2/11/2025 MIATSA Meeting

Present: Megan Pena, Marissa Smits, Benjamin Schreur, Staci Zonca, Ron Grooters, Bryan Funk, John Ulrich

1. January minutes review/approve
2. Welcome Bryan

**Motion to appoint Bryan Funk to MI-ATSA Board- Megan Pena; approved unanimously**

1. Trainings:
   1. Suggestions for training to further discuss:
      1. From ATSA:
         1. Developmental Pathways to Adolescent Sexually Abusive Behavior: Prevention and Intervention- Tom Leversee
         2. What is Normal, Anyway? Defining Normative Sexual Behavior- Wineke Smid-
            1. Stacy has contacted, waiting on response about possible virtual trainings?
         3. Writing Reports for Court/Testifying- Wescott
         4. Grievance-fueled violence; Intimate Partner Violence
         5. Sexual offending and “The Dark Triad”-
            1. Dr. Ramani, Oxford University, 6-day course, unlikely presenter
         6. ADHD or Autism Spectrum Disorder with sexual offending (2024 conference presenter)
            1. Megan to reach out
      2. Heather Moulden/Personality Disorders w this population:
         1. Scheduled for Friday, March 7th, 8:30-12:30
         2. Application for CEUs submitted
         3. Cost: $100 for non-members, $90 for members
         4. Registration opens 1/14/25 & ENDS 3/6/24
         5. Kris has been in contact with Heather to discuss tech needs (thank you Kris!)
         6. Number of registrants so far: 5
      3. Develop “Lunch and Learn”- shorter trainings focused on skill development?
         1. Discussion (led by board member) of a recent research article, for 1 training hour for MDOC contract (No CEUs)
         2. Lunch and Learn scheduled for 4/29/25 12pm-1pm; Marissa & Kris
         3. Future topics:
            1. Overview of treatment services for NGRI/Harborpointe (yes, summer?)
            2. Ethical considerations?
2. President letter sent out
3. Financial Update:
   1. Name change: Ron and Dave will contact Tom regarding IRS requirements
   2. Current balance $13,154.55 (Dec 2024)
4. HB5869 regarding juvenile registration- still in committee (6/27/24 appears to be last update)
5. Letter of Support for Michigan Citizens for Justice
   1. John working on final edits
6. Website updates (no updates)
   1. Logo changes? Marissa to work on developing logo proposal
   2. Social Media- Align with website; Facebook/LinkedIn
   3. Will not require state chapter members to be national members until clarified by ATSA.
7. Membership renewals are due—status update 2/11
8. Stacy met with MDOC’s SOMU regarding engaging supervisory agents in trainings:
   1. Noted barriers include financial barriers, travel restrictions, unique-ness
   2. Fall might be better timing for approvals
   3. Membership discounts; Agent-specific lunch and learns; training discounts;
   4. Desired topics: understanding assessments (Static/Stable/Acute; Look), best practices for supervision, learning more about mental health, secondary trauma, female sex offender dynamics, how to ask the difficult questions,

Next Meeting:

* 1. Tuesday, 3/11/25 1pm-2:00pm

Parking Lot/ideas that are tabled for later discussion:

1. *Cultural competency training (tabled for larger conference discussion?)*
   * 1. *Cost $5,500 per day, $3,000 per half day; possible online training?*
     2. *MDOC interest? Possible lack of interest from MDOC vendors?*
     3. *Marissa to get ATSA slides/presentation*
2. *Possibility for a professional conference planner (tabled for larger conference discussion?)*
   * 1. *Katy has a contact if we want to try this in the future, could also provide references*
     2. *Table discussion until begin conference planning*
   1. *Training on writing reports for Family Court*
      1. *John to reach out to lawyer/prosecutor for collaboration*
      2. *Possibility for a Lunch and Learn?*
   2. *Investment of financial resources -* From Jessica Yip: *“Investments – Stocks, bonds, money market funds, CDs, etc are totally reasonable and encouraged for investment opportunities.”*
   3. *Subcommittee discussion: What subcommittees do we propose? (Tabled)*
   4. *MDOC input on relevant trainings:* 
      * 1. *“Getting comfortable talking about sex”- Karen Holt (would need to be in person)*
           1. *Adding presentation from ICAC agents/MDOC Intelligence Unit?*
           2. *Add panel/round-table discussion?*
           3. *Inviting parole/probation agents*
        2. *Boundary maintenance and professional ethics – Kris Pence*
        3. *Attachment*
        4. *Trauma-informed Care (Jill Levenson has done a training on post-conviction trauma)*