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Get Involved in the NAIA-ATA:
If you are interested in becoming involved in the NAIA-ATA, please contact any officer or regional representative. Elected and appointed positions that are open are listed in the Life Changes Report.

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NAIA-ATA Reception and Business Meeting

This years NAIA reception will be held at 5:15pm on Thursday, June 19th with the business meeting taking place at 6:00pm. Both will be held in the Renaissance Grand Hotel, Majestic E. Cramer, Inc. will be sponsoring the reception. Looking forward to seeing you at the reception and meeting!

See you there!
Thursday June 19th 5:15 PM
Renaissance Grand Hotel, Majestic E

NAIA-ATA BOD welcomes President Elect & NAIA Liaison

The NAIA-BOD welcomes Eric Walser (Mid America Nazarene University) as the new President-Elect of the NAIA-ATA and Dennis Green of the NAIA as the Liaison of the NAIA-ATA

Eric Walser is the Director of Athletic Training Services; he is an Associate Professor in the ATEP at Mid America Nazarene University. Eric has been involved with various NAIA Championships for many years and has also been involved with the National Athletic Trainers' Association Board of Certification where he has served as a Test Site

As the President-Elect he is looking forward to increasing communication in the NAIA-ATA to build a stronger association and better support system for the certified athletic trainers who work exceptionally hard in our small institutions.

Dennis Green is the new NAIA-ATA liaison. Dennis came to the NAIA in October of 2007 and brings with him a wealth of knowledge and experience of athletics from the college, conference and professional levels. Acting as one of four Managers of Championship Sports, Dennis is the administrator for Football, Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving, Division I Women's Basketball and Softball. Serving as such, Dennis is responsible for creating and editing manuals, scripts, and contracts for championship event hosts, participating teams and support staffs. He also serves as the national office liaison to coaching bodies and constituent groups at national championships, conferences and conventions.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

After a number of changes in the board of directors for the NAIA-ATA we are on track to continue the good progress that was made the past three years under the leadership of former NAIA-ATA President April Reed and continue to move foreword to improve athletic training in the NAIA. After various meetings, emails and phone calls I am excited about the plans we have for this year.

A quick update on the two committees that were created several years ago to tackle the "hot topics" in the NAIA. The web page committee has redesigned the web page to be more informational and user friendly. Information such as contact information for regional reps, championship event information, and different templates and policies are available or will soon be available on the web page. The championship committee is working on standards for championships both regionally and nationally, by this summer they hope to have a guideline for how to travel to the various championship events.

This year April Reed became the NAIA Liaison for the CUATC and has been an active voice for the NAIA with this committee. We also encourage you to get involved and find out who your representative is to the College and University Athletic Trainers committee (CUATC) for the NAIA. This can be another voice for us at the national level. If your region does not have an NAIA rep to the CUATC we encourage you to consider getting involved. The commitment is little but the rewards can be great. I encourage you to get involved in your area to be a part of helping improve athletic training in the NAIA.

Thank you for your time and I wish you the best for this year. And if any of us on the board or your regional rep can be of assistance to you please do not hesitate to contact us.

God Bless,

Susan Ganz