

## FSMTA - Suwannee Valley Chapter Meeting

April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008

The meeting was called to order by President Matthew Grubb at 6:15pm in the Haven Hospice conference room.

14 people were in attendance plus the evening's CE presenter—Carla Van Arnam presenting "Tai Chi"

Meeting minutes from April were adjusted and approved.

### **President's Report:**

Matt Grubb and Elizabeth Killebrew just returned from attending legislative week in Tallahassee.

The big talk during legislative week was trimming the budget.

There is a call out for information on massage and health care. People were asked if they saw strong documentation that showed the benefits of massage in a health care way to collect the information.

The FSMTA convention will be in July. Rooms are available on-line now. Classes are in place. May 16<sup>th</sup> will be the early bird special.

Sam Campano (Website Admin.) was injured and is in a coma. Please send good thoughts. The FSMTA website is up to date and looking really good.

There has been talk about making a second test to improve pass rates for massage therapist when getting their license. First time pass rates are low in the state of Florida. Florida School of Massage is an exception with a first time pass rate between 87% and 92%.

### **Vice President's Report:**

Continuing Education:

June 10<sup>th</sup> -Cranial Release Therapy– Dan Towey and Bill Doreste

Seated Chair Massage Team Events

April 25<sup>th</sup> – American Cancer Society's relay for life. 6pm to 10pm

April 19<sup>th</sup>– Keep Alachua County Clean

The March of Dimes gave the Chapter's Seated Massage Team a plaque of appreciation.

Elizabeth Killebrew was given approval to teach and give four credits for the course needed to be on the chapters seated massage team.

Lee Thompson will be teaching the needed course to be on the chapter's sports massage team April 19<sup>th</sup> in Jacksonville. The course will be at the Arlington School of Massage. \$65.00 from 4pm to 8pm. Contact Elizabeth.

**Treasurer Report:** We are in good standing at \$3280.67

**Legislative Report:** "Register to Vote"

**New business:** No new business