

MFTAC Meeting Minutes

March 15, 2019

Baton Rouge, LA

8:00 - 10:45 a.m.

Meeting called to order at 8:05 a.m.

Present/Absent (V for Visitor; S for Staff)

Ron Cathy	P	Claude Guilloitte	P
Kathy Steele	P	Kelly Tyner	P
David Spruill LAMFT	V	Jamie Doming	S

Item	Discussion/Conclusions	Motions/Recommendations	Person Responsible	Target Date
Approval of Final Agenda		Motion: K. Steele Second: C. Guilloitte Approved unanimously without amendments		
Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting(s)	Minutes from January 18, 2019 meeting have not been finalized at this time. Waiting for Kelly to get access to the Drive.		Kelly	5/17/19
Report on National Exam	As of January:			

<p>C. Guilloitte</p>	<p>(5) persons requested packets for the national exam; (0) persons passed the national exam; (4) person failed the national exam.</p> <p>Discussed pass rate and the impact this may have on licensure.</p> <p>Organizations that offer a MFT exam prep course are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crunch Time Exam Prep (\$180 for 30 day access) • Family Solutions Institute • Therapists Development Center.com (\$350) - 95% pass rate • There is an MFT Exam prep app to download <p>Dave indicates that representatives of Crunch Time will be present at next year's LAMFT conference. At this year's LAMFT conference, a PLMFT will be gifted access to Crunch Time.</p> <p>Discussed barriers to licensure as it relates to the 500 hours required in MFT graduate programs as opposed to the 280 hours required in counseling programs.</p> <p>As of January, there are 475 active MFT</p>	<p>Kathy to look into how other MFT programs and licensure boards in other states manage this.</p>	<p>Kathy</p>
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	licenses; 106 MFT licenses have lapsed. Discussed efforts that could be made address those licenses that are in a lapse status and are not yet expired.			
Correspondence R. Cathy	Email from Jannette Sturm-Mexic, Ph D: Question related to supervision hours obtained during graduate program. Currently, there is no requirement of supervisor credentials.	Email response to be sent	R. Cathy	
Work Group Reports		<u>Work Group Assignments</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kelly - Legislative ● Claude - Licensure and Supervision ● Kathy - Rules/Policy ● Ron - Rules/Policy 		
Licensure & Supervision C. Guillotte	The renewal period ended on December 31, 2018. We need to get updated data from Jamie Dave Spruill (LAMFT) has a goal to recruit 20 new supervisors during this year. He also has hopes to accomplish regional and multi-state recruiting. PLMFT workshop at LAMFT conference this year. Supervisors will be encouraged to attend. The hope is that the supervision	See Licensure Reports attached at the end of these minutes MFTAC will create a plan of action around increasing the number of supervisors in areas where there are few LMFT supervisors.		

	<p>process can be clarified.</p> <p>Also discussed offering the supervision course regionally throughout the state. The course would be offered over the course of a couple of weekends.</p> <p>Dave asked for information regarding where supervisors are located throughout the state. This would be beneficial when making the determination as to where there is a need for an increase in supervisors.</p> <p>Discussed barriers to connecting supervisors and supervisees.</p>		
<p>MFT Rules</p> <p>K. Steele</p>	<p>Rules related to an inactive license status were not promulgated as the current law conflicts with this. Law indicates that no one can hold a lapsed/inactive status for more than 2 years. Jamie suggests that that internal policies would be an acceptable way to manage this issue as opposed to writing a rule. Discussed the differences between a policy and a rule. A policy offers more flexibility.</p> <p>Form for Inactive Status to be added to the website.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of an internal policy to address Endorsement • Policy will be submitted to board for approval 	<p>Ron & Jamie</p> <p>Jamie</p>

	<p>Kathy points out that an individual may not request inactive status if their license is currently lapsed. Discussed benefits of inactive status including provisional license requirements are put on hold, fees are not required, and continuing education is not required.</p> <p>Also discussed requiring payment of backfees and meeting past CE requirements when licensees who are in a lapsed status request reactivation of their license.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>The research related to cost efficiency with the LA Tech Finance department has not been forthcoming. What are other options?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discussed offering a discount for applying for both licenses.• Dave suggests asking for feedback or doing a poll at the LAMFT conference.• Kahoots app discussed. Dave Spruill to look into this for LAMFT.• This will be added to the PLMFT/graduate student workshop at LAMFT. Also discussed addressing			
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	<p>this at the board/MFTAC update at LAMFT. Ron to organize questions to be asked and will follow up with other MFTAC members for feedback.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will a surveymonkey be sent out? 	<p>Research utilization of Kahoots app for gathering information and determining interest.</p> <p>David indicates that this can be utilized during the PLMFT/graduate student workshop at LAMFT. Also discussed addressing this at the board/MFTAC update at LAMFT.</p> <p>Ron to organize questions to be asked and will follow up with other MFTAC members for feedback</p> <p>What price break would be significant enough to garner interest?</p>	<p>David Spruill</p> <p>Ron</p>	
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<p>Legislative R. Cathey & K. Tyner</p>	<p>There are no legislative matters at this time.</p>	<p>Report from David Spruill (From January 2019 MFTAC meeting): As of 1-1-19 LAMFT is a Geographic Interest Group (GIN). AAMFT will manage conferences, legislative support, and other financial matters that have been difficult for state divisions to manage.</p> <p>AAMFT has identified both Foundational Legislative Goals and Secondary Legislative Goals. AAMFT would step in to assist and support the GIN with Foundational Goals.</p> <p>LAMFT will continue to use Eric Sunstrum as lobbyist.</p> <p>Family TEAMS. Part of the AAMFT restructuring. LAMFT has a liaison between the TEAM and the GIN</p> <p>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.</p> <p>2019 state conference theme: "Looking Back, Moving Forward" Looking at different tracks and different format.</p>	
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	<p>Increasing the number of supervisors: Dave asks for collaboration in order to address this.</p> <p>Increasing membership: We have done a poor job of marketing up to this point. We need to find someone more savvy in this area.</p> <p>Dave suggests putting together a</p>	<p>Dave suggests that he is hopeful that the 2019 conference will happen before school lets out for the summer.</p> <p>LAMFT after dark party that would start at 10 pm so that people can socialize and connect.</p> <p>Also looking at a pre-conference option as well</p> <p>Ron suggests that people are interested in certifications that they might be able to get while at the conference.</p> <p>Kathy suggests the importance of having EBT's for having an edge in the job market.</p> <p>Dave asked that the refresher course be offered by the board again at the conference.</p>		
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	<p>consortium with the goal of putting a certificate program for licensure with the intent of increasing licensure numbers. Asking MFTAC to be involved in this. Ron to ask Jamie for an updated list of current supervisors and locations within the state.</p>			
<p>Policy & Procedure R. Cathey & K. Steele</p>	<p>Rubric for evaluating PLMFTs and LMFT supervisors. Please add any additional rubrics to the folder</p>	<p>This is tabled until after draft rules are approved</p>		
<p>Old Business</p>	<p>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.)</p> <p>Discussion of rubric for evaluating PLMFTs and LMFT Supervisors. (See under Policy and Procedures). Kathy indicates that she does not see anything being done with this as it would depend heavily on well trained supervisors and use of live supervision which is not currently required.</p>			

<p>New Business</p>	<p>LCA and LAMFT Conference Presentation: Diane Austin. Ron submitted information for a presentation at LCA.</p> <p>Dave Spruill for LAMFT. Dave Spruill asked for a board update by MFTAC at the LAMFT conference during the lunch hour on Sunday, April 28, 2019. Kathy, Claude, and Ron to present.</p> <p>MFTAC will create a plan of action around increasing the number of Supervisors in areas where there are few LMFT Supervisors.</p> <p>Gather information regarding location of current supervisors</p> <p>Discussed ways to assist provisional licensed individuals with supervisors in their area.</p> <p>Review website after launch</p> <p>Kahoot poll at LAMFT conference regarding finding a supervisor that can provide dual supervision.</p> <p>Advertise the need for supervisors at the conference</p>	<p>MFTAC Board members to be present</p>	<p>K. Steele R. Cathey C. Guilloffe</p> <p>4/28/19</p>
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	<p>Research experienced therapists who could be encouraged to see supervisor status.</p> <p>Adding supervisor status to conference ID tag</p> <p>Discussed board members wearing a sticker or button regarding asking about becoming a supervisor</p> <p>Discussed possibly reaching out to new supervisors in order to be supportive.</p> <p>Adding a button in the online application process to assist provisional licensees with finding a supervisor.</p> <p>Supervisor reciprocity: see email from 10/5/18</p>	<p>Discussed developing a rules explanation (internal explanation for staff) on the 2 psychopathology courses that are now required for LMF'Ts as of January 2018</p>	<p>Ron</p> <p>Ron</p>	<p>5/17/19</p> <p>5/17/19</p>
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	<p>Increasing the number of supervisors: Dave asks for collaboration in order to address this.</p> <p>Increasing membership: We have done a poor job of marketing up to this point. We need to find someone more savvy in this area.</p> <p>Clarification of the process of selection of MFTAC board members</p>	<p>Dave suggests putting 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 in this.</p> <p>Ron to ask Jamie for an updated list of current supervisors and locations within the state.</p> <p>We may want to look at the selection process that LCA uses. This has been updated recently.</p> <p>Referring this to Dave Spruill Would like to have this in place prior to the next board nomination.</p>	Dave Spruill	<p>Items to Report to LPC Board</p>	<p>Licensure Report (C. Guilloitte)</p> <p>Rewriting endorsement section of rule as a policy for internal use.</p>		
<p>Public/Non-Co mmittee Member Comments</p>	<p>Clarification of the process of the selection of MFTAC board replacement. We may want to look</p>						

	<p>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.</p>			
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Adjournment/ Suspension of Agenda			MVD: K. Steele SCND: K. Tyner Motion Approved		
Next Meeting			Meeting Adjourned at 10:43 a.m. Friday, May 17, 2019		

MFT Licensure Reports

Claude Guillotte

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

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

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

	Applied	Approved	Denied
Changing Practice Setting Totals	2	2	0
Staff Review	2	2	0
MFTAC Review	0	0	0

*This number included in Section 2 Total

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

*This number is also included in Section 3 Total

Licensure Applications	Applied	Approved	Denial
Totals	2	2	0
Staff Review	2	2	0
MFTAC Review	0	0	0

Approved Supervisor Applications	Applied	Approved	Denial

<u>Registered Supervisor Candidate Totals</u>	0	0	0
Staff Review	0	0	0
MFTAC	0	0	0
<u>Approved Supervisor Totals</u>	0	0	0
<u>Staff Review</u>	0	0	0
<u>MFTAC Review</u> Rule - 3317.A.	0	0	0

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
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