February 10, 2013	February Conference Call
1. Meeting Minutes	❖ Please contact Michelle Luchini at Luchini.5@buckeyemail.osu.edu if you have any corrections or additions to make to these notes. ❖ See Below for Attendance
2. SSIG Elections 2013	❖ INTERESTED in running for a position on the OPTA SSIG Board or wanting to nominate another student?!??!?! Please go to the link below for the nomination form http://associationdatabase.com/aws/OPTA/input_form/display_form_01_show?include_back_button=true&form_no=51. ❖ Nominations will close 3 weeks before the conference and voting is set to open 1 week before the Annual Symposium on April 11-13.
3. Facebook	❖ Great work advertising the OPTA SSIG Facebook group! ○ Membership has increased by 2 members!!! ○ BUT, Keep advertising to your students and new members!!!
4. Google Calendar	❖ NEW OPTA SSIG GOOGLE CALENDAR!!! ❖ Calendar will let students see all OPTA events, volunteer opportunities, & conferences. ❖ Visit the page by going to this Link: https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=optassig%40gmail.com ❖ For those with a Google Calendar themselves, look to the flyer for further directions on how to request adding the OPTA Calendar to yours.
5. Student Challenge	❖ DOES YOUR SCHOOL HAVE A TEAM?!?!?! ○ Teams are 1st come, 1st serve and we are only accepting 1 team per school unless there are still positions available closer to the event. ○ Click on the link below to register your team: http://associationdatabase.com/aws/OPTA/input_form/display_form_01_show?form_no=52. ❖ The Student Challenge is a Jeopardy style game, where school teams complete against one another. ❖ The event takes place on Friday night of the Annual Symposium. Winners receive a trophy, plaque at the OPTA office, a gift card for the team, and this year's bragging rights. ❖ Results from the recent PTA survey indicated a need for increased marketing and education on the event!!!!
6.Speaker Topics & LUNCH	❖ 3 out of 4 of our speakers have been confirmed for the Annual Symposium. ○ Dr. Richard Willy = Running Assessment & Tx (Gait retraining for common injuries) ○ Dr. Matt Brings = Residency/Fellowship, will also be brining a panel with him ○ Dr. Reinthal & Dr. Espy for Wii Rehab ○ 4th Speaker Topic = PT needs in the Military (in the process of confirmation) ❖ Annual Symposium Lunch = It is OFFICIAL!! This year we will be conducting "Lunch with Leadership" with a twist, breaking up students into PT sections of their interest (ortho, sports, AC, neuro, peds…)
7. Core Ambassador Activities	❖ Those interested in the CORE AMBASSADOR position will get the chance to work one-on-one with J.J. for a couple of months after being elected to better understand and transition into the position.
8. Journal Club	❖ If you or any classmate is interested in presenting an article at the next Conference Call, please contact Bethany Stidd through our Facebook group or email her at bs167506@ohio.edu.
9. Upcoming Events	❖ **Google calendar:** ○ **https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=optassig%40gmail.com** ❖ **Reminder to email me pictures of student involvement: taylo2a2@mail.uc.edu**

	❖ Student Essay Contest: be a student usher at the Annual House of Delegates (HOD) – **DEADLINE EXTENDED!!** ○ The OPTA will **provide travel and hotel costs** for one student to serve as an usher for the APTA House of Delegates **June 24-26, 2013 in Salt Lake City, Utah**. The student usher will travel with and be mentored by OPTA's 15 delegates and staff! ▪ Your cover letter and essay must be postmarked by **February 28, 2013**. http://associationdatabase.com/aws/OPTA/pt/sd/news_article/66152/_PARENT/layout_details/false ❖ APTA Innovation Summit! ○ http://www.apta.org/InnovationSummit/ ▪ Mail-in Registration deadline: February 8, 2013 ▪ Online Registration deadline: March 6, 2013 ○ OPTA Student member invited: http://associationdatabase.com/aws/OPTA/pt/sd/news_article/67177/_PARENT/layout_details/false ❖ OPTA Award nominations due February 15! ○ http://associationdatabase.com/aws/OPTA/pt/sd/news_article/68593/_PARENT/layout_details/false ❖ **Student Leaders Wanted!** ○ The Ohio Physical Therapy Association Student Special Interest Group (SSIG) is seeking OPTA member nominations for positions in the SSIG Executive Committee. Each term is 1 year. We are accepting self-nominations, peer nominations, and faculty nominations. ○ If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact: ▪ Seth Oberst at oberstseth@gmail.com ▪ Kelly Moore, PT, DPT at kelly.j.moore@gmail.com ▪ Alysha Walter PT, DPT at acwalterdpt@gmail.com ❖ Federal Advocacy Forum – April 14-16 in Washington DC → registration now open ○ Student Essay Contest: 2 student winners will have their flight, hotel, and registration costs covered by OPTA ▪ Deadline: Friday, March 1, 2013 ▪ http://associationdatabase.com/aws/OPTA/pt/sd/news_article/69125/_PARENT/layout_details/false ❖ OPTA 2013 Annual Conference – April 11-13 ○ Doubletree Worthington, 175 Hutchinson Avenue, Columbus, OH 43235
Next Call	❖ **Sunday, March 3, 2013 @ 9pm!!!** ❖ **Join us as we continue planning and decision making for this year's Annual Symposium!!!**

Attendance

OPTA Student Liaisons/ ACCEs & Faculty

- Alysha Walter (*in attendance 2/10/13*)
- Kelly Moore (*in attendance 2/10/13*)
- Tonya Apke

Officers

- Andrea Johnson (OU) – PT Co-chair
- Andrea Keller (Clark St) – PTA Co-chair
- Bethany Stidd (OU) – Website & Journal Club Coordinator
- JJ Kuczynski (Walsh) – CORE Ambassador
- Seth Oberst (OU) – Vice President/Treasurer
- Michelle Luchini (OSU) – Secretary
- Alyssa Taylor (UC) – Activities Coordinator

PT/PTA Student Reps

- Joshua Miller (YSU)
- Brian Petite (Bradford)
- Katherine Long (Walsh)
- Myra Dvoroznak (CSU)
- Megan Heiser (OSU)
- Kristin Rogacki (OU)
- Colleen Martin (CSU)
- Shannon Hill (Sinclair)
- Jenna Bartsokas (Walsh)
- Rebekah Rocheleau (Sinclair)