



MCA January 28, 2016 Board Meeting

- 1) 7:09pm, meeting began with Roll Call (Cathie). Attendees: Stephanie, Christian, Cathie, Sarah, Lisa, Marilyn, Michelle, Monica, Karol, Kierra, Ajita, Donna and Marsha
- 2) Housekeeping: Next month we will use both 800# call in number AND Adobe to facilitate a face-to-face conference call and reduce feedback loop and other technical difficulties. Christian will look at FreeConference.com

MCA Executive Committee

- 1) President Update (Stephanie) Stephanie and Christian were heading to Dallas to attend the ACA Southern Region Leadership Training Seminar.
 - a) Emerging Leadership Initiative: Sent out to MCA membership, may need some clarification so not slanted to PhD students over Master students. Executive Leadership (Pres, Past Pres, Pres Elect, Exec Dir., Treasurer and Secretary) will make selection by March 15. In the future, we expect a committee to review and vote on candidates.
 - b) ACA Update (Stephanie): Looking to cosponsor social at the ACA Annual Conference in Montreal, survey monkey sent out for inquiries. Looking at Johns Hopkins or Kay Rutledge, Former ACA President. Opportunity to network and strengthen bonds with ACA.
 - c) July Leadership Retreat (Stephanie) Currently vetting locations, looking at Annapolis, Baltimore at Johns Hopkins. Suggestion included Maritime Institution. This would be an opportunity to recharge with extensive leadership training
 - d) Strategic Initiatives Update—Prof Advocacy Task Force and Bullying/Interpersonal Violence Task Force (Christian): Continuing to filter needs and members to create task force, leading to long term initiative and design of tools for counselors to use in their tool box. Continuing collaboration with ACA members for mentoring and strengthening task force. Any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Christian directly.
 - e) State Division and Committee Update (Christian): Focus on strengthening membership, emerging leadership and creation of an awards committee in the next year
- 2) Finances (Sarah): Waiting for final itemized bill from hotel. Email and phone inquiries have been made. We are on good financial footing, with income of approximately \$21,000 for conference and expenses \$17,900. Waiting on PCI documentation of credit card transactions that need to be reported.
- 3) Update on 2016 and 2017 Conference (Christian): MCA Annual Conference will be held at the Baltimore Embassy Suites, keynote speaker is Courtland Lee, looking at a second keynote speaker as well. Consider this location before reserving 2017 location; previous discussions included return to Ocean City for 50th anniversary.

MCA Standing Committees

- 4) Newsletter (Michelle) Last issue was a very slim newsletter due to holidays. Next scheduled newsletter for April, no firm deadline yet.
- 5) PR/Social Media (Marybeth/Emily): E-blasts are very successful! A friendly reminder: board members to please complete your profile for so we can highlight you to our members. Cathie found some info that may be helpful to plan increased awareness or dovetail discussions, i.e. March is Self Harm Awareness Month
- 6) Membership (Steph): Need more support on this committee.
- 7) Advocacy (Stephanie): Partnering with LCPC-M to increase advocacy and collaborate with ACA Advocacy groups
- 8) Website: No update, still need to revamp and update website.
- 9) Bylaws (Christian): Approved by MCA members, now submitted to ACA for review. ACA will vote at annual conference whether to approve new by-laws.

MCA State Divisions

- 10) Division Updates
 - a) MAMCD (Donna) on track for Conference April 15, 2016 on Life Matters. Will need help in setting up online registration and payment portal.
 - b) MACES (Ajita) Added new members, found by-laws and looking forward to collaborating with MASERVIC for a conference
 - c) MSCA (Ed/Eunice)*Feb conf.
 - d) MASERVIC (Lisa) Conference and collaboration with MACES
 - e) MAMHC: no update
 - f) MCDA (Karol—liaison) Annual Conference April 28-29, desire to extend emerging leadership program. Feb 23 will be Skills Workshop at Frederick Co One-Stop highlighting LinkedIn. *Karol will be presenting at ACA in Montreal! Congrats to Karol, consider attending her seminar if possible.
 - g) MAMFC (Marsha): Conference ready to go, social after conference
 - h) Future MALGBTIC (Christian): Pending bylaws approved by ACA, we are ready to launch. Verifying active dual membership in our board members.

11) Next Board meeting Feb 25 via Adobe ***PLEASE SUBMIT SUGGESTIONS for a Time and Place for March Board Meeting by FEB 15!**

12) Plans for next MCA Social: Add to Conference after Baltimore Social?

8:02pm Meeting Adjourned, some continued discussion by board members on details of pending events.

Meetings for 2016:
Mar (TBD in person)
April 28 via Adobe
May 26 via Adobe
June/July (TBD in person, leadership retreat!)