

# Meeting Notes

## Marriage & Family Therapy Advisory Committee

for the meeting held on

**Friday, November 16, 2018**

This is an informal working document used by the Marriage and Family Therapy Advisory Committee and its assigned administrative staff in preparing final meeting agendas and meeting minutes. Information represented in this document is draft only and should not be posted.

### OPENING PROCESS

Meeting called to order at 8:12 am.

Present: K. Tyner, K. Steele, C. Guillotte, R. Cathey

Welcome / Introduction: Dr. Kelly Tyner to Board and MFTAC

Absent: None

Staff: None

Guests: Dr. David Spruill, Mark Reynaud

### APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA

MVD: K. Steele SCND: K. Tyner

Agenda approved with   x   without    amendment

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

MVD: K. Steele SCND: K. Tyner

## REPORT ON NATIONAL EXAM

C. Guillotte reported that since the previous meeting:

( 6 ) persons requested packets for the national exam;

( 2 ) persons passed the national exam;

( 4 ) person failed the national exam.

Organizations that offer a MFT exam prep course are:

Family Solutions Institute

Therapists Development Center.com (\$350) - 95% pass rate

There is an MFT Exam prep app to download

Discussed downward trend in numbers. 688 Active; 74 Lapsed; 32 Expired. 1. Would it help to have workshop on systems? Would it help to offer a training at the conference? Could we bring in an exam prep person as an exhibitor and presenter?

Discussed barriers to licensure as it relates to the 500 hours required in MFT graduate programs as opposed to the 280 required in Counseling programs. (Kathy to look into how other MFT programs in other states manage this)

## CORRESPONDENCE R. Cathey

None Received

## WORK GROUP REPORTS

Work Group Assignments

Kelly - Legislative

Claude - Licensure and Supervision Work Group

Kathy - Rules/Policy

**LICENSURE & SUPERVISION REPORT**

1. The renewal period ended on December 31, 2018 We need to get data from Jamie to have those numbers put into the table below.
2. Update on the PLMFT renewal period that ended on October 31, 2018.
3. ? requested packets to take exam, x passed & x failed
4. How many MFTs up for renewal have retired and/or are nearing retirement?

<b><u>PLMFT Registration</u></b>	Applied	Approved	Denied
Section 1 Totals	1	1	0
Staff Review:	1	1	0
MFTAC Review	0	0	0

	Applied	Approved	Denied
Section 2 Totals	6	6	0
Staff Review	6	6	0
MFTAC Review	0	0	0

Section 3 Totals	3	3	0
Staff Review	3	3	0
MFTAC Review:	0	0	0

Changing Practice Setting Totals	3	3	0
Staff Review	3	3	0
MFTAC Review	0	0	0

\*This number included in Section 2 Total

Changing Supervisor Totals	1	1	0
Staff Review	1	1	0
MFTAC Review	0	0	0

\*This number is also included in Section 3 Total

Licensure Applications	Applied	Approved	Denial
Totals	1	1	0
Staff Review	1	1	0
MFTAC Review	0	0	0

<b>Approved Supervisor Applications</b>	Applied	Approved	Denial
<b><u>Registered Supervisor Candidate Totals</u></b>	1	1	0
Staff Review	1	1	0
<u>MFTAC</u>	0	0	0
<b><u>Approved Supervisor Totals</u></b>	1	0	1
<u>Staff Review</u>	0	0	0
<u>MFTAC Review</u>	1	0	1

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LMFT Renewals (as of 1/8/19)	Renewed	Non-Renewed
LMFT (581 eligible)	475	106
Staff Review	0	0
MFTAC Review	0	0
PLMFT Renewal	Renewed	Non-Renewed
Staff Review	9	6
MFTAC Review	0	0
LMFT Supervisor	0	0
Staff Review	0	0
MFTAC Review	0	0

- Contact Jamie about tracking demographic information regarding numbers of Part 1, 2, 3 applicants including name of university, and where they are living and will practice at time of application. (As of January 2015.) Penny has asked Jamie to begin that project. **Jamie will work on this for our September 2018 meeting. (Tabled until November 2018)**
- **MFTAC will create a plan of action around increasing the number of Supervisors in areas where there are few LMFT Supervisors.**  
 David Spruill has a goal to recruit 20 new supervisors during this year. He also hopes to do regional and multistate recruiting.

## MFT RULES WORK GROUP

**CHAIR: K Steele**

1. Final changes edits were made to Rules and submitted to Jamie.
2. Penny asked Jamie to post a rule reminder and explanation to remind LMFTs and LMFT Supervisors about the LMFT Orientation and Refresher courses will count for LMFT Renewal and LMFT Supervisor Renewal. **Ron** will continue to work on this, discussing with Jamie location of information on the LPC Board website.
3. Update on **Ron's** research into the numbers of LMFTs/PLMFTs and dual licensees in the state to understand how and if there is a benefit to the option of a joint application for LMFTs and LPCs. Will a surveymonkey be sent out? Ron is working with the Finance department at La. Tech to understand the cost efficiency and will give more information March meeting.

## LEGISLATIVE WORK GROUP

**CHAIR: R. Cathey, K. Tyner**

1. Report by David Spruill, President of LAMFT. As of January 1, 2019, LAMFT is a Geographic Interest Network (GIN). AAMFT will manage conferences, legislative support, and other financial matters that have been difficult for state divisions to manage. AAMFT has identified both Foundational Legislative Goals and Secondary Legislative Goals. AAMFT would step in to assist and support the GIN with foundational goals. LAMFT will continue to use Eric Sunstrum as lobbyist. Family TEAMS. Part of the AAMFT restructuring. LAMFT has a liaison between the TEAM and the GIN. LAMFT board has changed. Smaller board now. President, Past President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Liaison. Dave mentions that he is looking for more committee work to keep board members from being overwhelmed. 2019 State conference theme: "Looking Back, Moving Forward". Looking at different tracks and a different format. Dave suggests that he is hopeful that the 2019 conference will happen before school lets out for the summer. There will be a conference. LAMFT after dark party that would start at 10:00 p.m. so that people can socialize and connect. Also looking at a pre-conference option as well. Ron suggests that people are interested in certifications that they might be able to get while at the conference. Kathy suggests the importance of having EBTs for having an edge in the job market. Dave asked that the refresher course be offered by the board again at the next conference. Increasing the number of supervisor. Dave asking collaboration in order to address this.

Increasing membership. We have done a poor job of marketing up to this point. Finding someone more savvy in this area.

Dave suggests put together a consortium with the goal of putting a certificate program for licensure with the intent of increasing licensure numbers. Asking MFTAC to be involved.

### **POLICY & PROCEDURE WORK GROUP**

**CHAIR: R. Cathey / K. Steele**

1. Rubric for evaluating PLMFTs and LMFT Supervisors. Please add any additional Rubrics to the folder. Table until after Draft Rules are approved.

### **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Review the tracking demographic information regarding numbers of Part 1, 2, 3 applicants including name of university, and where they are living and will practice at time of application.  
(As of January 2015.)
2. Discussion of rubric for evaluating PLMFTs and LMFT Supervisors. (See under Policy and Procedures)

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Additional Comments / Updates from David Spruill, LMFT, President.
2. MFTAC will create a plan of action around increasing the number of Supervisors in areas where there are few LMFT Supervisors.
3. Discuss putting a rules explanation on the 2 psychopathology courses that are now required for LMFTs as of January 2018. (Ron to work on this)
4. Supervisor reciprocity - see email from 10/5/18

5. Penny recommended that MFTAC members whose terms are expiring write some archival history to be placed on the drive. This will help in responding to emails (Janette Sturm-Mexic) regarding rules relating to past legislation.
6. We also need to make sure that Jamie has a copy of all of our Meeting Notes and Minutes for her reference and to comply with open meeting laws.
7. Election of MFTAC officers.
  - a. Chairman: Ron Cathey
  - b. Vice-Chairman: Claude Guillotte
  - c. Secretary: Kelly M. Tyner

R. Cathey was elected acting chair of MFTAC Committee until elections in January 2019.

#### ITEMS TO REPORT IN BOARD MEETING

Chairman will provide the MFTAC report.

Items to be reported:

1. Introduction of Dr. Kelly Tyner
2. New Officers of MFTAC
3. Licensure report (Claude)
4. New structure of LMFT Association: Geographic Interest Network (GIN)

#### CHAIR ASSIGNMENTS

1. General Assignments
2. Specific Assignments

#### PROPOSED POLICIES & PROCEDURES



1. Clarify credit for LMFT Renewal & Supervisor Orientation & Refresher Courses. - R. Cathey

**PUBLIC OR NON COMMITTEE BOARD MEMBER COMMENT**

Clarification of the process of the selection of MFTAC board replacement. We may want to look at selection process of LCA, which has recently been updated.

Mark Reynaud asked about training in core competencies. Discussed training supervisors to evaluate core competencies. This has been an ongoing discussion among the MFTAC.

Kathy asks Mark to look into the core competencies. What would be some key points to include. Also discussed giving the supervisee the ability to evaluate the supervisor related to some of the core competencies. Core competencies could be broken down so that they could be focused on at different points in the supervision process.

Mark asking about whether or not board members getting CEHs for attending board meetings. He suggests that CEUs could be offered to provisionally licensed individuals for attending board meetings. If there is an incentive, individuals may come. This would have to come as a rule change.

**ADJOURNMENT/SUSPENSION OF AGENDA**

MVD: K. Steele      SCND: Kelly M. Tyner

Motion Approved

Adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m. The next meeting is set for Friday, March 15, 2019.

