

**ISMTA BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, CHARLESTON, IL  
NOVEMBER 1, 2019**

Board members present: Christopher Goldston (President), Yeeseon Kwon (President Elect), Chee Hyeon Choi (Vice President for Conferences), Linda Barker (Vice President for Local Associations), Junghwa Lee (Vice President for Membership), Jeff Kleinsorge (Treasurer), Jennifer Cohen (Competitions Chair), Nancy Liley (Educational/AIM Chair), Lynette Zelis (Immediate Past President), Janice Razaq (Director at Large), and Kathy Hoster (Secretary). Also in attendance was Gary L. Ingle, MTNA Executive Director and CEO.

President Christopher Goldston called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m. A quorum was established. Minutes from the April 14, 2019 board meeting were approved with one correction: Janice Razaq's name was misspelled under the Board Reports section.

President Christopher Goldston presented the meeting agenda. Yeeseon Kwon motioned for approval of the agenda, seconded by Janice Razaq. The agenda was approved.

**BOARD REPORTS**

**President's Report – Christopher Goldston**

Christopher provided a detailed written report. He commented on his attendance at a recent leadership summit, accompanied by Lynette Zelis and Janice Razaq.

**Treasurer – Jeff Kleinsorge**

Jeff provided a detailed financial report, highlighting adjustments that have contributed to a \$30,000 increase in the account balance.

**Conferences – Chee Hyeon Choi**

The 2020 ISMTA Annual Conference is scheduled to be held at Northeastern Illinois University on November 6-7, 2020.

**Local Associations – Linda Barker**

Linda submitted a written report and alluded to requests for a state membership brochure.

**Membership – Junghwa Lee**

Junghwa offered a detailed report highlighting consistent membership numbers from the previous year. Collegiate chapters have increased to six, due in part to the membership drive over the summer.

**Competitions – Jennifer Cohen**

Jennifer provided a comprehensive report, drawing attention to the increase in MTNA Competition enrollment numbers.

**AIM – Nancy Liley**

Nancy offered a report, noting that the utilization of the ISMTA website for ordering and payment of fees has been very successful.

**Immediate Past President – Lynette Zelis**

Lynette presented the slate of officers to be voted on at the November 1, 2019 General Membership Meeting: Chee Hyeon Choi (Vice President for Conferences), Linda Barker (Vice President for Local Associations) and Jeff Kleinsorge (Treasurer). These officers would continue to serve in their present roles.

**BUSINESS DISCUSSION PONTS**

**Conference Committee** – Christopher discussed potential opportunities to serve on this committee in the areas of copy editor for the conference booklet and as liaison for conference catering. It was noted that Eastern Illinois University provided exceptional service as hosts to ISMTA. Chee Hyeon Choi suggested that gift cards be sent in appreciation. Linda Barker made a motion that two \$50.00 gift cards be sent, one each, to Shellie Gregorich (Chair, EIU Department of Music) and Dennis Malak (Director of Operations Dounda Fine Arts Center); motion was seconded by Junghwa Lee. All voted in favor.

**Composition Competition** – A new Composition Coordinator is needed as well as a Chair for the North District competitions.

**New AIM Awards** – The change to upper level plaques versus bars has been positively received. The new plaques are more economical and function better for students who skip levels.

**AIM** – Revisions to the workbooks and exams have a completion target date of June 2020.

Christopher shared a number of goals for the coming year: to see the new logo and revision date on the AIM workbook covers; to resolve copyright concerns; to secure competition sponsors; to create a state membership brochure; to digitalize history archives; and, to add additional collegiate chapters. He recommended several monetary incentives for teachers and students. He also proposed a leadership summit for the spring of 2020 which would include the Advisory Council.

Following Christopher Goldston’s closing comments, Janice Razaq motioned for adjournment and was seconded by Linda Barker.

The meeting was adjourned at 9: 12 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Hoster  
Secretary