDWELL: That is why Frank gets to go all the time.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, maybe. However, Dr. Hanley does not pull any punches. He has said to me, "Frank, I have no choice" and then he has said "If you don't give me someone to take, then we have to have someone".

They are going to have a woman from now on. They have had enough influence that, from now on, you can bet that there will be a woman involved. If we don't name that individual, then they are going to pick her.

Therefore, there is three out of eleven we know we are not going to get.

The head trainer is four out of eleven and so now we are down to seven.

If CU has enough influence, they are going to also get their own, which they have, and that brings it down to six out of eleven.

MR. DAVIS: And if there is boxing, Cyskowski is going.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Right.

MR. MALACREA: So it appears to be an exercise in futility.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: On the other hand, the next time they send us a request -- "please send us 12 names for the Pan Am, 4 for the Winter Games, and 12 for the Summer Games", should our response be we do not feel we have the proper selection -- that we cannot properly select our own members to go and therefore, "you should just pick certain trainers that you think are qualified"?

MR. MALACREA: I think we can deal with this but the point is to have a policy that the two groups can live with.

What percentage of our list do we think should go?

Of course, we have to realize that there are other pressures involved.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What isn't accepted?

MR. MALACREA: For example, in my District, they felt that 70 to 80 percent was reasonable and they could live with that if it were a policy that the USOC said "okay, that is the policy", and we said "that is the policy and we are going to live with that."

They can accept that but there must be at least a statement so they know these are the parameters, these are the guidelines within which we are working.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, two things.

First of all, I cannot see them ever going along with a percent figure because they say they are going to pick 100 percent and that is what they tell me they do -- "we picked 100 percent of the trainers",

they didn't pick any of them.

They also tell us that they picked 95 percent that were NATA members and that this should have made us happy.

Okay, should we go along with that?

Should we, on that basis, come up with a percentage?

MR. MALACREA: I think that is the only way that is makes the work going into the selection process reasonable because the work that we have done in connection with the selection process, with a resume form, letters of recommendation, the whole thing where all the districts do it uniformly, this involves a lot of work on the part of the membership and then there is the Committee that has to cull through all of this and select members.

Now, if we are not going, on that basis, to get some kind of guarantee, then, as I said, it is an exercise in futility.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Let's try it one more time and see. Make a real hard effort with your form.

MR. MALACREA: Well, we can do that. That is not a problem.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Should we have any stipulation in our form to select minorities from our own, or women?

MR. DAVIS: No.

You have Title IX.

MR. MALACREA; Our girls shot this down in our District.

One of the requirements, for example, was that

you had to be a certified trainer for ten years. Well, we have not had the certification process that long and so, as a proposal, we changed that to five years -- that you had to be a certified trainer for at least five years before you could even begin to apply.

The reason ten years was put down first was because it was the thinking it would take that long before you really knew what you were doing.

MR. DAVIS: Before the next games come along, it would be. All you can do is put the date on there -- you actually will have been a certified trainer ten years by whatever date that is going to be.

MR. MALACREA: Somebody wanted to modify it for the women but then the girl said "no, forget it, don't make any exceptions for us".

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Some more suggestions.

Should we withdraw completely or should we make an attempt at it?

I am leaning towards withdrawing completely just to get the monkey off of our back.

What do you think, Herman?

MR. BUNCH: I would not back down. I already said this. You might get spit upon but I would stay in there and fight -- never turn tail and run away.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think we should keep hitting the nail.

MR. BIRDWELL: District No. 6 wants to.

The one idea, you know, they all seemed to kind of agree on was the one where we are to submit a list of certified trainers who have never been to the games from each District and who want to go.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: With a certain amount of experience?

MR. BUNCH: Yes. Of course, you are going to have to set up guidelines but then there are a lot who cannot go and who will not be on the list.

MR. FLENTJE: That is what that Committee is supposed to be for.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: For example, when they ask us for 12, 4 and 12, how do we narrow that list down?

MR. BUNCH: What kind of guidelines do they want? Ask them what kind of guidelines they want us to go by and see what they give you.

Ask them what guidelines they have used in the selection of trainers they have had in the past.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: For example, in connection with some of the things they have told us in the past -- they want them spread across the country; don't want them all from one area because they have to also play the politics game all over the country.

They also want some from the minorities that they can pick. They want a woman and they want someone who has gone there before.

This is essentially what they feel they want.

Now, all of a sudden, we don't like what they want -- all of a sudden we never liked what they wanted.

MR. BUNCH: And then we also come back and say "this is what we recommend".

For example, the reason we don't want repeats is so we can spread it around to some of our other

people. After all, you don't send the same athletes every year.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: But you do send the same Managers and coaches year after year.

MR. CHAMBERS: The same dentists.

MR. DAVIS: And the same old nurses.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The same nurses and the same doctors, Herman.

Okay, if there is nothing further, we will proceed to the Ad Hoc Committee for State Licensure.

MR. DAVIS: First of all, let's back up.

I think we need a motion to approve Linda Treadway as a member of the Ethics Committee.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, she is a woman and she is from Central Michigan.

MR. FLENTJE: Wasn't she on their list?

MR. DAVIS: This is on the Ethics Committee. You don't have anything in your book on it but before we leave this area we ought to do that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: In other words, Tow would like to have a woman on the Committee.

MR. WHITE: I will make that in the form of a motion.

MR. LEE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Linda Treadway is from Eastern Michigan, Central Michigan.

MR. WHITE: She is a Curriculum Director and I know of her. She is very active and a nice girl.

MR. BIRDWELL: She is an active trainer?

MR. WHITE: Very active. She is from Westchester.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there a motion she be accepted as a member of the Ethics Committee? Tow has recommended that she be accepted.

MR. WHITE: I would so move.

MR. LEE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there further discussion? All in favor? Any opposition?

It is unanimously carried.

All right, next is the Ad Hoc Committee for State Licensure. I would like a report from each of you but I would like to tell you right now that I know of ten states that are introducing at this Session and they are New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, Idaho, Arkansas, Georgia, Illinois and Indiana.

Well, anyway, if that is not the correct number those are the ones who are introducing legislation.

Does anyone else have anybody else to report?

Is there anybody else in your District, Wes?

MR. JORDAN: No.

MR. MALACREA: No.

Pennsylvania has it.

MR. BUNCH: In South Carolina we are trying to get it, whether we will or not, I don't know.

MR. WHITE: I talked to Bob the other day

but he did not give me anything.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then that is not official, Indiana or Illinois?

MR. WHITE: Well, I did not ask him for a list of states but he said he thought there were 17 states in the process.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Did he mention Indiana or Illinois to you?

MR. WHITE: He did not run down the 17.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, let us go back to eight because if the District Director doesn't know, then I don't know who does.

MR. FLENTJE: I don't know whether they are going to get it in this time or not but they are definitely working on it. South Dakota is working on it.

MR. LEE: There are no states in the Rocky Mountains right now.

MR. CHAMBERS: In our case, Dick Harman of Los Angeles College has kind of rewritten the thing and we have gone to talk to our representative. As a matter of fact, I think they are going to talk with him again in about two weeks. Whether or not we will get it in this session, I really don't know. However, we are leaning in that direction.

MR. WALL: Louisiana is planning on coming in later this year, in the spring.

In Tennessee, we are meeting next week in order to get things off the ground. We cannot introduce anything this year because of the way our legislature is set up.

For example, in the odd-numbered years, they



deal with nothing but budgetary matters and in the even-numbered years you can introduce almost anything.

MR. SANDIFER: In the State of Idaho there are only three certified trainers and they got it in. We have a Committee in Oregon.

Also, Washington has a Committee.

Montana has had a hard time getting a committee.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Thus far I have no state that is reporting any opposition in any measurable effect from the physical therapists.

Most anybody who is commenting anything in relation to opposition, indicates it is coming from the state governments themselves, who do not want to license any new professions, shall we say.

That is the way it is in Rhode Island. The Medical Examiner says that he will not sign it if it is put before him. If the legislature passes it and it comes to him, he will not sign it and last year he did not sign a speech therapist bill and so the Governor did and this year we are hoping that our Governor will sign it.

Now, it doesn't matter who signs it so long as somebody out there does. At any rate, that is where we stand right now.

Also, I guess that New Hampshire looks pretty good.

MR. JORDAN: They have all kinds of problems with it now.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They are fighting among themselves. They are not talking to each other.

MR. JORDAN: We are not going to go.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You are not going to try?

MR. JORDAN: No. It is the states again.

MR. WHITE: There is nothing to report in relation to Michigan.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: How about Kentucky?

MR. WALL: They are working on it and that is all I know. I don't know whether they will introduce the thing, have introduced the thing or not.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Pennsylvania has added some things and in New Hampshire they have had to take things out because a doctor said he would fight it if they were left in.

In Pennsylvania they have added things a trainer can do and if that is any indication as to what you can do when you have political pull, well, you can do it.

Well, I have nothing else on state licensure. Does anybody else have anything else?

Well, let's get everybody on it. After all, it is up to we guys to kind of whip them up.

MR. JORDAN: Do you have any comment on John Sayers' letter?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It is so ridiculous I have no comment.

My wife claims she will not type another letter to him no matter what. She may get a secretarial bill if I have to write it. However, she claims she will not write another letter to the guy. You just cannot talk to the guy. All I can say is that he is not the President of this Association anymore, the New York State Athletic Trainers Association.

The new President is Gene Castraville, who

is on a number of our committees, Certification and Membership. He has assured me the thing will not be the same -- that is just for getting anything done in the past and that things will be different and I believe him. He is a nice kid.

Do you want to discuss anything there?

MR. JORDAN: Well, he makes a very, very strong statement in his letter about where he feels the emphasis is going to be.

MR. DAVIS: Well, that is John.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay, but he was upset as hell because we fought him a year ago.

MR. LEE: Are there any more materials for our licensure handbook that was handed out at the June Meeting and that we should be updated on? It might be worthwhile, for example, getting bills like that of Idaho.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, some are not ready to let them go. I know, for example, that the Pennsylvania lawyer doesn't want that out until they introduce it. Once it is introduced, fine.

I think most of the states feel that way -- until it is introduced, they want to keep it kind of, well, not under wraps, but once it is introduced, then anybody can have it, at least according to what I have been told.

Gary is sending us a copy now. He said his essentially was model legislation, almost word for word.

Rhode Island is model legislation, word for word.

All right, let us proceed.

The next item is the National Head and Neck Injury Registry.

This is a good report from Dr. Torg.

Otho, do you want to talk about the District 4 meeting?

MR. DAVIS: No. I think it is a shame that we encouraged him, we joined with them and then you cannot put it on but that is the way it is.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Do you know what Otho is talking about?

Dr. Torg would like to present the results of the NATA National Head and Neck Injury Registry -- would like to present them at this year's National Convention. However, the Program Committee has decided not to allow him to present this because he is an M.D. and they don't want any M.D.'s on the program.

Now, could Ted present it?

MR. DAVIS: He is on for something else now.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Ted has even given up his time on the program to Joe.

You know, we have never had this -- never had a situation like this -- nothing like this in the seven years that I have really been here brought before the Board.

MR. CHAMBERS: I think you ought to let the local people do what they want to do.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: At any rate, is there any discussion on this?

How do you feel about it?

There are no priorities that have been set. This is a first.

MR. FLENTJE: For example, how much time does he need?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: A half hour or forty minutes.

MR. CHAMBERS: Do you want to have this for the whole general session and not have it in a special room or something like that elsewhere?

MR. SANDIFER: Well, I guess the Committee did not want this and so perhaps we should let them do what they want to do. Let's stick with them.

MR. JORDAN: On the other hand, if you make a change, don't you open yourself up to criticism?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: From who?

MR. JORDAN: From the other medical doctors and in relation to, as was indicated, we are going back to the basics and, therefore, there would be no other doctors on the program.

MR. WHITE: You know, I am amazed at the number of physicians who write things and want to be on the program.

MR. DAVIS: Just tell him he will have to do it next year.

MR. WHITE: Well, I will take back the sentimental feelings regarding that.

MR. DAVIS: The only real feeling I have about it is that it was something that the Association is doing -- it is our report -- it does not belong to Temple University.

It is the two, and they came to us and this

was a way for us to get more recognition, by doing a hell of a study and I don't care or give a damn who you heard from in relation to the NCAA, they are not the ones who change the rules on tacomatics or any of the other field equipment. It was Joe Torg. I talked with him.

I had Consumer Products who came to Veteran Stadium and we went and took pictures of the thing. Joe went to St. Louis after that and then talked to the NCAA Committee and now, when you talk to these people, they are the ones who made all the rule changes, which they did, but it was through NATA and Joe Torg that they got the ball rolling.

However, neither organization ever receives any credit. It is always Casey Clark and Carl Blythe, for example, who are the ones that did the whole thing.

MR. WHITE: I know of one place where the program has been set for several months and all of the time slots have been filled.

I don't think, if there is a time slot that opens, there would be objection to having him submit a report that we requested, but not as a doctor giving a paper. I know there is that much sympathy regarding this matter.

MR. DAVIS: I had hoped that the Schering Symposium would be on head and neck and then they changed that to the shoulder. Well, Joe was going to be on the program for head and neck injuries and give the report at the time as a part of his presentation.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Do we want to get into the business of recommending to the local program committees?

MR. WHITE: If you are going to do so, you will have to get in with it pretty early, especially if they are as well organized as our own program committee was.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, do we want to?

MR. CHAMBERS: Well, I think that as a Board we can do it but I think we might be establishing a precedent.

Bob just happened to be in an odd situation.

MR. WHITE: Since we knew we were going to have it, the whole district has said, "boy, we are going to have one we are going to participate in, we are going back to the basics now."

MR. DAVIS: Okay.

MR. FLENTJE: Does it need to be a verbal presentation?

MR. DAVIS: It would be nice, but it does not have to be.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, the next item is Sports Safety and Health Care Society.

We have Bud's report here.

I am a little bit concerned that it seems to be we think ourselves out a little bit more with this Society. It seemed to be trying to do a lot of things that we as an Association are trying to do and I don't know why -- I really do not have the answer.

I think it started out as an innocent meeting the first time and Larry Schmeidler has two things -- a lot of money and he has a lot of push -- and he develops things like this just like that.

I am not concerned about their goals but I am concerned about their spreading us a little bit thinner than we already are.

Does anybody else have a feeling or don't you worry about it?

MR. DAVIS: Don't worry about it, it is nothing at all.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay.

So we will make a recommendation that the report be accepted.

MR. FLENTJE: What report?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Bud's report.

MR. FLENTJE: Do we have a liaison with him?

MR. LEE: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We don't need anything, not really.

If there is no objection, we will proceed and the next item is the Schering Symposium.

This is in the report from Bud on that, really.

Do you have one there, Otho?

MR. LEE: There is a report, yes.

I believe it was handed to us in all the material today.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I understand we are now going back to Sports Safety and Health Care.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They do not have any request for Board action. Is there a motion to accept the report?

MR. FLENTJE: I would so move.

MR. MALACREA: Second the motion.



PRESIDENT GEORGE: Any further discussion?  
All in favor? Any opposed? Unanimously  
carried.

Now, again, we are up to the blue tab,  
the Schering Symposium.

Otho, do you have anything to say on that?

MR. DAVIS: No.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They have already sent  
us the check for this year?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

We received a check for \$4,000 as a pre-  
payment for certain expenses of the meeting. This has  
been deposited in the bank.

Also, this letter of June 4th outlines the  
detail about this.

As I indicated previously, the topic of the  
Schering Symposium this year will involve the shoulder  
and shoulder injuries and anatomy.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there anything fur-  
ther?

May I have a motion to accept the report?

MR. FLENTJE: I would so move.

MR. BIRDWELL: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All in favor? Any  
opposed?

It is unanimously carried.

As to the next item, the 1977 Convention,

we have already done that.

Now, the next item is State Organizations.

Now, Dick, do you have a formal proposal to make to the Board of Directors regarding State Organizations?

MR. MALACREA: Yes, I do.

In your handout somewhere, it says "reprint" on the wording we had at last year's meeting on the NATA stand on State Organizations. Here (indicating) it is, near the bottom.

What I would like to propose is to not make any Bylaw changes or Constitutional changes but merely to change an emphasis in the wording from the negative viewpoint to a more positive viewpoint.

Now, you can read what we said last year.

We are not encouraging the formation of State Societies or Associations. Now, what I would like to do is to propose a new statement and state that NATA goes on record that it encourages formation of State Societies or Associations where, in the opinion of the State Licensure Committee, such group will be necessary for or enhance the probability of implementation of state licensing regulations regarding the profession of athletic training.

However, let the record also show NATA feels that membership in State Societies or Associations shall be independent in all respects for membership in the NATA.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Do you have that typed up?

MR. MALACREA: I don't have it typed out.

This made our State Committee and your

Chairman much happier than the negative wording we had last year and it is at their direction that I introduce this and move this.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Would you read it one more time, slowly, as a motion?

MR. MALACREA: Do we have to do anything with the previous year's wording first, or is this just a new statement -- that we go on record with a new statement?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I think that is all we need because this isn't in the Bylaws or anything.

MR. MALACREA: Then I would like for us to say that the NATA goes on record that it encourages formation of State Societies or Associations where, in the opinion of the State Licensure Committee, such groups will be necessary for or enhance the probability of rapid implementation of state licensing regulations regarding the profession of athletic training.

However, let the record also show that NATA feels that membership in state societies or Associations shall be independent in all respects from membership in the NATA.

Now, this satisfies the concerns some of us had about non-payment of dues at the state level, causing problems within the NATA membership.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there a second for the adoption of this statement?

MR. JORDAN: I will second it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there any discussion on this?

MR. DAVIS: Pennsylvania has their provision that to belong to the State Society you must first be in good standing with the NATA. We felt we had to

do it to generate funds and to have a strong group to go for licensure.

MR. MALACREA: As I said, what we are doing here is taking away the negative wording.

Before that we said "we do not encourage", that is what we said -- "we do not encourage formation of State Societies or Associations". However, all we are doing is changing it to a positive viewpoint -- that we do encourage it in those states where the State Society would enhance the probability of legislation.

MR. WALL: Do we even need to do it?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It is just words, Tom.

MR. DAVIS: It is a play upon words.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Whether we do it or don't do it.

MR. WALL: All we are doing is coming back and trying to appease some people.

MR. DAVIS: Yes, you are trying to appease some but you are trying to let them know you are behind them and you are not against them.

MR. MALACREA: It proves that maybe we were wrong -- that maybe State Societies are necessary in some areas and we found that to be absolutely true.

MR. SANDIFER: In some areas?

MR. MALACREA: In some areas they are absolutely necessary.

Therefore, what we are saying is that in those areas where it is found to be necessary, we encourage their formation rather than to say we discourage their formation.

MR. SANDIFER: We are not saying, for example, each state has to form a society? That is the objection I have from my district.

MR. BIRDWELL: Let me ask a question here.

Have any state organizations started up and are charging dues and, if so, how much?

MR. DAVIS: \$10, with an assessment, if necessary.

MR. SANDIFER: How many members do you have?

MR. DAVIS: We have about 110 right now.

MR. SANDIFER: Is this with the sole idea of the money going to legislation?

MR. DAVIS: Yes, or going to the Society.

We will come back next month or the month after with an assessment.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there further discussion?

I am in favor of anything that will get a license passed. If this will do it, then I am for it.

If some states need an Association to get a license passed, I am for it 100 percent. I was in June and if the words are what we are playing with, then it is okay -- anything to get a license passed.

Is there further discussion? Are you ready to vote?

All in favor? Is there opposition? It is unanimously carried.

Is there anything else on State Associations?

Dick, what else do you have there?

How about the yellow pages on the back side?

Look it over.

Well, let's move on.

I think we have handled the next subject, that of state licensure, already. Does anybody else have anything to add to that?

If not, we proceed to the next item, the South Dakota Study.

It says Jim Booker, but I guess his name is Bower. I am the one that sent this to Otho.

It came from Gary Delforge's group -- came from them -- and this guy happens to be on our Placement Committee and I am for our Placement Committee but he makes two statements here.

He says that a partial solution to the injury problem would be to give present and future coaches adequate training and recognition of treatment of athletic injuries.

Now, I am not violently against that. That is okay. However, what I am against now is that this guy who, as I said, is from our Placement Committee, says -- "obviously, the ideal situation would be to place a trainer at each school but that is unrealistic in view of resulting costs and time that would be required to achieve such a goal".

Now, that is not true.

Our philosophy, especially for this Committee, should be to promote the idea of a teacher-trainer and here he had an ideal vehicle to do it with and he blew it.

Therefore, I plan to write to Rod and let

him know I think they really blew that one.

MR. FLENTJE: Let me give this to Frank Randall and he will take care of it.

Frank Randall and Jim (inaudible) were the ones that got into it about the Placement Service and whether we should spread the word of job openings by word of mouth or whether it should go to the Placement people.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay.

That is the only thing I have for that.

Does anybody else have anything to add?

Now, I am going to write a letter to Rod and this gentleman here that I think they were wrong.

Is there anything further on this one?

If not, we go to the next item, the Trainer of the Year Award.

MR. CHAMBERS: The only thing is I did not get any plaque yet.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, I would like to have you look at it objectively.

Now, we have had both good and bad comments about this particular matter. We all, I am sure, read Bill's letter and that is very good.

Now, a lot of some of the bad comments came right from the Board and so I think we ought to air them now and decide what we are going to do.

MR. CHAMBERS: One of the things people have asked is --"how in the heck do you get it?"

I reply, "I don't know".

So I asked those people how they got it and they indicated they had sent out 1500 postcards and then I asked them who they sent them to and they said they came out of Milwaukee ads.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, these are some of the comments we have been getting.

MR. CHAMBERS: They said they got back some 550 responses and they were very pleased. I did not even know I was supposed to go and if I had not been on the Board, I would not have been able to.

I called them on Tuesday and Bill Swig from New York called me back and said "Oh yes, you are supposed to be there". I said "good", and so I left Los Angeles, had to leave on Thursday. This didn't present any problem for me but it would have been nice to know about it a bit earlier.

MR. MALACREA: Everybody I talked to spoke very strongly about the commercial connotations.

Everybody who commented on it, commented with regard to the commercialization aspect of it.

MR. CHAMBERS: What came over television from Atlanta was filmed before the game was started.

Of course, I would agree with you, they overplayed the commercialism a little bit too far.

MR. BIRDWELL: Also, some of them who purchased the time were not given the time.

MR. CHAMBERS: I received two \$1,000 scholarships for my school and I know our people were just ecstatic about it. They thought it was great.

MR. BUNCH: My feeling is I think it is good. I think we have enough ill feeling with the Olympics. I don't think this other one is going to make



anybody mad. As a matter of fact, I think that if they want to give scholarships, that is fine -- give us a donation to our scholarship fund.

MR. DAVIS: I understand this is to be expanded. Next year they will get to the high schools.

MR. BUNCH: When they sent this out, I voted against it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Otho, do you know what the situation with this is for next year?

MR. DAVIS: Next year they would like to follow through with it -- would like to do it again, hopefully expand it.

MR. MALACREA: They called me and said "be prepared to write up a new topic for next year". I don't know how long he is talking about -- a minute spot again or what.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think we should get this aired out right now.

If you want to do it, fine, then let's say "yes". If we don't want to, then let's get it over with and don't leave them hanging.

I can tell you what they are going to do.

MR. WHITE: This is during the game.

MR. DAVIS: We have no control over what they do anyway. They can go on and on but their Association wants some recognition and this is the way to get it or one way. However, they don't have to have our approval or disapproval.

MR. MALACREA: On the other hand, how about some editorial control over the thing before the presentation.

Like the week that I was on it, the content, they would not buy that.

MR. DAVIS: No. They want to get their plug in.

MR. MALACREA: A lot of people do.

MR. CHAMBERS: I think we should tell them about our Code of Ethics -- give them their time, but get away from it wherever the trainer is on there.

MR. DAVIS: This particular one, as Cash has already stated, was pure commercialism from Ohio State. They had to be on there, Ohio State did.

MR. BIRDWELL: Of course, it will be a little different as far as money to the high school level is concerned. The next thing you know, the guy may put it in his pocket.

MR. DAVIS: I would like to see us continue with it, play down the commercialism a little bit and maybe approach them with the thought that the award recipient or winner receive a plaque and that X number of dollars are donated to the NATA Scholarship Fund in his name, to the Endowment.

Last year it was all started on short notice.

MR. FLENTJE: I think it would be good to go ahead and make the suggestion to them and if they want to, fine; if not, just go along with it.

I think that at the same time, however, we should be insistent that all of our members receive the balance. I don't know of anyone in District 5 that received them. I have not talked to everybody but people in my area did not know anything about it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: How about up in your area,

Wes, did they get them?

MR. JORDAN: No.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I wonder who got them and who didn't.

Okay, are there any motions from the Board as to what we do?

MR. CHAMBERS: I think there ought to be some sort of guidelines or something like that, where a person is nominated or something like this, rather than just having them fill in a blank, because, with a high school guy, how are you going to know?

MR. DAVIS: Well, here again, the thought on this was to have it a district vote on one person from each class.

These ten people would then be interviewed by a panel of two or three trainers and maybe a doctor or representative from Crackett and that panel select the award winners. Let them decide as to where.

MR. MALACREA: That would involve quite a bit of expense, of bringing 30 people somewhere, plus a panel.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It is in the fall.

MR. BIRDWELL: Have them list the ten professional, ten college and ten high school guys on the ballot and you select one and mail the ballot back in.

We can still vote them in that way.

MR. BUNCH: Any district that had ten votes could lock the affair up.

I think the idea offered by Otho is the best,

if you are going to do it.

MR. BIRDWELL: Bring them in for interviews?

MR. BUNCH: If they want.

MR. DAVIS: This is the way the Schering did it a few years ago on the Athletic Director of the Year Awards.

MR. BIRDWELL: Do you know of 30 trainers that can get away during football for an interview?

MR. DAVIS: No.

MR. BIRDWELL: At least I don't know of any active trainers that can do so.

MR. WHITE: I don't think we can tell them what process they have to use to select whoever they think is the trainer of the year anyhow.

MR. DAVIS: They are asking us for assistance.

MR. WHITE: They have asked us?

MR. CHAMBERS: They are enthusiastic about this -- they are all gung-ho. As a matter of fact, they were real happy with the returns they got and want to do it again and they want to give us recognition -- at least this is what they indicated to me in relation to this.

As a matter of fact, they just went out of their way to be nice to me and telling me how sorry they were Tommy could not be there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, what are we going to do?

MR. FLENTJE: I move we continue our relationship with these people and that Otho work with them and try to work out some of the problems that we

have discussed here.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There is a motion that Otho work with these people and try to work out the problems discussed here.

That motion was made by District No. 5. Is there a second?

Seconded by District No. 8.

Is there any more discussion on it? Are there any suggestions for Otho?

MR. MALACREA: I think they ought to do the selecting. I like the idea of a member in each category for a district because we talked about that earlier when the idea first came up. However, there was absolutely no time to develop that mechanism -- no time at all.

The idea came up -- just let them pick it and make the selection because we would be too severely criticized.

Now, if this is going to be something we are going to be involved with as an Association, then we should get approval of the junior college, the high school and from each district and let them pick and choose.

MR. WHITE: I sure think it is a good idea to give money to the scholarship fund.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I would definitely recommend that.

MR. JORDAN: However, we have no guarantee that this will be done.

MR. MALACREA: You can ask them to do it.

MR. CHAMBERS: I really think they are

willing to do anything we want them to do and if we make this recommendation to them, I am sure they will give it their consideration and act on it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, if they would give that money to the NATA Scholarship Fund, I would say we should do it.

MR. DAVIS: They would have but this year, however, it was advertised the other way.

MR. BIRDWELL: Try to push for four categories instead of two -- professional, college, junior college and high school.

MR. DAVIS: Their idea is to expand it.

This is what Bill said.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: How do you like the idea of each district putting in one name?

MR. FLENTJE: Whatever he wants.

MR. JORDAN: On the other hand, Is that fair to a district that only has one high school trainer but where, on the other hand in Texas they have hundreds of high school trainers?

MR. BIRDWELL: However, we only have one junior college trainer.

MR. JORDAN: I don't have any. California and Florida have a bundle of them.

MR. FLENTJE; Again, I would suggest they handle it.

MR. JORDAN: I think we have all kinds of headaches with the olympic selection thing and I think this is opening another can of worms similar to it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You won't have the district

recommend anybody?

MR. FLENTJE: No.

MR. JORDAN: I am not in favor of it.

MR. BUNCH: I am not in favor of it, really.

MR. FLENTJE: I think it is their product and they should handle it.

MR. JORDAN: If we get involved with them, we are going to be subject to the same criticism that we have been for many years.

MR. CHAMBERS: It is one thing being involved but are you not going to cooperate with them?

MR. JORDAN: I don't have any reason as to why we should not cooperate with them.

MR. CHAMBERS: If you look to the fact that they are willing to kick in \$3,000 or \$4,000 to our scholarship fund, then I think we should cooperate with them.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Right. If they are willing to kick in that much money to the scholarship fund, I think we should also bend a little bit and let them select the trainer.

MR. CHAMBERS: I think some possible griping and complaining is going to be given by people that get their egos bent a little bit. They are giving \$3,000 to our scholarship fund, you know.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: First of all, we all realize it is impossible to pick an "anything" of the year award. That is pretty hard.

MR. BIRDWELL: Just because you are picked for the award doesn't mean you are the trainer of the year. (Laughter)

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think we should do something to get the scholarship money.

MR. WHITE: I think we have given Otho direction.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Right.

Now, there is a motion by District No. 5 and seconded by 8 for Otho to work this out with these people. I think we have discussed that enough.

MR. BUNCH: Can I make an amendment to that -- to bring this back to the Board of Directors at the June Meeting before making a final decision?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, if you so amend.

MR. BUNCH: I do.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there a second to the amendment?

MR. WHITE: That would not be too late?

MR. DAVIS: Hopefully not. At least it should not be.

MR. MALACREA: I will second the amendment.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We have before us the amendment to bring any action back for consideration at the June Board Meeting before it is officially taken. That is the amendment.

Is there further discussion on the amendment?

If not, all in favor of the proposal, together with the amendment, so indicate. Is there anybody opposed?

MR. JORDAN: I am opposed to one but not the other.



PRESIDENT GEORGE: What are you opposed to?

MR. JORDAN: I am opposed to the first one but not the second one.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Very well, let's vote on the amendment.

All in favor of the amendment? Are there any opposed? The amendment passes, ten-zero.

Now, all in favor of the original motion, for Otho to work these problems out -- all in favor. Anyone opposed?

It is carried with nine in favor and one opposed.

MR. DAVIS: I don't want it brought back.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The next is the Porky Morgan Scholarship Fund.

You as a Board of Directors voted not to give any money to that scholarship fund. We had no discussion about this. It came in the mail.

I agree, we have our own scholarship fund to worry about. I don't know how you voted.

MR. CHAMBERS: What was the vote on that?

MR. FLENTJE: I voted "no".

MR. DAVIS: The vote was five-three-two. District No. 2 and District No. 7 did not answer the ballot.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then we should have given them the money.

MR. DAVIS: Why?

MR. WHITE: It was five-three-two to not give it.

MR. DAVIS: You have to have six.

MR. CHAMBERS: The vote was five-three-two, and you have to have six affirmative votes in order to give the money.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is that right? Even if it is five to three, that does not carry?

It is not that I am against it. However, I thought a vote of five to three would win.

MR. MELIN: Not in connection with a mail vote.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All right. I think you did right. We have our own scholarship fund to worry about. The next item has to do with the Vic Recice contribution. Did you put that in there, Otho?

MR. DAVIS: I think that Cash wanted to speak on this and one of the reasons it was placed in there was because of Porky and the Porky Morgan Fund.

It was decided in June that there would be no contribution.

MR. BIRDWELL: No contribution but then we, as District No. 6, at Waco, took up a contribution and mailed it to him. I don't know if he got it. It did not come back.

Either he or the postmaster got it, one or the other. At any rate, we sent it to him.

Now, when the Porky Morgan thing came up, I voted against it and mailed it to everybody in my District, with a copy of it to the Secretaries and they immediately said, "We are not going to give to Porky Morgan, we are going to give to Vic Recice".

They then said, "we want you to bring this up again, to give Vic Recice some money, especially if they are going to start that at National."

I said, "I will bring it up but I am sure it will be voted down".

Most of them felt like probably the Porky Morgan thing would go through and if it went through they wanted this to go through.

MR. DAVIS: I think we are talking about two different situations here.

MR. BIRDWELL: But the Porky Morgan thing went through and they wanted it brought up again the minute they heard about the possibility of NATA giving Porky Morgan some funds.

At that point, I said I would bring up the Vic Recice contribution again. I told them I would.

MR. FLENTJE: Do you have an amount of money?

MR. BIRDWELL: No.

MR. FLENTJE: We can establish anything we want to.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, let's have some discussion. Do we, as a Board, want to contribute to Vic Recice?

Does everybody know what that is?

Vic Recice is a trainer who is one of our liaison representatives to the Joint Commission. He is a 25-year award winner. I think he is also a Helms Hall of Fame.

His son was rendered a quadriplegic playing 150 pound football a year ago this fall. He is still

a quadroplegic.

They have redesigned their house to meet the boy's needs. I guess that is where we stand.

I guess some districts wanted to give him some money.

Dick, who is from his own district, spoke against it because of it being a precedent-setting type of thing and that is where it is right now.

The question is this -- do you want to change it -- do we want to contribute to that fund?

MR. MALACREA: I would speak against it again from a precedent-setting viewpoint and I was the first to go to Vic immediately after our meeting and tell him that was a subject that came up and I voted against it and I also gave him my reasons why and he understood completely.

Then a number of contributions came in and a trust was established. An addition to the house was put up by the trade union people and at cost and free of charge so that he really, right now, has not incurred any expenses that are not covered.

This kid, up until a short time ago, got back some of his functions, even in the lower extremities.

How much he is going to get back, that is yet to be determined. However, he is in a nice set-up, has the best equipment in the area -- has exercise apparatus that is very good but I still feel it is a precedent-setting thing.

Now, unless you set some form of policy, where are you going to draw the line. I think it should be drawn right here.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there any more discussion about that?

If not, let us proceed to the next item having to do with the Athletic Training Workshop in Japan.

I am sure all of you received my report on that, mailed to you right after we got back in the summer.

I'm sure you know that Dick and I went to Japan. I think probably the first people to contact Dick were either some of my people or the J&J people. I am not sure how it got initiated to ask Dick to invite himself and two other trainers to come to Japan and put on an athletic training workshop.

However, the other trainer could not go.

In lieu of payment, they paid the expenses of our wives to make the trip. It was very nice.

Everything was fine except for one thing -- the people who were enrolled in the program were led to believe in Japanese that they would become certified athletic trainers when the program was over and, of course, Dick and I had to tell them this was not true. This was done through an interpreter.

Those involved apologized to us and the reason they said they advertised such a thing is that they did not realize what certification entailed nor what it meant. We are also unhappy about that but probably that is the only thing we are unhappy about in relation to the workshop, other than the difficulties that arose with trying to teach, through a translator, the basics of taping an ankle. This can, through this means, really become a major procedure.

At any rate, that is where we stand at the moment.

One thing about this is that these kids at the workshop were very understanding. They said "we realize you cannot certify us -- we were just upset they

advertised it that way."

Some of the people, also, I think, got their money back because they were not going to be certified. They wanted their money back.

MR. MALACREA: Some of these funds came from the universities who sponsored it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All of this was handled at a very basic level.

MR. MALACREA: As a follow-up, they wanted another trainer to work there. Dave Darwin is working there now, following up with these workshops in relation to demonstration and techniques of training. He went there in August and was going there for six months and they extended it and he will be there until May. He was home for two weeks during the holidays.

He is a good trainer and he has a high degree of professionalism about him.

He is still pushing the ideas of NATA.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They are certainly with us.

MR. LEE: Is that going to be an annual thing?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I have no idea. Dick tells me "no".

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PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, are there any questions?

MR. LEE: We received a report last Fall?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, that came right after I came home that I wrote that.

Now, the next item has to do with the Sports Magazine Article.

Boy, there was a lot on that. Practically every trainer wrote or said something. We received a lot of comments on this and not since "Dog Days" have we received so many comments.

I can only say, however, we have no control over what anybody writes in relation to a magazine article and sometimes what we are quoted as saying doesn't come out the way it is said.

However, I think there are some trainers in the Association who were unhappy because he was at a meeting I spoke at, speaking to Team Physicians, and at that time, I said to them -- this is the basics; no matter how good or how excellent an athletic trainer is or how good his background is, that without a Team Physician, he cannot function properly.

Now, that is a true statement.

For example, we need a prescription to do what we are doing. We are told that.

We need a Team Physician.

I think that some trainers were unhappy that I said that but that is a true statement insofar as I am concerned.

Then I went on further to say as to how I felt about athletic trainers who were told what to do by the Head Coach. I tried to explain to them that when you

2 have a Head Coach who is more influential than the school president, it is tough for the athletic trainer whose job is on the line, to buck the Head Coach.

On the other hand, I indicated that I thought a better suggestion for the athletic trainers was to be employed by the Student Health Service. Whether it is not the athletic department policy, whether he is hired or fired, or whether it is a medical or student health policy, those were the two things I was quoted on.

In my letter back to them, I indicated that I had wished more of what was essentially discussed had been printed, especially the immense need for certified athletic trainers at the high school level.

Too many high school athletes are participating without proper medical attention. Faculty training never would be a solution to this problem.

Certainly an athletic trainer is a necessity, not a luxury for a high school athletic program and if I talked to them for 45 minutes, I would guess that 40 of those minutes I spent trying to convince them that they were really blowing their problem way out of proportion.

I told them, for example, that the problem was no where near what it was years ago.

I thought that college sports medicine had improved immensely and that the problem was at the high school level and not once in the whole article was the need for an athletic trainer at the high school level mentioned -- not once.

Now, Bill wrote to him, other people wrote to him, but none of our letters made it to the Editors.

Bill's was a little too long to make it, if you went by their guidelines, 25 words or less. However, I forget what it was, but I kept mine short and brief because a letter to the Editor should be no less than 50 words. I forget the exact thing.



Neither one of them made it.

All I can say in this connection is that there is nothing we can do other than write a letter to the Editor and if they won't publish the letters, well, you know about that.

Are there questions or comments?

Now, let me also add that because of this article, I was called up and quoted in many newspapers, the Washington Post and in other places.

One that I was quoted in and which I would not brag about was one of the scandal sheets, the Star or one of them. I did not bring that to light.

MR. DAVIS: I have brought one of those particular sheets with me.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, that is the story. Are there any questions or comments?

Well, I see you have something on the Washington Post article. I did not see that article but has it got to do with this?

MR. BIRDWELL: No.

There is one case mentioned there a lot. That kid has beaten hell out of the courts. The court ruled in his favor against state school immunity. It said that the athletic department is a separate unit inside the organization of the school system and, therefore, did not use state funds and, therefore, they were not protected and did not have to give their permission to be sued, like the government.

He says it wasn't a matter of how much but how soon they were going to get it.

MR. MALACREA: Is he as bad, this individual, as the article indicates?

MR. BIRDWELL: Well, I didn't ask.

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PRESIDENT GEORGE: So he is bad.

MR. DAVIS: He is coaching.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, again, I don't know what we can do about these articles and sometimes, you know, things you say never make it the right way into an article.

Any more comments on this?

Is there anything more we can do about it, other than a letter to the Editor?

MR. DAVIS: There is not a thing you can do and, further, when you get into a battle with them, through the media, you will never win.

As you know, all they want to do is to sell papers.

MR. MALACREA: I think one of the ways of slowing things like this down is to get involved into a counter suit.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there anything more on this? Anything we can do about it? Well, okay.

The next has to do with the AAU Report.

Now, I have written to this individual two times and, as yet, have no kind of a response -- nothing. I have no indication, for example, that he has received my letter. However, the letters are not returned and so I assume they have been delivered.

As I say, I have written twice and both times at the direction of the Board. You have copies of my

letters and I don't know what to say.

5 MR. DAVIS: Perhaps you should write one more time to this individual.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay. I don't know what else to report.

The next thing is the Amateur Athletic Union.

They want a letter from us, from the NATA.

Did you read what they want? Should we send it to them? What should we say? Does anybody have any comment on the letter?

MR. DAVIS: It is a good place to get a position paper.

MR. FLENTJE: We might make a trade-off with them.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They want to set up an information center and gather research funds for education from all of the citizens.

Well, you can read the letter.

MR. DAVIS: Tell them it is a good idea and encourage them to pursue it.

MR. FLENTJE: But, in return, "we would like a letter from you supporting our position on state licensure, olympic selection", etc.

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay.

I might say that the High School Federation did that to us and we did not like it very much, not at all, but they put in the same letter.

Now, the next item has to do with the Secondary Schools Athletic Directors Advisory Council.

You all have this before you.

I went to them to speak at Gordon's request. I spoke to them about athletic training, spoke to them about state licensure and the biggest thing is not so much what I said to them but what they said to me.

Okay, that is the Secondary Schools Athletic Directors Advisory Council. There is probably one member from each state there and probably 36 of the 50 states are represented.

Almost unanimously, this particular group is in favor of legislation requiring a trainer at the high school level. This is the Athletic Directors, these people we thought would be fighting us.

They said, "Look, we want to use a trainer but we cannot afford one right now".

I proposed some faculty trainers, people who teach.

"We cannot afford one right now but if a law comes down from HEW saying we have to have a trainer, then we will get one".

This is the Athletic Directors. They were very much in favor of having the federal government tell them they had to have a trainer.

I was shocked and amazed.

MR. DAVIS: You have to realize one thing, however, and that is that this Council of Secondary School Athletic Directors is tied in with AAHPER. It is not tied in with the High School Federation.

For example, the Federation has no rapport whatsoever with NASPE. They cannot say a good word for them whatsoever and so you are not dealing with the high

7 School Federation as we know of it or the High School Athletic Directors, although they probably belong to both groups, but we are talking now with a group belonging to AAHPER. Therefore, don't be confused by the two.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Phil, Bud and I also made a similar presentation to the National Federation of Athletic Directors group and they accepted that very favorably but, of course, knowing, at that particular time, they were against federal legislation.

All right, that is all I have on that.

The next item concerns alternate starting dates for membership.

Well, we went over that. A member can join any time.

MR. JORDAN: He has a choice after September 1st.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes.

MR. FLENTJE: A member active in the profession.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: This involves District No. 6, go ahead.

MR. BIRDWELL: Our people want to know what guidelines we have, for example, for setting up committees?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, the President makes a recommendation to the Board to approve the nomination of a Committee Chairman. The Chairman then, in turn, names his Committee. He then submits those names back to the Board for approval.

I cannot think where, in seven years, we have not ever approved a Committee member. I just cannot think of one. We may have.

MR. BIRDWELL: However, we don't have any

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guideline to say, well, okay, a majority of people on the Committee have to be active trainers in a training room?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I think we say that Committee members have to be certified.

MR. MELIN: That is all.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: They have to be certified members.

The Chairman of the Committee and Committee members have to be certified.

MR. MELIN: Except the Advisory Committee, I think, and some physicians.

MR. CHAMBERS: I have a question in relation to the Professional Education Committee.

Why is Gary Delforge representing District No. 8 on this Committee, on the Professional Education Committee, Page 2.

You will notice that Tow, for example, is being listed as District No. 7 and Gary as District No. 8.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think because of his close location to California.

MR. LEE: I don't think there was anybody else in District No. 8.

MR. CHAMBERS: Well, I was just inquiring.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think the choices he had there in District No. 8 were limited.

MR. CHAMBERS: Of course, I am not knocking that -- I am just curious.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He had so much trouble with Athletic Trainers at that time with California State

there at Long Beach and he just could not have picked someone from there.

MR. BIRDWELL: I think the thing that District No. 6 was looking at, that was brought up, was that as more and more schools get accrediting programs, which is fine and good, because we have four in our state, good or bad we have four, and more and more people get involved, they will essentially become involved in the curriculum part of it and thus get out of the training room and, therefore, we will see more and more of these people on various committees.

Now, I know they don't want this, they want active trainers on these committees.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: On all committees or on their Education Committee?

MR. BIRDWELL: The majority on all committees should be active trainers in the training room and as we agree with these various curriculums, we are going to have more certified trainers that are not active in the training room.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think that would hold -- probably is the truth with just about every one of our committees, except this particular committee, and that is because these were the people who showed enough interest to do what they have done. I don't think we could get someone not involved with curriculum to do what they do.

MR. DAVIS: Well, let's go through them.

There is the Audio Visual Committee.

MR. WHITE: The Research Committee appointed John Powell. However, he has not been actively involved.

MR. DAVIS: That has never been a policy or anything. Just certified has been our only policy. If you are certified, it doesn't matter what you do.

MR. BIRDWELL: They just don't want to see

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it come to the point someday where the trainers work in the training room and they are not running the committees governing the NATA. It is not that the others cannot do it but sometimes you are not in touch with reality as when you are not down in the pits.

MR. DAVIS: You have John Wells, who is not in the pits.

MR. BIRDWELL: What committee is he on?

MR. DAVIS: Drugs.

MR. BIRDWELL: It looks like he is the committee.

MR. DAVIS: He is the committee, yes.

MR. BIRDWELL: So this is one Committee that does not have an active trainer.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The History Committee. That is the wrong address he has down there for Mike. That is out. It should be the Baltimore Colts.

... At this point a discussion ensued relative to the various committee members, their present positions and whether or not they were active trainers in the training room ...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Now, gentlemen, do you wish to make any kind of a motion on that?

MR. BIRDWELL: Well, all right -- that the majority of all committees under NATA have a majority ruled by trainers actively engaged in the training room.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You know, we have discussed this before and I think we have to get back to, just first of all, I don't think it would work with the Education Committee at all -- I cannot see it working with that Committee at all.

MR. FLENTJE: I think there should be a



representative on there that is not.

11 PRESIDENT GEORGE: I know that Joann is definitely in an approved curriculum.

Also, Jack is not and so that is two. That is one Committee I cannot see it working at all.

Research and Injury might be another one because we have tried in the past to get trainers to work in the training room to do research and have been very unsuccessful.

Research and Injury Study.

MR. BIRDWELL: I did not say trainers out of the curriculum being a majority.

MR. DAVIS: You said trainers working in the training room.

MR. BIRDWELL: However, they do not have to be in an approved curriculum.

Now, on the Education Committee, we have a bunch of trainers active in the training room.

MR. LEE: But not a majority. We have four out of ten.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I don't know if the majority are. I cannot see the majority of them being that way.

MR. BIRDWELL: Mr. Melhart and Tow Diehm.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Melhart is out now. He is off of that Committee.

MR. LEE: He resigned.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I don't think we should discriminate against our members if they are certified

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for their positions -- whether they are teaching, training, working in the pits as Otho says, in research, in education, etc.

MR. DAVIS: I would not worry about it in education.

MR. MELIN: The members of the Advisory Committee are not required to be certified members on there.

MR. DAVIS: For that matter, why is Mike Wiley still on there? They do not have a program up there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Are you talking about certification?

MR. DAVIS: Yes. Do they have a program?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We will not know until June. They have been approved to June.

Therefore, in relation to the feeling of the Board, should we discriminate against our certified members because of what they are doing?

... Cries of "no" ...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Whether it's working in the training room, teaching school and working two hours a day as a trainer?

MR. BIRDWELL: He is working as a trainer.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Or whatever. Do you think we should discriminate against the people who are not basically in the pits?

MR. BIRDWELL: That was the feeling, yes, of our District -- that the majority of actively engaged trainers in the training room should always hold a majority on these Committees. I think that is right,

with possibly the exception of the Education Committee.

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PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, I think they do, in looking through this, with the exception of Education but I suggest, gentlemen, that once a certified trainer, always a certified trainer.

MR. DAVIS: We have tried -- and let us take Research and Injury for example -- we have nothing there. We put Ted on it and we had nothing there but now, with John on there, hopefully we will get some information for the use of NAIRS if for no other reason.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: May I have some feeling on this subject?

Bill, what do you think?

MR. FLENTJE: I don't think it makes that much difference, as long as there is representation for somebody to speak up.

MR. WHITE: It turns out we have it on all except one Committee and I don't think it is a problem.

MR. LEE: And I would hate to see it on that Committee, knowing that nothing will get done.

MR. WHITE: If you took it back to District No. 6, they would agree they are all there except for Education.

MR. BUNCH: I would agree with Bob.

MR. MALACREA: I am not concerned about it.

MR. JORDAN: No, I am not concerned.

MR. SANDIFER: No.

MR. WALL: No.

MR. CHAMBERS: No.

14 MR. WALL: However, it is something to watch and see, something to monitor. We have to approve the people going on them anyway. It needs monitoring.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay.

Do you want to make a motion?

MR. BIRDWELL: I already did but it was not seconded.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there a second to the motion?

The motion dies for want of a second.

MR. BIRDWELL: We did not point out anyone less than a trainer. We want to watch the committees.

Just because nobody has ever been denied approval doesn't mean we have done a good job.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No.

To draw a close parallel, if you look at now as to who has been ruling APTA for the past few years, it is the strong education group simply because they have the time, they have the money and they have the inclination to do it.

I think those are the three main reasons for that.

Now, the way it is going is that probably the private practice people are now beginning to move the education people out because they have the time, the money and they have a stronger inclination to do it for survival.

MR. DAVIS: Well, who do you think is ruling their organization?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, we have heard for years it was the professional trainers, when you and

Bobby were here, you know.

MR. DAVIS: You just answered it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The professional trainers.

MR. DAVIS: With your APTA.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: On ruling their organization?

MR. DAVIS: Of course.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I don't think so. I think it is the APTA members.

MR. DAVIS: Well, I do not mean that.

You were talking about who in APTA was ruling their organization and it was Education and it is the same thing here.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Education is ruling itself?

MR. DAVIS: Of course it is.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No.

MR. DAVIS: The heck it is not.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, who is in Education?

MR. DAVIS: Everything we do here, in one form or another, involves Education. The greatest percentage of what is involved here concerns the actively engaged classification. That is, as a matter of fact, what you spent a lot of time on here tonight.

The other part had to do with affiliate schools.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, the curriculum directors are running the APTA ~~and~~ the curriculum directors

are not running NATA.

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MR. DAVIS: Who do you think the decisions we are making are coming from?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: From these ten guys right there. Not one is curriculum.

MR. DAVIS: They are coming from the NATA Education Committee.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then my next question is, not that I agree with you, is that wrong?

MR. DAVIS: Well, you know --

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, in connection with most of the Board of APTA for years, it was composed of Education people.

MR. DAVIS: I am not so sure we are getting on the right track by eliminating the class where the guy can do his work insofar as certification.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I don't know what you mean.

MR. DAVIS: Wasn't there a number three?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Yes, Actively Engaged.

MR. DAVIS: Yes, and this is what you are trying to get out of.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Some day to have no Actively Engaged?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I would think so.

MR. DAVIS: That is what I am saying -- who is controlling all of this? It goes right back to your

Education people.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is one of my basic philosophies, I think, if you want to improve the profession.

MR. DAVIS: That is what you just said about the PT's too.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, in relation to their Board of Directors, if you looked at it some 15 years ago, it was almost all Education, all the Curriculum Directors. However, that is not the case now. The Private Practice people have been moving them out.

MR. DAVIS: However, they have also made other changes in the organization. They have, for example, expanded different committees.

You have opened up, for example, a Sports Medicine section which they did not have 15 years ago. You opened up Research, which they did not have.

MR. FLENTJE: As a matter of fact, they did not have sections 15 years ago.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, those sections have little to do with governing the association.

Well, okay, gentlemen, let's get on with it.

The Placement Committee Brochure is next.

Have we discussed that?

... Cries of "yes" ...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Study Guide for the National Certification Examination.

Are there questions?

MR. BIRDWELL: Well, we want to know if anything has been done since it was mentioned at Boston?

18 PRESIDENT GEORGE: Not a thing, nothing. They mentioned that in relation to the certification thing but nothing has been done on it.

The money is there and no one has done anything. We did give them the money. Berkshire gave them the money.

MR. DAVIS: And they had better make use of it.

MR. BIRDWELL: I got hit with that because we were in a meeting at the time when this guy came on and everybody then heard it, at least from our District, felt like it was a commercial and they wanted to know, when a local committee sets up the program, do we in any way know anything about the topic to be presented other than the title? Do we enter into it in any way?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No.

MR. BIRDWELL: They said, for example, this guy got up and never really told you what we could do, other than bring him in and how much it would cost us to bring him in. They said it was just a big commercial.

I told them that I was in the meeting and I did not hear it. However, they still said it was a commercial.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, let me say, regarding this matter, we have had no Board policy regarding program content, program presentation. We have had none and that is why I thought maybe it should be brought up.

Do we, as a Board, want to control program content?

MR. FLENTJE: No.

MR. BIRDWELL: Well, I am not saying to control it but do we want to see a copy of their lectures in advance?



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PRESIDENT GEORGE: Almost eighty percent of them probably do not have that. That is a guess, I don't know.

MR. BIRDWELL: We can do that under the proviso, for example, that we would just like to have it available on a hand out basis.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I am not trying to fight you because I don't mind giving a little.

The Program Committee came to me and asked me, should we put that on and I said, "no". A lot of good that did, however, because it went on. There was nothing we could do. However, I did not want that on.

I had that opinion because of the controversial aspects. You know, I even called Otho and I said, "I will be honest with you, his biggest selling point was the baseball team".

Phil was using it.

However, the biggest factor here is that we have no control -- there is nothing now that says we have any control, but do we want to have control?

MR. FLENTJE: You have enough problems the way it is.

MR. DAVIS: I think they knew it was wrong or they would never have called to ask if they should do it.

MR. BIRDWELL: Just ask the committees in the future to stay away from controversial issues and commercialism.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I did not say "commercial" at all. I did not realize he was going to do that.

Now, you make a motion that Committees stay away from commercialism and controversial issues?

MR. BIRDWELL: Yes.

MR. FLENTJE: I will second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That the Program Committee avoid presenting commercial type presentations and controversial issues.

Now, there are some medical controversials that we might want to hear about.

MR. BIRDWELL: You can ask about those.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I would like to see it just be "commercial" -- "commercial" and not "controversial", because there will be some controversial things, inflammatory things, etc.

MR. BIRDWELL: However, it is irritating.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: "Commercial and non-documented", how is that?

MR. BIRDWELL: Nobody knows what that means.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All right, we have this motion made by District No. 6 and seconded by No. 5.

All in favor? Are there any opposed? It is unanimously carried, ten - zero.

Now, in June, are we going to have a proper selection method by the NAT Committee?

Warren, you have been on it the longest.

MR. LEE: I could not answer that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, we are up to International Olympic Committee.

MR. MALACREA: Yes, we will have it by June -- have something by June -- definitely.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: In regard to the International Olympic Committee selection, District No. 6, what do you want in connection with that?

MR. BIRDWELL: They just want to know how we are going to do it?

They just had that one new idea they wanted me to present, one where you present a list from each District of those certified, who want to go but have never been. I did that a while ago.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The next item, Endorsement of a Student Trainer Program.

MR. BIRDWELL: We handled that a while ago, I believe.

MR. FLENTJE: Yes, we have taken care of that.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay.

The next item has to do with Chiropractic -- NATA stand.

This again comes from District No. 6. What would you like us to do?

MR. BIRDWELL: Well, mainly what I would like for NATA to do is to take a stand. I was sent their literature. I ran off a little of it, took a look at it and the only thing is that in their literature, you know, the people who are a little more powerful than we are take a stand, such as the AFL-CIO, for example. As a matter of fact, they have a little more power than the NATA and they take a more powerful stand with HEW.

We feel like we are in a position to attack another organization and stand fast when they come back at us.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You know, this came up

22 at the APTA business meeting a year or two ago and that was the general consensus -- why should we attack someone? What we should be doing is promoting and improving our own profession.

MR. BIRDWELL: Well, this is the way that I feel.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: In our own particular situation, I cannot see us attacking these people, especially when we are trying to get a license and then maybe having someone fight us on it.

MR. FLENTJE: No. They will fight us tooth and nail if anybody will.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: If we speak out against them.

MR. FLENTJE: Just generally. It doesn't make any difference.

MR. DAVIS: I would hate to see anything be done on it in behalf of the trainers in Pennsylvania because of the Governor's Black Lung Study Group, the coal miner black lungs.

MR. BIRDWELL: Well, I am personally against it but a member of my District wanted it brought up.

I would make a motion we take a stand on it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there a second?

There is no second. It dies for lack of a second.

The next item concerns spearing-- a signal to denote spearing.

Now, we had asked for that last year and got turned down. Do you want us to ask again?

MR. BIRDWELL: Yes, our District does, plus

the fact they say that on Sunday afternoons, the referees do not even call spearing. I would have to agree with them.

Now, is there any way that we can ask them to take a stand on it publicly?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Do you wish to answer that, Otho?

MR. DAVIS: I did talk to Art McNalley, head of the officials, and he said it could be brought up -- that they do call and they are cautioned to call spearing. Their definition of spearing, however, is for a man on the ground and the knee is actually gored with the helmet laying on the ground. They are not talking about butt blocking.

It was also mentioned at the meeting of the Joint Commission, and I asked their group to do something about it in relation to an organization of their stature, perhaps having the Joint Commission take it to the NCAA and that the NCAA, in turn, contact the NFL. That is where it presently is.

Now, there will be a meeting in March of the new Rules Committee.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there a great deal of spearing in the NFL?

MR. DAVIS: Again, it depends on what you want to call spearing.

If you want to call butt blocking spearing, there is a lot of it because they are told to butt their head right in there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Tackling?

MR. DAVIS: Yes, some. However, there is more blocking than tackling.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All right then, so are

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you trying to tell us that has already been done, we do not need a motion?

MR. DAVIS: It has been done through the Joint Commission. Now, whether Paul will go further with it, that is another story.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Will that satisfy you, Cash?

MR. BIRDWELL: Yes.

MR. JORDAN: Are you asking that this be taken back to the Committee again?

MR. DAVIS: I am not going to do it.

MR. BIRDWELL: He already said someone had done it.

MR. DAVIS: I want it to come from another governing body or organization and not the NATA.

MR. BIRDWELL: You feel like it is within the workings of the Joint Commission?

MR. DAVIS: It is supposed to be. It has been brought to the attention of the Joint Commission.

Now, if you want to find out further on it, Paul Trickett at Texas is Chairman of the Joint Commission.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Does anybody else want to say anything more on this particular item?

If not, we can proceed.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Course credit for convention attendance, Billy?

MR. CHAMBERS: I know we have done this during the last few years and each year we have had a

little bit of a pick-up.

What it is, it is just that the person can get extension units and we get \$50.

We can do it again this year. If you don't want to, this is fine.

I know, myself, I can use the units again and we will offer them to California State, like we did this last time.

We would have had more last year except we were in two different places and everyone had some people who could not find us. Therefore, there is a chance to pick up \$70, \$100 or \$200. It depends on how many people sign up.

It is the easy way to pick up money, depending on the number of people we have sign up.

John Shoe will be in early and will take care of it.

The only thing we need is Board approval. We can take care of all the mailing and everything. I think we included that in one mailing last year and people wanted to sign.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Do you want to make a motion?

MR. CHAMBERS: I make a motion we offer a course credit again to those who want to take it.

MR. FLENTJE: Second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Seconded by District No. 5.

Is there any more discussion?

MR. CHAMBERS: Are there any questions about

that?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: All in favor? Anybody abstaining or opposed? The motion carries.

MR. DAVIS: This will not count towards continuing education.

MR. CHAMBERS: No, we had that written in at our convention. They are not accepted there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The next item concerns the name change of the Association, again, District No. 8.

MR. CHAMBERS: Several of my members wanted me to bring it up because of the trainer.

People don't really know what we do and, like I mentioned in my note to Otho, that you all have a copy of, the name is someplace in here. A comment was brought up as to what about therapists. You know, I think that when we get into state licensure and we are talking about athletic therapists and everything, we are going to have physical therapists coming down on top of us.

Therefore, I am kind of like Cash, I was asked by some of my members to bring this up and that is what I have to do.

Of course, I realize it has been brought up in the past and, you know, I really don't have any suggestions or anything like that. I don't really want to change the name but I feel, because so many members wanted to do it, that I had to bring it up here.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Does anybody want to discuss this?

MR. SANDIFER: I have had some members in my District say the same thing. I think that what prompted this was several articles in reference to



dog trainers, boxing trainers and trainers suspended for drugs in relation to horses. These are the things they don't like.

These are all young fellows in the District.

MR. CHAMBERS: Along the same lines, because these things have also been mentioned in my District, I have had two people call up wanting to train horses. They didn't know but that is neither here nor there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: When Otho was in Baltimore, that was big horse racing area, and so this goes back five years now, at that time, every other week or so, we would get a Xeroxed thing talking about a trainer suspended for drugs. Of course, these were horse trainers and we discussed this then and we have discussed it a number of times since.

I think now we would antagonize too many people about this, especially in connection with our present licensure proceedings.

MR. DAVIS: I think it has merit for consideration but I would hate to see us start on it right now because we are trying to do so darn much to educate the legislators.

I know that in Pennsylvania, for example, one of the legislators called about our licensing bill. As a matter of fact, everything is going along favorably except from the State Athletic Commission.

Now, they are a three-man Board and their main concern is boxing and they think this law is not going to protect the boxing trainer in Pennsylvania and so they are going to be opposed to it.

MR. MALACREA: We are strongly against a name change in any way at this time in relation to District No. 2.

MR. BIRDWELL: We also do not want to see it changed.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I am perfectly sentimentally attached to Athletic Trainer.

MR. BIRDWELL: I told a bunch of guys and they said "let's not try to make people think we are trying to get one step ahead of everybody -- let's get our state licensure first".

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, if you can use it to get more money or tenure on the job in relation to the state, that is fine, do it.

MR. DAVIS: Write up your own job description, the way you want it. If you want to call yourself a Sports Therapist, that is great.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Do you want to make a motion?

MR. CHAMBERS: Should I?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I don't know, it depends on what your District wants.

MR. DAVIS: I don't think he has to make a motion.

MR. CHAMBERS: I just wanted to bring it up before the Board.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well then, I guess we need to take no action.

The next item has to do with ethics violation results. I believe we have already handled that.

The next is continuing education. This was brought up by District 6.

I also believe we did that.

The next item concerns the Henry Schmidt letter. Who wants to discuss it?

MR. DAVIS: It has been placed among your materials. Henry wrote us a letter and thanked us and there it is.

This appeared in Physical Education News and I cut it out and I just wanted to make you aware of the student trainers who work in the high schools on a voluntary basis.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There is a paragraph in the second column to the effect that the Coach should never conduct a practice session or contest without a plan for medical assistance in the event of injury.

That might take the form of a nurse being on the school premises and the physician present at a contest. It also might include a procedure to follow where medical assistance can be obtained from any other trained individual. However, it says nothing about an athletic trainer.

MR. CHAMBERS: I found this and had to give a talk on legal considerations and I used a lot of the material out of here and I don't know whether I have sent it to you or not.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I guess there is no action to be taken on this. It is merely for information.

The next item is Certification and Education Proposal, District No. 5.

MR. FLENTJE: That has already been taken care of.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The NCAA All-Star High School Games, that is next.

MR. DAVIS: That has already been presented to the Joint Commission and copies will be forwarded to the NCAA. I think that was your original request, Bill.

I wrote them a letter and that is the answer we got.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: The next item is release of information to professional teams.

MR. DAVIS: That came from Tom through Steve Moore -- from Steve Moore through Tom -- and he is completely 100 percent right, that some type of protection must be given or considered before releasing any information.

MR. SANDIFER: That does not only cover us when we went into this this fall, but it covers everybody -- your side also.

In fact, the Oregon people made out a blanket deal with all the players.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That was the first year I used the form that I just made up myself and it is very short and brief -- just allowing me to release information -- and it is the first time I thought I had to do it, but there were a number of articles and so I think we should all be aware of it.

MR. DAVIS: As a matter of fact, we have two forms -- one for us to give to other teams in the league and another one for us to receive information from any team, any university, college, etc., which they are required to sign. This is when we bring them in.

The next sheet is one that Herman sent me.

MR. BUNCH: You have to sign the form the first time a scout comes in. The scout signs it himself. If the scout does not sign it, he does not get his information.

Here (indicating) he signs the kid's chart that they talked to him about.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What happens if they call

you on the telephone?

MR. BUNCH: I will not give them anything over the telephone. I would not even give them our written information.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What if it involves another trainer?

MR. BUNCH: The same difference. I just don't do it over the telephone.

MR. DAVIS: I wish all of you would do that because then we would not have such difficulty. We would not have to be bothering you.

This is the way the trainers in the league want to get out of this -- they don't want to be bothered with this.

MR. MALACREA: You are allowed to enter into a conversation with someone if you do not resort to your records, if you are working on recall, but I am not quite sure. You can talk about the injury situation, for example, but you cannot resort to a record. If you go to a record, then you have to have a release.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, I don't know how well that would stand up.

MR. MALACREA: They can just comment.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Do we need to do anything on that?

MR. DAVIS: I would like to see the Association develop another model form and have it appear in the minutes or in the Journal as a suggested form that the colleges use.

MR. BUNCH: However, it should still be up to the individual school.

MR. DAVIS: It is a suggested form. You can let the guy do whatever he wants.

MR. WALL: That individual ought to take it to the school and say "hey, rework this thing into our terminology", because that is what I did with this one that I just passed out.

That is one I got down in Florida several years ago and sent it up to the Legal Staff and said, "rework it to where it meets our law".

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Are there any of these particular ones you would like to submit to the Journal as being a model for the NATA?

MR. DAVIS: I think they are all about the same.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It says "consent to release medical information", and then it provides for the name of the student and so on. Do you like that one? This is the one we are talking about, it looks like this (indicating).

MR. JORDAN: Is this one signed by the professional scouts?

MR. BUNCH: The unit signs this particular one.

Every one of my kids have a folder like this (indicating) and before I give out any information, I write down the date and, in relation to the person requesting the information, I put in his name and which club he is with right then and there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I believe that is the one we are discussing.

MR. MELIN: That is the same thing as in the book.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay.

Do you like that one as a model -- do you want to do some more studying?

MR. BIRDWELL: Basically, they are all going to be about the same -- short, brief and to the point.

It is then witnessed and dated.

MR. DAVIS: Okay.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Would you like one of these to be put in the minutes or the Journal?

MR. SANDIFER: I think one ought to be put in the Journal.

MR. BIRDWELL: You can diagram it out better in the Journal.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there one which you would like to put in?

Would somebody like to make a motion that this be the one?

MR. SANDIFER: I would so move.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: In other words, in the top right-hand corner of the form would be a provision for the name of the student and then the authorization paragraph would read as follows:

"You are hereby authorized to release to Pro-Scouts and Professional Clubs, for purposes related to my future employment, a complete copy of all your records pertaining to my medical condition, including all physicals, trainer's records, any diagnosis, treatment, history, prognosis, of any and all injuries and all other information pertaining to my past or present medical condition, diagnosis, treatment, history, prognosis from your personal knowledge and/or records."

Then, at the bottom of the form, it provides for the date and the signature of the particular student and then there is also contained, two lines to be signed by appropriate witnesses.

MR. BIRDWELL: I will second that.

MR. MELIN: Before we do this, however, I think we ought to get a legal opinion on it.

MR. DAVIS: There are two in there from the Eagles. One is basically the same thing that Herman had and was, insofar as I know, drawn up by our attorney.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We have a motion made by District No. 10, seconded by District No. 6.

Is there any more discussion?

All in favor? Is there any opposition?  
The motion is carried.

MR. FLENTJE: How are you going to put the thing in?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I will ask Otho to put it in as a form, with a recommendation that before this is released to any professional scout the student should be asked to sign a form similar to this.

MR. LEE: In your case, Herman, do you sign that as a witness every time?

MR. BUNCH: Yes. Most of the time, if I have somebody else there, I have them sign rather than me.

I use, as much as I can, my assistants.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: So you get them all in line so that one can sign for the other?



MR. BUNCH: What I do is that as of probably next month, I will go through and get all the signatures and have them sign once. However, now the Pro Scouts want information on juniors and I just tell them I don't have any information on them.

You know, a lot of this annoys me because, in general, they come in and ask the same questions over and over again and, as a result, you tend to waste your time with them.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Sometimes I say to them, "you forgot to ask me this".

All right, I guess we can leave this item.

The next item has to do with the clarification of the new blocking rules. I believe that has already been taken care of.

The helmet/face mask is part of the helmet.

The next item has to do with proxy voting of a district.

This was proposed by District No. 9.

MR. WALL: What I want here is some clarification.

For example, at our June meeting, Dick was present and voting for Districts Nos. 1 and 2.

However, we really do not have anything in the Bylaws stating that this can or cannot be done or anything else.

I just wanted to know whether or not you wanted to get something into the Bylaws stating that if a Director cannot be there, that another representative from his District can do the voting or that another Director can do the voting for this particular District?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Personally, and I don't know whether we will need Bruce's interpretation on this, I don't think we should have proxy voting.

MR. DAVIS: I don't think so either.

If you cannot represent your District, you should get someone to represent you. At any rate, that is my feeling on it.

MR. JORDAN: I did not get that impression.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You never thought of it before, the last time, Wes?

MR. JORDAN: Well, I believe I called you about this when I told you I wasn't going to be there. I asked you if I should get somebody and I mentioned a couple of names, and you said "no, I don't think so".

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, as to who you mentioned, I don't know.

However, I think it should not involve proxy voting.

Now, let me ask you, Bruce, do we need something in the Constitution or Bylaws or a policy statement in relation to this?

MR. MELIN: Well, I really don't know.

I think that it would be sufficient, however, for the Board to express its feelings on it and we just don't do it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, this Board, two years from now, is not going to be the same Board.

MR. MELIN: It is still a policy matter.

I think we should stop putting these things down because we are starting to get repetition in

relation to the things we discussed and the policies we come up with.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Even if it is just a policy statement, that would be all right, because we do have policy statements, don't we?

MR. MELIN: We do, yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well then, how should we do it?

MR. MELIN: Well, if you want to put it in the Constitution, then you have to follow a method of amending the Constitution.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Which is difficult and complicated.

MR. MELIN: It is not difficult but you cannot do it now.

You can do it in time for the next meeting in June. It would not become effective until after the business meeting.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: However, can we come up with a policy statement tonight?

MR. MELIN: Sure.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Would you like a policy statement?

MR. WALL: Yes, just so we know what the situation is.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It shall be the policy that if a member of the Board of Directors cannot attend a meeting, he shall not be voted as a proxy. He may have a substitute member of his District attend or stand in for him and vote.

Is there general agreement about this?

... General agreement was indicated at this point ...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay.

How does that sound to you, Otho?

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

This would be Policy No. 5.

MR. MALACREA: May we have the words again, please?

In other words, as I understand it, the Director of the District will be present or he may have a substitute?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: He may.

MR. MALACREA: However, it doesn't have to be?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: No.

MR. WALL: As I understand it, if he doesn't have one, he doesn't have a vote at this particular meeting.

There will then be only nine votes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: This is from his District.

Would anybody like to make that in the form of a motion?

MR. WALL: I would so move.

MR. MALACREA: I will second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We have a motion from

District 9 and a second from District 2. Is there further discussion?

If not, all in favor? Are there any opposed?

The motion is unanimously carried.

The next item has to do with dental insurance.

MR. DAVIS: There is nothing new. What has been furnished is merely for information.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Let me say that we did try to get a dental insurance package.

Is there anything on life insurance?

Have they contacted you at all?

I believe that Maginnis and Associates were going to contact you.

As I understand it, the next package they were going to offer was life insurance.

MR. FLENTJE: I believe the individual we were dealing with got canned or something because since then we have not heard anything.

MR. DAVIS: I think it is ready.

MR. BUNCH: Did you get that little note in relation to how they write ours in our state?

In our state, for example, the company writing that went bankrupt and they won't settle any suits.

MR. DAVIS: There are two organizations writing that and one of them is Chicago Insurance. The other was Interstate Fire and Casualty.

MR. SANDIFER: I understand that Maginnis

writes malpractice for APTA.

When they first came out, how many years ago did we take this with Maginnis, three?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Approximately.

MR. SANDIFER: What came to my mind then was that Maginnis was not licensed in Oregon for APTA coverage and so would we be covered for NATA coverage?

A friend of mine was in the Insurance Commissioner's Office in the State Capitol and they checked and found that they indeed were not licensed but they had a representative in the state.

So this brought up the question -- well, how well are you going to be represented?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I did not realize we were going to have a problem.

MR. SANDIFER: I didn't know that it really was a problem with APTA but as to NATA, I am not sure.

I think they finally decided it wasn't that big a problem but it was something brought up simply because it had been brought up before as APTA policy.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there any more discussion on this?

The next item has to do with the use of the NATA logo.

I believe that involves you, Billy, does it not?

MR. CHAMBERS: It wasn't me but I have something that I can talk to about this.

People in my District question this individual's intent, and here I am referring to Joe Borland,

because he is setting up tapes on the side and he is going or has gone to the governing body of the High School Athletic Association in California and they have a Sports Injury Committee there which he is on. They did not ask any of us to help him or anything like that.

I spoke at a meeting and I talked to two of our trainers in the area at that meeting and one of them said that Ted Williams said that another individual had indicated that they should take modalities out of the training room and that the physical therapists should be the ones doing this and the trainers should be taping only.

This was the impression he got and he gave the people the impression that we as trainers were not qualified to use the modalities and, thirdly, he set up a program at the Huntington Beach High School and he was on the Board and it was really ridiculous.

I have a copy of it here someplace. He set up a job description and I will give this to you, Otho.

However, in here he said certain things about athletic training.

What I am trying to say is that there are two different things involved here and they do not do justice to everything involved.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, let's take one thing at a time.

The first thing this man requests --

MR. CHAMBERS: Personally, I want a mailing list and I don't want him to have mine. He doesn't need to have my address because what we really feel is he wants our mailing list to send fellows tapes and if they want our mailing list, we will work with them.

We have told the Committee we will work with them and, for example, I have a letter here from the guy in charge of our licensure committee. I had him read the material here in the book and further, I talked to Lew Crowl and both feel like the intent is not just what it should be there. I just don't think we should let him have the use of our logo.

If they want brochures, well then, fine, let's give them our brochures, but to let them use our logo and this sort of thing, where we will not have any control over it, I am not in favor of that.

MR. DAVIS: Let me say that I talked to Tow about it and it would be in violation.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, has Joe Borland been notified of that?

MR. DAVIS: No, not until after this meeting.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay, is there a motion?

MR. FLENTJE: I would so move.

I would move we deny use of the logo.

MR. BIRDWELL: I will second the motion.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Otho and I discussed this at length and, really, the only ones who should use the logo are the officers of the NATA and only in connection with NATA business, and, of course, that is us right here, really, committee chairmen, things like that.

MR. MALACREA: I find myself playing games with the stationery.

It depends, for example, on who I am writing to whether it will be on NATA stationery or not. It might, for example, be on Princeton Stationery or other forms of stationery.



PRESIDENT GEORGE: I am sure we are all playing against the stationery. It depends on how important we want to look.

MR. BIRDWELL: What if you get a state license, do you get another set of stationery?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is right.

Well, we have a motion to deny him use of the logo. All in favor. Are there any opposed?

It is carried ten-zero.

Now, do I write to him?

MR. CHAMBERS: I was just going to say that whoever is going to write to him and do this, make mention in that letter that any brochures we can send him, we will be glad to do so -- something like that.

I don't think we can deny that request, can we?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I will give him Fred Kelly's address to write for brochures.

Now, let's proceed with the next item, having to do with audio cassettes.

MR. DAVIS: On the cassettes we made \$39 and with that particular company this is really a nothing.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, is there anything further on that?

If not, let us go to item 71 having to do with the National Athletic Injury/Illness Reporting System.

Now, the only thing about NAIRS is that several of you have received the letter. They are going

to have a meeting here in Chicago. That is another thing I have on it, and so it is nothing.

John Powell will represent us at that meeting.

MR. DAVIS: I am not sure that is at NAIRS expense, since he is running the meeting.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, let's proceed to the next item, a letter from Bill Flentje to the Journal.

MR. FLENTJE: All we need is more filler for the book.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is that a letter to the Editor?

MR. FLENTJE: Yes.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There is nothing we can do at this time, is there, or do you want any action?

MR. FLENTJE: No, mainly that we need more filler to the book.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then let's proceed to item No. 73 concerning the Federation Grapevine.

Now, I cannot make it out from what is here before me but it looks like on page 2 there it says something like 220 injuries were serious enough to be scheduled benefit plan payments for 1975-1976.

This was released by the Michigan High School Athletic Association Benefit Plan Program.

There were 4,333 students registered in the plan and there were only 220 injuries that were sufficiently serious to be awarded payments.

There is a breakdown of your states.

MR. FLENTJE: I left that particular one at

home.

MR. DAVIS: The thing I wondered about is, well, I think it is misleading information.

Let me ask you, Bob, is this a separate plan?

MR. WHITE: This is the Michigan Athletic Association. It isn't an insurance plan. It costs \$4 a year. I don't know whether it states that.

In connection with this, you get some sort of coverage in relation to the amount of money that comes in. As I say, it is not an insurance plan.

MR. DAVIS: The thing that is very misleading is that the injuries would probably be covered by the athlete's parents insurance program first.

MR. WHITE: That is right.

MR. DAVIS: And here again the High School Federation is making a big play using their data to play down the injuries.

With, for example, 52,000 boys playing 11-man football in Michigan, I am sure there were more than 220 injuries and I am also sure there were more than 4,333 that had some type of insurance program.

MR. LEE: It could be one of these plans, for example, where it is optional to join.

MR. WHITE: It is.

MR. DAVIS: However, what this is doing, is bringing it to your attention.

MR. WHITE: Let me further comment to the effect this is not an insurance plan -- it is just a benefit plan you file and you get some money.

MR. LEE: It could be certain coverage also.

MR. WHITE: I don't know.

Let me say that my son, for example, played high school football and did not subscribe.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there any action you want on this?

Well, if not, let's proceed.

MR. DAVIS: The next item is No. 74, having to do with litigation and legislation.

There are just some comments there that were in the December report from the High School Federation. I don't believe there is any action needed on it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: If there are no comments, let us proceed.

The next item has to do with rehabilitation of injured athletes.

MR. DAVIS: This again comes from the High School Federation.

Now, the thing that disturbs me a little bit about this is that this organization has come out and stated in some of their reports that there should be a trainer in the high school taking care of athletes. However, they make no effort whatsoever to do anything about it and they come out with propaganda of this type.

It mentions the use of some sort of microwave and ultrasound and this goes to all the coaches in the country. Every high school in America received a packet of these press releases.

MR. WALL: Do you foresee any changes in things like this?

MR. DAVIS: I do not foresee any changes,

none whatsoever, because they will keep right on doing it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Is there anything further? If not, let us proceed.

MR. DAVIS: The next item is the NAIA-NCAA Cooperate for Mutual Benefits.

There are these two organizations involved here and since Larry Fritz has become Executive Secretary of NAIA, they are at least meeting and talking to one another and kind of trying to meet on common ground.

Cash, would you like to comment on the Washington Post Article?

MR. BIRDWELL: Yes.

This particular article appeared in the Washington Post on Saturday, September 25, 1976 and this is a quote that I am reading:

"I run a Master's Program here for anyone with an Undergraduate Degree in Teaching to come for a year to become a Certified Trainer. Last year I had two graduates", and then he goes on to say "I had trouble finding them a job".

Now, if he is quoting correctly here, then he is, by the same token, misleading a lot of people.

MR. BUNCH: As I remember it, that concerned North Carolina State and we don't even have a Graduate Program there.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think in order to get into Joe's program, you need 600 hours under a Certified Trainer before you can even get into his program.

MR. BIRDWELL: You know, he cuts it awful short insofar as qualifications for a degree for being a

certified trainer are concerned.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I might say to all of you that I was down in Nashville and got into a group down there and if you see how I was quoted as to saying how you should treat a quadroiceps, you will be surprised.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I think, Frank, at that time, he really did not understand you.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I know that.

Is there anything further?

If not, let us proceed.

MR. DAVIS: The next item has to do with the advertisement for athletic trainers that you have all received. I received it from Jack Cramer.

I referred this to the Placement Committee.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: There is no action indicated by this Board at this time?

MR. DAVIS: No.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Then the next item has to do with the American Council on Education.

Let me say that Otho and I discussed this and my recommendation was that Otho and I and Bill Donnelly go down there and represent the Association.

Otho said that he did not think that he could make the meeting, hoping that Phil and I could make it.

The meeting is not set up.

The reason it is Philadelphia is because the American Council on Education is located at One DuPont Circle and this is the same address as COPA, who are important people whom we want to employ to be an

accrediting agency for the Athletic Training Curriculums and Phil is leading our push to do that.

There is nothing else happening and no-one really knows anything about it.

I called Mr. Spence but he has been out. I will call him again.

Okay, the next subject has to do with deaths.

Is there any comment on any of these?

A track athlete died at Brown this year but not on the field. He aspirated his vomit. He was sleeping, sober, and there were no drugs involved. He was a healthy kid and the autopsy showed nothing unusual.

MR. SANDIFER: One high school kid that we were recruiting in this area died of aspiration of the gums in a plane.

MR. DAVIS: There was also one in Ohio.

I have asked the Journal to pull that out, too, by the way, the quench gum ad and so, while we are on this, I would like approval from you.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Will somebody make a motion that we approve the decision to remove the gum ad from the Journal?

MR. FLENTJE: I will so move.

... The motion was severally seconded ...

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Let the record show it was moved by District No. 10 and seconded by District No. 9. All in favor? Are there any opposed? It is carried, ten-zero.

One more thing. Everytime we end up talking about the Olympics, I get the feeling I am trying to

railroad something past you. I would like each of you to send me a recommendation of one man or more than one man whom you feel would be good to represent us at the USOC. Now, he might be in your District or he might not be.

I mean a top individual.

Now, also, what do we want to do about letting the states use the PES examination which NATA owns?

Do we want to let them use it? I think we should. Lindsay thinks we should.

PES thinks we should.

Do you want to do it?

... Cries of "yes" ...

MR. FLENTJE: Sell it to them.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: We think, for example, that next year PES will be charging us \$30 for the examination, is that correct? It is \$25 now and Lindsay hopes it will only go up \$5 but we do not know.

MR. DAVIS: It certainly will not go down.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: That is for sure.

Well, do we want to sell the examination to the states?

Are we concerned with security?

MR. MALACREA: I think we want to investigate the use of this for the states. I think we have to. Also, we have to do it with good security.

I don't think we are going to be able to handle this one down under Section 4 -- that is, charging



our members more than other members.

I would like to talk about this and have it a Board action that somebody open these things because I think I talked to the New Jersey Commission and they are talking about certification testing, etc., and, therefore, if we can say to them we have something at their disposal and if they want to use it, fine, but that we would like to control it.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I know that in Rhode Island we do not want to develop an examination -- we don't want to grade an examination, no, no, we want to buy that and whatever it costs the kids to take it, that is what they are going to have to pay.

MR. DAVIS: It certainly will help reciprocity.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: I don't want anything to do with making up an examination. I cannot make up one as good as that.

I might say that no committee in Rhode Island can make up one as good as that. We have put originally some \$10,000 into this and then we have added at least another \$5,000 into the revision of it. That is \$15,000, plus participation of trainers from all over the country regarding their contributions.

MR. FLENTJE: What is Dean Weber going to do? Is he going to sit down and write it out?

MR. WALL: I would say that we should let them use it in terms of \$100. PES takes \$30 and NATA keeps \$70 to develop new examinations with.

MR. DAVIS: The hope would be it would be sold by the NATA Board of Certification. The test would go back to the NATA Board of Certification and then be graded by PES. The scores are returned to NATA and then back to the states so that NATA is the middle man from the state to PES.

MR. JORDAN: How about the people taking that examination signing something we are asking our people to sign?

PRESIDENT GEORGE: What is that?

MR. JORDAN: Well, we now require all of our people taking the Certification Examination to sign a statement that they will not release any part of the test.

Can we do that with those people at the state level?

MR. DAVIS: You can in Pennsylvania. All we have to do is put it in the Ethics.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It is up to the Board.

MR. SANDIFER: That would be one of the rules of the Athletic Training Board.

MR. JORDAN: However, it ought to be written in if they are going to do that.

MR. SANDIFER: There are a lot of little rules and things like that that come up as the Board begins to convene.

MR. WHITE: And how about the practical aspects of the test -- who administers that?

MR. DAVIS: The state.

MR. WHITE: Well, suppose the state does not want it.

MR. DAVIS: They don't have to have it. They can write up anything they want. They don't even have to have a written for that matter.

MR. BUNCH: I think you should have qualifications on admission to the examination.

When we do that in our state, the examination is sent to a school. This time the Duke Testing Service handles it. It is sent there. We give out the test package up there and then send it back and in that way you have control.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It comes in a sealed package and goes back in a sealed package?

MR. BUNCH: Yes.

Also, they know how many packages are sent. You have to send back that many.

In other words, I think there should be a form in which it should be given out. It has to go to a school testing service, for example.

MR. SANDIFER: In Oregon it has to go to the state.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, different states have different methods as to how that is done.

In Rhode Island, for example, it is the State Medical Board of Examiners who give that test.

MR. DAVIS: It probably would be better if it did go to a state agency for testing than it would be to a member of the Certification Committee in that state.

Then you run into your Board approved schools.

MR. WALL: I suppose these kinds of mechanics are to be left to the Board of Certification for working out.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Well, okay, do we have any suggestions we want to give them other than what we have talked about here?

Okay, then notify Lindsay we give our

mission for him to release that examination to the  
ates.

MR. WHITE: With proper security, yes.

MR. MALACREA: And how the financial matters  
work.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: It costs us \$30.

All in favor aye; any opposed? It is  
unanimously carried.

Now, is there anything else on this? Is  
there anything in relation to New Business?

MR. BUNCH: I think it would be nice if you,  
as President of the Board of Directors, wrote whoever  
televised the baseball games and thank them for intro-  
ducing the trainer. That is the first time I have ever  
seen that done.

MR. DAVIS: In the World Series, they do it  
every year.

MR. BUNCH: However, that is the first time  
I noticed it and I think a letter to them would be  
nice.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: Okay, who did it?

MR. BUNCH: Does anybody know?

MR. JORDAN: I think it was NBC.

MR. DAVIS: Are you sure?

MR. BUNCH: I don't know.

PRESIDENT GEORGE: You tell me who to write  
to and I will be happy to do it.

MR. CHAMBERS: That would not have come out  
of the Commissioner's Office?