



CHET STERNFELS PT, DPT

CANDIDATE FOR PPS TREASURER

CHET STERNFELS PT, DPT, HAS BEEN CO-OWNER OF ADVANCE PHYSICAL THERAPY SINCE 2003. IN 1998, HE RECEIVED A MASTER'S IN PHYSICAL THERAPY FROM LSU MEDICAL CENTER AND A SERIES SEVEN LICENSE THROUGH THE FINANCIAL INDUSTRY REGULATION AUTHORITY THAT ALLOWED HIM TO SERVE AS A STOCKBROKER AND LICENSED FINANCIAL PLANNER. IN 2012, HE OBTAINED A TRANSITIONAL DOCTORATE OF PHYSICAL THERAPY FROM EVIDENCE IN MOTION COMPLETING THE EXECUTIVE PROGRAM IN PRACTICE MANAGEMENT.



CANDIDATE STATEMENT

I would like to thank the nominating committee for slating me as a candidate for Treasurer. I am humbled at the thought of serving as a Board member for a profession I believe in. I feel fortunate to have a family and coworkers who are willing to sacrifice as I pursue something I believe in.

I have been blessed to be around small business my entire life. My father's family business was established 80 years ago and my individual practice in 2003. Lessons learned from my family and private practice prepare me to serve as Treasurer. Also, the knowledge and mentorship I received working as a financial planner for Ameriprise Financial gives me the confidence to continue to build on the accomplishments of our previous Treasurer. The financial industry taught me the importance of having sound financial strategies and principals and how to develop and apply them. I believe that the understanding of financial markets and the importance of budgeting qualify me to successfully serve our section as Treasurer.

Although my experience with PPS on a national level has been short, I have always served in leadership roles at the local level for our profession and other civic organizations. Being civic-minded locally has given me great professional satisfaction. Helping our profession grow on a national level would be an extremely rewarding opportunity. I have had the good fortune of serving on the PPS Finance Committee the last three years. As an administrator, owner, and practicing clinician, I understand what is important and vital for our growth as a profession. Serving on the Finance Committee has been a great leaning experience on how PPS is structured and what the goals of our section are. Knowing how hard this organization works for and supports private practice specifically, I am now, more than ever, excited for our profession's future.



I believe the next term as Treasurer will be extremely important. I believe it will require tremendous energy and dedication for whoever has the honor of serving as Treasurer. Sound financial strategies will be needed as we continue to push toward the mainstream of health care. Increased utilization of our services, independence as autonomous clinicians and business owners, and positioning our section within APTA are just a few obstacles and challenges we will need to address. Having financial resources available to address these and any other as a profession will be vital. Positioning ourselves with the proper resources will help grow PPS for the next three years and beyond.

I professionally or personally would not claim to have all the answers. I do however know I would devote the time and energy required to help our profession through any obstacle. I do believe my ability to understand the financial climate, my ability to work with people, and my background prepares me to help lead our section. It would be an honor to serve PPS and our members. I feel professionally I have the ability and time to devote to this position. I humbly ask you to consider allowing me the opportunity to serve as Treasurer. Thank you.