

**Canadian Association for Play Therapy (CAPT)  
Annual General Meeting  
Virtual ZOOM Meeting  
April 29, 2022, 7-8:30 pm (EST)**

**1) Official Opening Remarks**

As outgoing President, Theresa welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting, and confirmed there was quorum. Theresa introduced Tracy Blyth, CAPT Operations Manager, and Scott Kettles, CAPT Executive Director.

**2) Land Acknowledgement**

Members were asked to acknowledge the land they are currently on, with respect to which First Nations people were on that same land which was gifted to us.

**3) Approval of the AGM Agenda**

*Motion “To accept the approval of the draft AGM 2022 agenda.”*

Moved by Krysteli Needham.                      Seconded by Stephanie Anderson.      Motion Carried.

**4) Presentation by CAPT member, Allison Stickney**

Allison shared her research exploring the meaning that tactile objects and experiences have in practice, with small break out groups for then larger group feedback and discussion.

**5) The Betty Bedard Bidwell Volunteer Award**

Betty Bedard Bidwell is the only current member who has been with the Canadian Association for Play Therapy since the very beginning. She has taken on many roles to help create and teach curriculum by being a Board Member, Certification Committee member, Education Committee member, Supervisor, and Mentor to many certifying play therapists. With her long volunteer history, it is fitting that the CAPT presents the annual award for outstanding volunteer contributions for our Association and its members in her name.

The winner of the inaugural Betty Bedard Bidwell volunteer award is Krysteli Needham. Congratulations Krysteli!

**6) The Monica Herbert Award**

The Monica Herbert Award is a prestigious award that was inspired by the courage, devotion, hard work, and commitment to helping children and the world of play therapy as demonstrated by Monica Herbert. Sadly, on July 5, 2019, Monica passed away. She was a loving wife and mother of two sons and a daughter, used her skills to help many children, and showed an interest in working with autism.

To receive this Award, the recipient(s) must have made a significant impact and exceptional contribution to play therapy through dedication, competence, and exceptional performance in one of the following areas: outstanding clinical work using play therapy, research related to play

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therapy through a book, article, or paper, community and committee work, or exceptional contributions to the lives of children.

This year's Award was presented by Betty Bedard Bidwell on behalf of CAPT to candidate, Edward Vella. Congratulations Edward!

### **7) Approval of the AGM Minutes 2021.**

*Motion "To accept the 2021 AGM minutes."*

Moved by Betty Bedard Bidwell. Seconded by Ricky McIntyre. Motion Carried.

### **8) Treasurer's Report**

Please see CAPT Finance Annual Report.

*Motion "To appoint the Auditor M.D.P. Short, RLB LLP in Guelph, ON – Partner Brenden Bellai as Lead Accountant."*

Moved by Helena Kogas. Seconded by Margo Sippel. Motion Carried.

Helena Kogas, as Treasurer of CAPT, presented the Treasurer's Report. The Association needs to continue to promote workshops to generate revenue. The focus will also be on creating a CAPT reserve fund.

### **9) Committee Report Highlights**

Theresa thanked everyone for their time and commitment to CAPT committee work.

**Certification Committee** – Chair Hannah Sun-Reid updated that this Committee continues to certify people. In 2021, there have been 9 certified CPT's, and 3 CPT-S's. In 2022, there has been 6 certified CPT's and 1 CPT-S. Congratulations to the newly certified play therapists and play therapist supervisors in Canada! See submitted committee report.

**Education Committee** – Chair Jodie Hiebert highlighted the Committee meets monthly. This committee is in transition, with some members retiring and they are looking for new members for the Education Committee. See submitted committee report.

**Membership Committee** – Chair Kenda Riggs updated on this newly reformed committee, and key themes for the upcoming year being focused on membership perks, recruitment, and retention. See submitted committee report.

**Diversity and Inclusion Committee** – Co-Chair Kevin St. Louis updated on this Committee. Discussed the diversity and inclusion statement. One area that this Committee is focused on is representing cultural diversity in Canada. See submitted committee report.

**Approved Provider Committee** – Theresa Fraser updated on this Committee. Former Chair Tina Katsikeros continues to be a resource to the Committee.

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**Marketing Committee** – Chair is Nicole Perryman, but committee member Caileigh Flannigan updated. Focusing on website development, Ambassador program, and social media presence. This Committee needs members. See submitted committee report.

**Publications Committee** – Chair Ricky McIntyre and Theresa Fraser are working on the next publication for Summer/Fall 2022.

***Motion “To accept all of the Committee Reports”.***

Moved by Don Fasciano.                      Seconded by Connie Young.                      Motion Carried.

## **10) New Business**

Theresa thanked outgoing Board Members for their dedication and commitment to CAPT.

Approval of the 2022-2023 Slate for Board of Directors: Theresa Fraser (Outgoing President), Nicole Perryman (Vice President), Helena Kogas (Treasurer), Kenda Riggs (Secretary), Lindsay Crowe, Justine Elliot, Caileigh Flannigan, Ineke Guadagnin, Jodie Hiebert, Ricky McIntyre, Kevin St. Louis, Hannah Sun-Reid

***Motion “To accept 2022-2023 Slate of Board Members”.***

Moved by Jodie Hiebert.                      Seconded by Caileigh Flannigan.                      Motion Carried.

## **11) CAPT Donated Prize Draws**

“I Am” Book – Winner Carmelo Diano

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“I Feel, I Can” Book – Winner Stephani Rabenstein

“The Embodied Brain and Sandtray Therapy” – Winner Joy Goodman

“Teleplay and Virtual Care Book” – Winner Nicole Perryman

“Assessment Book” – Winner Stephanie Ng

Sand Trays Etc. – Winner Onessa Robertson

## **12) Adjournment**

To conclude, Theresa had CAPT members post one hope for the 2022-2023 year. On behalf of the Board of Directors and CAPT, Theresa reiterated a deep appreciation to everyone. Theresa thanked all members for attending the AGM, and for their commitment to CAPT.

***Motion “To adjourn the CAPT AGM”.***

Moved by Krysteli Needham.                      Seconded by Jodie Hiebert.                      Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:  
Kenda Riggs, MSW, RSW