

**2013 AMTA House of Delegates Meeting
Wednesday, September 25, 2013
Thursday, September 26, 2013
Fort Worth, TX**

5:00 pm **Welcome Delegates**
- *John Combe*, House of Delegates Operations Committee Chair

AMTA Presidents Welcomes Delegates
- *Winona Bontrager*, AMTA President

Pledge of Allegiance
- *Kerry Methot*, HODOC Member

Silent Reflection
- *Pat Aicher*, HODOC Member

5:31 pm **Call to Order** – *Dan Barrow*, Moderator
Present: House of Delegates Operations Committee members:
John Combe (OR), Chair, Patricia Aicher (OH), Kerry Methot (CT), Lisa C. Parenteau (MA),
Ken Swenson (IA), Linda Toomey (NY).
Board Supervisor: Rachel Mann (NC)
Moderator: Dan R. Barrow (NM)
Parliamentarian: Richard Greeley (OH)
Voter Response System Operator: Brandon Russell
Staff: Mark Tyle, Director of Governance & Chapter Relations
Onsite Consultant: Gail Friedman

Roll Call

Total delegates	142
Present delegates	140
2/3 Majority Quorum	94
Majority Quorum	71
Total Weighted Votes Possible	53,557
Total Weighted Votes Present	52,984
Majority Weighted Voted Present	26,493
Majority 2/3 Weighted Votes Present	35,322
2/3 Majority Quorum	94
Majority Quorum	71

6:06 pm **Agenda Adoption**
HOD 13:01 Moved by Bob Jantsch (PA), second by Laura Machida (MI)

HOD 13:02 Motion to amend agenda to include “Call to Action” on new business by Glyn Desmond (WA), second by Celia Bucci (IL).
For: 65 Against: 75 **Motion failed**

HOD 13:03 Bob Jantsch (PA), moved to amend the agenda to include 20 minutes of discussion in New Business on the ACA, second by Virginia Anthony-Barrow (NM).

HOD 13:04 Motion to Caucus for 5 minutes by Lee Stang (CT), second by Laurel Freeman (FL).
For: 102 Against: 38 **Motion passed**

6:51pm House comes to order

HOD 13:03 Bob Jantsch (PA), moves to amend his amendment of the agenda to include a 20 minute discussion of the AMTA and the affordable care act. Recommended topics would be questions you would like to have answered in the closing Keynote: The Affordable Care Act and the Massage Profession and/or the role you would like AMTA to have in relation to the A.C.A.

For: 120 Against: 20 **Motion Passed**

HOD 13:01 Vote to adopt the agenda as amended.
For: 126 Against: 8 **Motion Passed**

7:09 pm

HOD 13:04 **Adoption of Rules of Procedure**

Moved Virginia Anthony-Barrow (NM), second by Laura Machida (MI).

HOD 13:05 Tom Whitmore (WA), motion to suspend the rules to allow the two late delegates to be seated at their appointed chairs, second by Laurel Freeman (FL).

HOD 13:06 Motion to debate the suspension of the rules to let in the two late delegates by Bob Jantsch (PA), second by Virginia Anthony-Barrow (NM).
For: 32 Against: 107 **Motion Failed**

HOD 13:05 Motion to suspend the rules to let in the two late delegates.
For: 66 Against: 74 **Motion Failed**

HOD 13:07 Lisa Parenteau, (MA), motion to amend procedure 5. Strike out Paragraph C., "No electronic transmissions are to be made or received from the floor of the House while the meeting is in session. This includes Twitter, Facebook, Texting, etc.", second by Virginia Anthony-Barrow (NM).

For: 20 Against: 120 **Motion Failed**

7:30PM

HOD 13:08 Connie Griffith (AZ), motion to amend Procedure 1 - seating of delegates, second by Michele Cordero (AZ).

HOD Business Meeting - DAY 1

No delegate will be seated after the Moderator of the House announces that roll call has begun.

- A. If a delegate is not in attendance when the official roll call is about to begin a duly elected chapter alternate may be credentialed and seated.
- B. If a seated delegate must leave the meeting and is unable to return a chapter alternate who is in attendance at the meeting may be seated to replace the absent delegate.

HOD Business Meeting - DAY 2

- A. No delegate or alternate will be seated unless they were in attendance during Day 1.
- B. No delegate will be seated after the Moderator of the House announces that roll call has begun.
- C. If a delegate is not in attendance when the official roll call is about to begin; a duly elected chapter alternate who was in attendance at the Day 1 meeting in the current year, may be credentialed and seated.
- D. If a seated delegate must leave the meeting and is unable to return a chapter alternate who is in attendance at the meeting, and was in attendance at the Day 1 meeting in the current year, may be seated to replace the absent delegate.

HOD 13:09 Bob Jantsch (PA), moves to extend the meeting by up to 20 minutes, second by Pat Malone, IL.
 For: 49 Against: 90 **Motion Failed**

7:34 pm – Meeting recess until 1:30pm tomorrow afternoon, Thursday, September 26, 2013.

1:34 HOD Business Meeting resumes Thursday, September 26, 2013

1:34 Roll Call

Total delegates	142
Present delegates	140
Total Weighted Votes Possible	53,557
Total Weighted Votes Present	53,191
Majority Weighted Voted Present	26,597
Majority 2/3 Weighted Votes Present	35,460
2/3 Majority Quorum	94
Majority Quorum	71

1:42 Continue motion to approve Rules of Procedure

HOD 13:08 Connie Griffith, AZ motioned to amend the Rules of Procedure the previous day, seconded by Michele, AZ.

Call the Question For: 128 Against: 7 **Motion Passed**

HOD 13:10 Bob Jantsch moved to change Procedure 5, Change “Cellphones” to “electronic Cs”, second by Lois Myrleen Harrison, FL.

For: 111 Against: 18 **Motion Passed**

HOD 13:04 Motion to adopt the Rules of Procedure as amended
For: 132 Against: 3 **Motion Passed**

2:09 Reports

Reports

John Combe, HOD Committee Chair

Welcome and thanks to the dedicated house delegates. Informs house of resignation.

Rachel Mann, HOD Operations Committee Board Supervisor

Report on upcoming operations

Xerlan Deery, Position Statement Review Committee Chair

Thanks Tony Roberts and Susan Delaney and two missing members, for their hard work on the Position Statement Review Commission.

Position Statement #1

It is the position of AMTA that massage therapy can improve health through its effects on the physical, mental and social wellbeing of an individual.

HOD 13:11 Kevin Lynch (SC); motion to accept the Position Statement proposal on Massage Therapy, second by Laura Machida (MI).

For: 92/34,331 Against: 47/18,659 **Motion Failed**

Position Statement #2

It is the position of the American Massage Therapy Association (AMTA) that massage therapy can assist in reducing the symptoms of anxiety.

HOD 13:12 Katie Heatley (SC); motions to accept the Position Statement Proposal on Anxiety. Second by Laurel Freeman (FL).

For: 115/44,239 Against: 25/8,952 **Motion Passed**

Position Statement #3

It is the position of the American Massage Therapy Association (AMTA) that massage therapy can improve health related to quality of life for cancer patients.

HOD 13:13 Kevin Lynch (SC); motions to accept the Position Statement Proposal on Massage Therapy and Quality of Life for Cancer Patients. Second by Laura Stevenson-Flom (CT).

For: 71/25,975 Against: 69/27,216 **Motion Failed**

3:30pm **10 minutes break called for.**

3:42pm **Meeting resumes**

3:43pm **HODOC Elections** (4 positions open)

1. Appointment Tellers' Committee (total of 3)
Tom Whitmore (WA), Ralph Dobson (NC), George Class (CO)

2. Candidates to speak (2 minute limit)

Linda Bucher
Lisa Curran-Parenteau
Toni Roberts
Laura Stevenson-Flom
Roxanne Young

Voting Results

Lisa Curran- Parenteau (MA), Toni Roberts (GA), Laura Stevenson- Flom (CT), and Roxanne Young (HI), are elected to the new HODOC.

4:00 pm New Business Discussion

4:22pm Bob Jantsch (PA), moved to end the meeting, seconded by Jessica Ferrer (NH).

4:23pm **Meeting Adjourned**