Manitoba Coalition of Associations of Counselling Therapies June 10, 2016 – 7:00 pm

Present: Melody Newcomb (MTAM), Jacquelyne Wong (PACCP), Louise Blanchard (CCPA), Don Russell (PACCP), Stepan Bilynskyy (CASC), Kevin MacDonald (MAMFT), Barbara Woods (CCPA), Sarah Kroeker (MTAM)

Regrets: Minte Grienke (CCPA), Candace Reinsche (CCPA)

Meeting commenced at 7:20 pm (post-technical difficulties with Skype)

1) Plan September 18, 2016 Meeting

a) Where? There are two options:

- 1) Viscount Gort Hotel Barbara Woods reported that hosting the meeting at the Viscount Gort was successful for CCPA events in the past. It cost about \$250 for 25 people and included coffee, tea, water and cookies. Projectors and screens were available.
- 2) Misieracordia has some auditorium/meeting rooms. Stepan offered it as a second option. We would have to provide our own refreshments

b) Who? As many as possible?

- -Barbara McCallum stated 13 associations were represented in Saskatchewan and 11 associations were represented in Alberta.
 - -We should except between 20 and 40 attendants.

c) Questions for Barbara McCallum

In a previous email from Barbara McCallum she stated she will provide the following:

- -assembling the list for the invitees, and sending the invitations (?)
- -collecting RSVPs
- -providing her own laptop

Follow up questions include:

- -Are we inviting only Board members from associations or anyone?
- -Could the CCPA cover the cost of this event with their legislation support fund?
- -What does MCACT need to cover cost-wise for her stay?
- -Could Barbara provide MCACT with a copy of the invitation as well as a "Cole's notes" version of her presentation for any questions fielding we may need to do?
 - -Could Barbara review the MCACT MOU?
- -Could Barbara add the Drama Therapy, Group Psychotherapy and Spiritual Directors International associations to the invitee list?

d) Growing List of Associations to be invited to September 18, 2016

-The following list is compiled from Barbara McCallum's email and the suggestions of MCACT members:

- Child and Youth Care Worker's Association of Manitoba (CYCWAM)
- Manitoba Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (MAMFT)
- Manitoba School Counsellor's Association (MSCA)
- Association of Cooperative Counselling Therapists of Canada (ACCT)
- Canadian Addiction Counsellor Certification Federation (CACCF)
- Canadian Art Therapy Association (CATA)
- Canadian Association for Child and Play Therapy (CACPT)
- Canadian Association for Music Therapy (CAMT)
- Canadian Association for Spiritual Care (CASC)
- Canadian Career Information Association (CCIA)
- Canadian Professional Counsellors Association (CPCA)
- Professional Association of Christian Counsellors and Psychotherapists (PACCP)
- Drama Therapists Association
- Spiritual Directors International
- The Chartrands Louise Blanchard to pass on news when she hears from them
- Group Psychotherapists

e) How are we funding the event (and future costs)?

-this is a broader conversation that needs to occur. There is provision built into the MOU for cost sharing proportional to member associations total number of members.

Association Title (Current Membership Numbers)	% Including Manitoba Association for Marriage and Family Therapist from total.	% Excluding Manitoba Association for Marriage and Family Therapists from
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MTAM (40)	8.8	13.1
CCPA (105)	23	34.4
PACCP (90)	19.8	29.5
CASC (70)	15.4	23
MAMFT(150)	33	N/A

^{*}As MAMFT has to confirm endorsed participation in MCACT we wanted to create percentages without expecting their support.

-There may be funding in the CCPA for legislation costs. We will need to hear back from Barbara Woods as to whether this is a possible funding option.

-Stepan suggested a letter to MCACT Member associations regarding the proportion of costs they will need to assume for this event.

f) Hospitality for the September 18 meeting

-Sarah Kroeker offered to take this on. She will take care of name tags and necessary photocopying and day-of registration.

2) Memorandum of Understanding

- -Stepan noted an error in numbering which will be corrected.
- -Don Russell brought attention to two possible sticking points in the MOU.
- #12. delineates two different levels of coalition membership: voting and non-voting. Are we comfortable with this seperation?
- #16. This is a new point and broadens the participation in MCACT from committee members to include association members in working on related tasks.

3) Next Steps: What happens after September 18?

- -The following questions were brought up when considering the changes to MCACT post-September 18:
 - -Do or can new associations/people join us right away?
 - -Is there an application process? The Ontario coalition has an application.
 - The MOU does outline expectation of member associations.
 - Could the application be a bullet point "at-a-glance" of the MOU so that interested associations know what they need to become members?
- -For September MCACT should create an expression of interest application for associations to introduce themselves.
- -After the meeting MCACT should follow up with attendees in emails with next steps.
- -Sarah Kroeker suggested a September MCACT meeting to work through some of the structural concerns in MCACT before inviting more associations to the table. She will send out a Doodle to determine the best possible meeting time.
- -Kevin MacDonald asked if there is a critical number of practitioners at which point legislation becomes more feasible?

Meeting adjourned: 9:00 pm