Hey everyone! My name is David Farsetti and I am continuing in my role as your AMTAS President for 2019. I am currently a senior at the University of Louisville, my primary instrument is the flute, and I will be starting my internship in the summer at the University of Louisville Hospital. In my role as President, I will continue to work closely with professionals and students alike so as to foster increased interconnectivity amongst the music therapy community. Students are the future of our profession and I feel it is important we play a part in the national context of our profession. I look forward to what our new board can accomplish this year!

Fiona Riso, President-Elect

Hello AMTAS! My name is Fiona Riso and I'll be your new President-Elect this year! I am a junior at Temple University and my primary instrument is clarinet. As President-Elect I'll be responsible for appointing Student Committee Representatives, as well as working with the President on his duties to work with the entire board to help AMTAS work for students throughout the nation. I am so excited to help connect students and professionals in every region, and to work with such an amazing group of people for the next year!
Hello AMTAS! My name is Judy Nie and I am your Vice President for this upcoming year! I am currently a junior at Berklee College of Music and my primary instrument is the piano. My duties for this year are to update the social media platforms and the AMTAS website to share important information about scholarships and other events. I am very humbled and grateful for this opportunity to serve and work with students from all over the country! I look forward to an exciting year of collaboration and learning, and meeting all of you at the National Conference!

Judy Nie, Vice-President

Hello, AMTAS! My name is Jordan Marshall and I am your secretary for this year! I am currently a senior at Drury University, and my primary instrument is voice. I will be starting my internship this summer at “A Place to Be” in Middleburg, VA. As secretary, my roles include taking minutes for all of the EB meetings, as well as the AMTAS meetings, and I also manage the newsletters and blog posts for AMTAS. I am thrilled that I get a chance to work with this incredible board, and I can’t wait to see all that we can accomplish, with YOUR help! I can’t wait to see what this year has in store!

Jordan Marshall, Secretary

Hello, AMTAS! I’m Rachel Gan, the AMTAS Treasurer for this year. My primary instrument is piano, and I'm a senior at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. After I finish coursework this May, I'll start my clinical internship in June at Children's Health in Dallas. As Treasurer, I have been "entrusted with the custody and supervision of the financial affairs of AMTAS." My responsibilities include creating and tracking the AMTAS budget, providing financial reports, and managing scholarships. I look forward to working with AMTA and your regional treasurers to promote scholarships and create fundraisers to benefit YOU, my fellow music therapy students! Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you and our field in this capacity.

Rachel Gan, Treasurer
Hello AMTAS! My name is Thalia Dimitriou and I am your current Parliamentarian for the upcoming year! Hailing from St. Louis, Missouri, I am a current senior at a Florida State University and my primary instrument is voice. I am extremely excited to be a part of AMTAS on the national level and represent you in this capacity! As your Parliamentarian I plan to continue updating our bylaws, uphold Robert’s Rules during all meetings, and get in touch with students and Parliamentarians from across the nation to make sure that there is involvement and consistency in our bylaws and procedures. I look forward to the upcoming year and all that it will bring!

Thalia Dimitriou, Parliamentarian

Hello, I'm Jeffrey Wolfe, the Student Advisor for AMTAS. I'm a board certified music therapist and the Director of Community Programs and Financial Operations at Institute for Therapy through the Arts, located in Chicago. My role as student advisor includes Chairing the Student Affairs Advisory Board, and coordinating the AMTAS executive board and each regions student advisor and president. This past year marked the 40th anniversary of AMTAS. We celebrated and recognized founders and AMTAS leaders. I am thrilled that this celebration sparked energy amongst our members and new initiatives. The national Passages conference will focus on the passage into internship and becoming a new professional, and greater mentorship for students across the nation. The regional student advisors are highly active in supporting each regional AMTAS and creating an atmosphere of mutual respect and safety for all students. It is our goal to support students in addressing their concerns and supporting individual and educational growth. Finally, I look forward to student submissions for the E. Thayer Gaston Research Competition. Each research paper submission is eligible for a $500 award and possible publication in the Journal of Music Therapy. With that being said, I'm excited to meet you all very soon!

Jeffrey Wolfe, MT-BC, Advisor

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Student Affairs Advisory Board and AMTAS is to provide guidance, support, and knowledge to the American Music Therapy Association Students and regional boards, be the communication liaison between students and their faculty, act as an educational resource concerning members learning and administration of bylaws, and uphold rules, regulations, implementation of charges, ethical guidelines, and standards of practice.