

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING
17373 PERKINS ROAD
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70810**

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 15, 2012 BOARD MEETING

Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing was called to order at 9:00 am by C. MacMillan, on Wednesday, August 15, 2012, at the Louisiana State Board of Nursing, 17373 Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70810.

Roll Call: The following Board members were in attendance:
Carlene MacMillan, MN, RN, Vice President
Lucie Agosta, Ph.D., RNC,
Nancy Davis, MN,RN, NE-BC
Larry Haley, MSN, CRNA
Patricia Johnson, MN, RN, CNA, DNP
Sue Westbrook, DNS, RN
Robert Bass, M.D., Ex-Officio Member

The following Board members were not in attendance:
Demetrius Porche, DNS, APRN, Ph.D, FNP, President
Patricia Prechter, Ed.D, MSN, RN, Alternate Officer
Jolie Harris, MSN, RN
William LaCorte, M.D. Ex-Officio Member

The following staff members were in attendance:
Barbara Morvant, MN, RN, Executive Director
Rickie Callegan, Director of Investigations
Patricia Dufrene, MSN, RN, Director of Education and Licensure
Joy Peterson, BSN, RN, Director of Hearings
Cindi York, Director
E. Wade Shows, Board Attorney
Suzanne C. Armand, Court Reporter

Introduction: C. MacMillan established that a quorum of the Board was present.

Motion: by S. Westbrook, seconded, to reorder the agenda.

Voice Vote: L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes;
P, Johnson-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; S. Westbrook-yes

Motion Carried.

EDUCATION/EXAMINATION ISSUES

AGENDA ITEM 4.1

SAINT JOSEPH’S COLLEGE OF MAINE REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR GRADUATE PROGRAM TO OFFER CLINICAL EXPERIENCE IN LOUISIANA

On May 31, 2012 LSBN staff received proposal from St Joseph’s College in Maine to offer Graduate Clinical Experiences in Louisiana for APRN. Ms. Dufrene’s initial review reflected deficiencies in completeness. Supplemental information was requested.

On July 18, 2012 – LSBN staff received requested Supplemental Data

LSBN Staff reviewed proposal. Full report can be viewed on attached document

Ms. Dufrene requested that the Board approves the request.

Motion: by N. Davis, second, that the Board approves the request of the St. Joseph’s College of Maine to offer graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for the following Specialty/Concentrations: Family NP

Approval effective Fall 2012- Fall 2014 contingent on becoming compliant with Faculty licensure in Louisiana and submission of clinical affiliation and preceptor agreement, and reporting impact on LA approved schools utilizing the agency; and,

Continued adherence to and submission of required documentation regarding faculty qualifications, preceptor qualifications, clinical site appropriateness and approval and student criteria as outlined in LAC46: XVII.4509

Voice Vote: L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; P, Johnson-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; S. Westbrook-yes

Motion Carried.

AGENDA ITEM 4.2

REQUEST FROM NICHOLLS STATE UNIVERSITY FOR APPROVAL TO INITIATE A MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (MSN) PROGRAM IN ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIP WITH THE INTERCOLLEGIATE CONSORTIUM FOR A MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (ICMSN)

Ms. Dufrene reported that on June 13, 2012, the Board acknowledged Letter of Intent to initiate a Master’s of Science in Nursing (MSN) program in academic partnership with the Intercollegiate Consortium for A Master of Science in Nursing (ICMSN).

On July 16, 2012, LSBN received, from Nicholls State University College of Nursing & Allied Health, Department of Nursing, Notice of Intent/Proposal to Initiate a Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) Program in Academic Partnership with the Intercollegiate Consortium for a Master of Science in Nursing (ICMSN)

LSBN Staff reviewed proposal. Full report can be viewed on attached document.

Ms. Dufrene recommended approval.

Dr. L. Barrilleaux, Vice-President of Academic Affairs, Rebecca Lyons, Department Head, Dr. T. Schrieber, Coordinator for the Masters Program were introduced to the Board by Dr. Westbrook.

Motion: by N. Davis, seconded, that the Board acknowledge Nicholls State University Feasibility Study, Step I and Step II and approve initiation of a Master's of Science in Nursing (MSN) program for Family Nurse Practitioner, Family Psychiatric and Mental Health Nurse Practitioner, Nurse Educator, and Nurse Executive in academic partnership with the Intercollegiate Consortium for A Master of Science in Nursing (ICMSN).

Voice Vote: L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; P. Johnson-yes;
C. MacMillan-yes

Motion Carried.

AGENDA ITEM 4.3

LETTER FROM INTERCOLLEGIATE CONSORTIUM FOR A MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (ICMSN) ANNOUNCING BOARD OF REGENTS APPROVAL TO IMPLEMENT A POST MASTER'S CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

On June 28, 2012 LSBN received a letter from Dr. Poirrier, Chair, ICMSN Accreditation and Approval Activities requesting that, on behalf of the deans of the ICMSN, an announcement be made that the Louisiana Board of Regents approved the ICMSN to implement a Post Master's Certificate Program for Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) and Family Psych/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (FNP) at its June 27, 2012 meeting. Accompanying letter was application packet submitted to Louisiana Board of Regents January 20, 2012.

Packet review by LSBN Staff produced the following issues for clarification:

Only 240 clinical hours

Course work and clinicals in 14 weeks

Ms. Dufrene recommended that the Board acknowledge the Letter from Intercollegiate Consortium for a Master of Science in Nursing (ICMSN) announcing Board of Regents approval of a Post Master's Certificate program for Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) and Family Psych/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (FNP). Also grant conditional approval to be able to start to initiate the program, and for the Board to instruct them to finalize their packet within about 30 days, giving the formal letter as a major curriculum change and clarifications which were mentioned.

Dr. Poirrier thanked Ms. Dufrene for her recommendation to the Board. Ms. Poirrier clarified that there are many of the post masters programs now being offered in an accelerated fashion across the country, some 10 and 12 weeks. The Consortium feel their 14 week is legitimate. They will go back and review the clinical hour requirements, but felt the new criteria set by the National Task Force for Nurse Practitioners in 2008 was followed. This post masters offering concentration is to assist all of those graduates from the ICMSN who have graduated in the past, ended up being certified as adult health nurse practitioners.

Ms. Poirrier stated they came to the Board in the recent past, and the Board approved concentrations. Their two new concentrations are that of FNP and that of Psych/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner. In those proposals submitted in the past, it was stated that they would be establishing the post masters to match those particular new concentrations that were developed and approved by the Board. They, as part of the Consortium, have approximately at each institution about 30 students who graduated as ANPs, wanting to come back to also be certified as FNPs. Their employers are also pushing the matter because the employers can expand their business opportunities if these ANPs they are employing are certified in those different areas.

Ms. Poirrier reported that they have been approved by SACS and the Board of Regents to offer this starting in January. So they have got to produce students starting in January of 2013. They are limiting the enrollment due to the qualified faculty they have to add to each institution. They will follow the NTF rules and regulations for a 1 to 6 ratio. Therefore, each institution will not admit more than 12 per cohort group. So from January through December, each institution of the Consortium will actually graduate 12 at each site.

In answer to a question by Ms. Agosta, Ms. Poirrier, stated this was established for their adult nurse practitioner graduates from the ICMSN. They will accept outside but priority will be given to their own ICMSN graduates from the past for both tracks.

Motion: by N. Davis, seconded, That the Board acknowledge the Letter from Intercollegiate Consortium for a Master of Science in Nursing (ICMSN), a Post Master's Certificate program for Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) and Family Psych/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (FNP).

Further, that the Board grant conditional approval as a Major Curriculum Change.

And further, that the Board instruct ICMS for a Major Curriculum Change and clarification to the Board staff within 30 days.

Discussion ensued.

Voice Vote: N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; P. Johnson-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; S. Westbrook-yes

Motion Carried.

Ms. MacMillan commended the Consortium for being able to offer to Louisiana nurses an option to make this transition,

AGENDA ITEM 4.4

Announcements/Information

(No action required)

Southeastern Louisiana University Administrative Change:

On May 25, 2012 LSBN staff received a letter from SLU that Dr. Ann Carruth has been appointed Dean of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Dr. Carruth previously held the position as Interim Dean.

Dillard University Administrative Change:

On June 8, 2012 LSBN received a letter from Dillard University announcing that Dr. Mary Green has been appointed as Acting Chair of the School of Nursing, replacing the previous Department Chair, Dr. Lenetra Jefferson. The change was effective June 4, 2012.

Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center Administrative Change:

On June 8, 2012 LSBN staff received a letter from LSUHSC School of Nursing announcing that Ms. Jennifer Manning has been appointed as Program Director of Articulation Programs, replacing Ms. Jacqueline Favret who has retired from that position.

Louisiana State University Eunice Administrative Change

LSBN staff received a letter from LSU Eunice dated May 15, 2012 announcing that effective July 1, 2012 Jennifer Creswell will serve as the Acting Nursing Program Director following the resignation of the previous Director, Suzanne Dunbar.

Grambling State University Administrative Change:

Grambling School of Nursing announced, via email received April 26, 2012, that effective February 1, 2012 the new BSN Director is Jamil Norman replacing Anna Karin Jones.

Louisiana State University Alexandria Minor Curriculum Change:

LSBN Director of Education received correspondence in May 2012 from LSUA School of Nursing of minor curriculum changes that will be implemented effective Fall 2012.

Our Lady of Holy Cross College Administrative Change:

On July 9, 2012, LSBN staff received a letter of notification that Dr. Ronald J. Ambrosetti has been appointed President of Our Lady of Holy Cross College effective July 1, 2012.

University of Louisiana Monroe Administrative Change:

Letter received July 16, 2012 announcing that Dr. Emily Doughty has been appointed as the Director of the Kitty DeGree School of Nursing at ULM.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

A written report of the President was provided to Board members. Dr. Porche requested that the following actions be taken:

To authorize the President to appoint a taskforce to work with Board staff to begin a revision of Chapter 35-Nursing Education .

Motion: by L. Agosta, seconded, to authorize the President to appoint a taskforce to work with Board staff to begin a revision of Chapter 35.

Voice Vote: L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes;
P, Johnson-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; S. Westbrook-yes

Motion Carried.

That the Board grant approval to the President to write a letter of support for the LAC grant to be included in the RWJF State Implementation grant proposal as a participating partner.

Dr. Bienemy reported that the Louisiana Action Coalition, which partners are AARP Louisiana and the Center for Nursing, has been given the opportunity from the RWJ Foundation to release an RFP on July 2nd for \$150,000 grant. The purpose of the letter of support is from the Board and the Board is represented on the Action Coalition, which is requesting the letter of support for this particular grant.

Motion: by L. Agosta, seconded, to authorize the President to write a letter of support for the LAC grant to be included in the RWJ Foundation State Implementation Grant proposal as a participating partner.

Voice Vote: L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes;
P, Johnson-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; S. Westbrook-yes

Motion Carried.

That the Board grant the President approval to engage a search firm that will be utilized to assist with the search for a new Executive Director.

Motion: by N. Davis, seconded, to authorize the President to engage a search firm to assist with the Executive Director recruitment and screening.

Voice Vote: L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes;
P, Johnson-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; S. Westbrook-yes

Motion Carried.

Dr. Porche and Ms. Morvant represented the Board at the NCSBN annual meeting in Dallas.

Board members were provided a booklet from the National Council regarding guidelines related to sexual misconduct cases, which is a growing area of disciplinary action state-wide and nationally.

REPORT OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT

C. MacMillan presented the Financial Report for the quarter ending June 30, 2012 of Fiscal Year 2011/2012, which was provided to Board members. The financials were all within budget.

Ms. Morvant reported that this is the unaudited end of year. An audited report will be provided.

Motion: by N. Davis, seconded, to accept the Vice President's Report.

Voice Vote: L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes;
P, Johnson-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; S. Westbrook-yes

Motion Carried.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Ms. Morvant reported several items of information:

National Council of State Boards of Nursing recognized the Louisiana State Board of Nursing 100 years of regulation during its Delegate Assembly.

The Louisiana State Board of Nursing's Center for Nursing is partnering with the AARP and Rapides Foundation to obtain a \$150,000 match fund grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation for the Louisiana Action Coalition for the Future of Nursing.

Act 858 of the 202 Legislative Session charged the LSBN to jointly promulgate with the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) rules and regulations specifying methods and curriculum for the training of unlicensed diabetic care attendants. Ms. York, Lisa Deaton, Louisiana State Nurses Association (LSNA) Health Policy Chair, and Ms. Morvant met with the BESE representative to discuss the process for meeting legislative charge. Ms. York will serve as the LSBN staff representative to draft proposed regulations that will be disseminated with stakeholders. Final draft rules will need to be approved by both Boards respectively prior to being adopted.

The financial Audit is in process this week and the LSBN can expect a report in September.

The LSBN Strategic Planning Session is scheduled for August 22-23, 2012 for LSBN Board members. The session will take place at the Embassy Suites Hotel-Baton Rouge located at 4914 Constitution Avenue, Baton Rouge.

Staff is in the midst of planning for the 2013 Annual Renewals that will begin October 1, 2012.

Agenda Item 9.1

Rule Promulgation - Amendment to LAC 46:XLVII

Notice of Intent has been published. There has not been any requests for public hearing or public comments on the rules. If there is no request for oversight, the rules will be eligible to be published and promulgated for October 20th.

Ms. Morvant stated the recommendation to the Board is to accept the rules as published for promulgation of the final rule.

Motion: by S. Westbrook, seconded, to accept the rules as published for promulgation of the final rule.

Voice Vote: L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes;
P, Johnson-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; S. Westbrook-yes

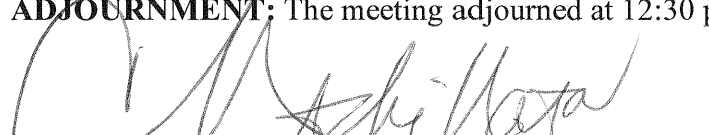
Motion Carried.

Motion: by L. Agosta, seconded, to go into executive session to discuss the Report on Litigation.

Voice Vote: L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes;
P, Johnson-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; S. Westbrook-yes

Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.



CARLEEN MACMILLAN, VICE PRESIDENT
LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING