

**APTA Geriatrics  
Cognitive & Mental Health Special Interest Group Membership Meeting  
May 4th, 2022**

**Leadership Committee:**

Alexandra Alexander (Chair)  
Christine Ross (Vice Chair)  
Sarah Cooper (Secretary)

**Special Guests:** None

**Absent:** N/A

**Attendees:**

1. Alex Alexander
2. Anna Evans
3. Sam Stryke
4. Arvie Vitente
5. Brigna Johnson
6. Carmina Rafael
7. Devayani
8. Christine Kamph
9. Rebecca Galloway
10. Hannah Baker
11. Christy Ross

**Agenda for Discussion:**

- A. Dr. Arie Vitente presented call for CANDIDATES for APTA Geriatrics:
  - a. BOD Secretary, Chief Delegate, Director; Nominating Committee member; and open SIG Positions: Bone Health Chair, Global Health for Aging Adult Chair, Residency and Fellowship Chair, Cognitive and Mental Health Vice Chair and Health Promotion and Wellness Vice Chair
  - b. Deadline for nominating is June 6
- B. Next meeting will be in September, invite to go out
- C. Update on Current Projects
  - a. Cognitive Toolbox Taskforce:
    - i. Reviewing and finalizing
  - b. Journal Club in November
    - i. Case presenter to be selected by September 1st
    - ii. Article: Pain-Reducing Effects of Physical Therapist-Delivered Interventions: A Systematic Review of Randomized Trials Among Older Adults with Dementia
    - iii. Those interested in case study: Devayani, Minnie, Annalisa Na, Brigna Johnson, Mary Jamison, Kurt Biebuyck, Beth Castellini, Nicole Dennis, Christy Ross

#### D. Paused Projects

- a. Brainiac Newsletter – quarterly
    - i. Vice chair to head project
    - ii. Keeping it to 1-2 pages or less
    - iii. Start this newsletter in the fall with October being the first to go out in Q4
    - iv. Including information on:
      1. PT Month (October)
      2. Journal club (November 15th)
      3. Highlighting officer(s)
      4. Treatments and/or research related to CMH
      5. Google poll with questions for members
    - v. Use of canva to create QR codes or links and keeping the newsletter with concise information and nice clean look
    - vi. Those interested:
      1. Christy Ross, Kurt, Rashelle, Christine Kamph, Arvie, Anna Evans, Minnie, Amie
  - b. Operation Chain Reaction
    - i. Those interested:
      1. MaryAnn Wharton, Christy, Michele, Brigna Johnson
- #### E. Social Media/Website Updates/Engagement
- a. Update website with new resources
    - i. Reach out to research liaisons to update research articles