

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

**MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 14, 2011 BOARD MEETING**

**Call to Order:** The regular meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing was called to order at 9:00 am by L. Agosta, President, on Wednesday, December 14, 2011, at the Louisiana State Board of Nursing, 17373 Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70810.

**Roll Call:** The following Board members were in attendance:

Lucie Agosta, Ph.D., RNC, President  
Carlene McMillan, MN, RN, Vice President  
Demetrius Porche, DNS, APRN, Ph.D, FNP, Alternate Officer  
Nancy Davis, MN,RN, NE-BC  
Larry Haley, MSN, CRNA  
Jolie Harris, MSN, RN  
Patricia Prechter, Ed.D, MSN, RN  
Patricia Johnson, MN, RN, CNAA

The following Board members were not in attendance:

Sue Westbrook, DNS, RN  
Robert Bass, MD, Ex-Officio Member  
William LaCorte, M.D. Ex-Officio Member

The following staff members were in attendance:

Barbara Morvant, MN, RN, Executive Director  
Cynthia T. Bienemy, Ph.D, RN, Director of Nursing Workforce Center  
Rickie Callegan, Director of Investigations  
Patricia Dufrene, MSN, RN, Director of Education and Licensure  
Joy Peterson, BSN, RN, Director of Hearings  
Danielle Smith, RN, MSN, Director of Monitoring/RNP  
Janice Britton, MSN, RN, Regional Manager  
Richard Carroll, RN, RNP Manager  
Michelle Wells, MSHCM, BSN, RNC, Regional Manager  
E. Wade Shows, Board Attorney  
Wanda Green-Toliver, Administrative Assistant

**Introduction:** L. Agosta established that a quorum of the Board was present.

**Minute Approval**

Dr. Agosta called for the approval of the minutes of the September 14, 2011 LSBN minutes.  
Ms. MacMillan indicated that she had noted some minor typographical revisions to the staff

**Motion:** by C. MacMillan to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2011 LSBN minutes, and seconded.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

## **EDUCATION ISSUES**

Dr. Agosta began by calling for the Education Issues since there were a number of individual's present to address these issues. Dr. Porche first addressed the development of a checklist for review of the Out-of State program applications in collaboration with Ms Dufrene and the work group as assigned by the LSBN inclusive of Dr. Porche, Ms. Harris and Ms. MacMillan.

A checklist was developed as a guide for staff review and was provided to each program to guide submission of materials to the LSBN.

### **AGENDA ITEM 4.1**

#### **GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY REQUEST TO OFFER GRADUATE CLINICAL EXPERIENCE IN LOUISIANA (DEFERRED FROM SEPTEMBER 2011 BOARD MEETING)**

This item was deferred from the September meeting. P. Dufrene presented the staff review of Georgetown University request to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana. Upon review of the materials and documentation as submitted, the staff recommendation is that the Board approve the request of Georgetown University to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for the Specialties/Concentrations of:

- Certified Nurse Midwife/Woman's Health Nurse Practitioner (CNM/WHNP)
- Adult Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (ACNP)
- Adult Acute and Critical Care CNS (CCNS)
- Blended ACNP/CCNS
- Nursing Education (non APRN)
- Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)

Approval effective Fall 2011- Fall 2013 contingent on the 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**.

Dr. Porche moved the staff recommendation for the purpose of opening discussion. Discussion followed.

Dr. Porche asked for clarification regarding Georgetown University meeting National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF). NONPF criteria and LSBN standards for faculty having the responsibility for student evaluation. P. Dufrene indicated that the program application reflected an initial review by faculty but on-going was not addressed. Dr.

Porche expressed that they would need to be in compliance with the on-going responsibility for faculty to evaluate that student experience.

Dr. Porche asked for clarification regarding the tracts that are not in compliance with the Consensus Model and there will no longer be certification available. B. Morvant responded that this is a very pertinent question that needs to be addressed to all programs as we evolve to compliance with the Consensus Model. Staff has listed in detail the tracks being requested and are recommending that the LSBN approve each specific track.

**Amended Motion:**

Dr. Porche, moved and seconded that the Board approved the request of Georgetown University to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for the Specialties/Concentrations of:

- Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)
- Certified Nurse Midwife/Woman's Health Nurse Practitioner (CNM/WHNP)
- Nursing Education (non APRN);

And that the Approval shall be effective Fall 2011-Fall 2013 contingent on the 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*.

The Board further instructs Georgetown to submit to Board:

- 1) clarification of adherence to NONPF standards and LSBN rules related to evaluation of students; and
- 2) clarification of the following Specialties/Concentrations which are not in compliance with the Consensus Model:
  - Adult Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (ACNP)
  - Adult Acute and Critical Care CNS (CCNS)
  - Blended ACNP/CCNS

**4.2 UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS, BOSTON REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR GRADUATE NURSING PROGRAM TO OFFER CLINICAL EXPERIENCE IN LOUISIANA (DEFERRED FROM SEPTEMBER 2011 BOARD MEETING)**

P. Dufrene informed the Board that this was deferred from the September 2011 meeting. This program was unable to obtain all documents requested including Board of Regents approval. Staff recommendation is to continue deferral of this program application.

Discussion followed regarding eligibility of students currently enrolled in this program.

**Motion:**

Dr. Porche, moved and seconded that the Board continues deferral on the request from University of Massachusetts, Boston to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana until submission of requested supplemental information and Board of Regents approval.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

**4.3.FRONTIER NURSING UNIVERSITY REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR GRADAUTE NURSING PROGRAM TO OFFER CLINICAL EXPERIENCE IN LOUISIANA (DEFERRED FROM SEPTEMBER 2011 BOARD MEETING)**

P. Dufrene presented the staff review. Dr. Tonia Nickolson was present to address any questions by the LSBN. This program has regional program coordinators (RPC) s that evaluate the clinical experiences of the students and conducts a visit. Students are currently enrolled in various tracks. The staff recommendation is that the Board approves the request of Frontier Nursing University, to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for the following Specialty/Concentrations:

- Doctor of Nursing Practice
- Master of Science in Nursing or Post Master's Certificate:
  - Certified Nurse Midwife
  - Family Nurse Practitioner
  - Woman's Health Nurse Practitioner

Approval effective Fall 2011- Fall 2013 contingent on the 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

Dr. Porche moved the staff recommendation for discussion. Discussion followed.

Dr. Porche asked for clarification relative to RPCs qualifications/ ratios specific to the student track. Dr. Nickolson responded that RPCs were considered faculty and were prepared in the respective track of the enrolled student. Further, Dr. Porche asked for clarification regarding DNP being a post-master's track.

**Amended Motion:**

Dr. Porche, moved and seconded, that the Board approved the request of Frontier Nursing University to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for the following Specialties/Concentrations of:

- Post Master's Doctor of Nursing Practice
- Master of Science in Nursing or Post Master's Certificates of:
  - Certified Nurse Midwife
  - Family Nurse Practitioner
  - Woman's Health Nurse Practitioner;

And that the Approval shall be effective Fall 2011-Fall 2013 contingent on 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; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

#### **4.4 GRACELAND UNIVERSITY REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR GRADUATE NURSING PROGRAM TO OFFER CLINICAL EXPERIENCE IN LOUISIANA (DEFERRED FROM SEPTEMBER 2011 BOARD MEETING)**

P. Dufrene presented the staff review of this program application. P. Dufrene addressed some areas of concern or incomplete information available. Faculty does not hold Louisiana licensure. This program has six (6) students currently enrolled. Clinical facility forms have not been submitted. Dr. Porche asked clarification of the term 'faculty associate'. Dr. Porche also expressed the concern that faculty that are supervising staff are knowledgeable regarding scope of practice in Louisiana, ie limitations on prescribing for chronic pain/ obesity.

#### **Motion:**

Dr. Porche, moved and seconded that the Board approves the request of Graceland University to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for the following Specialty/Concentrations:

- Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)

Approval effective Fall 2011- Fall 2013 contingent

1. becoming compliant with Faculty licensure in Louisiana and submission of clinical affiliation and preceptor agreement, and impact on LA approved schools utilizing the agency
2. 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*

#### **4.5 University of Alabama Birmingham Request to offer Graduate clinical experience in Louisiana (Deferred from the September Board meeting).**

P. Dufrene presented this request. This program was previously approved and is submitting a request for reapproval. Ms Dufrene presented the staff review.

Dr. Porche moved the staff recommendation for discussion.

Dr. Porche raised the issue of the tracks that are not in compliance with the Consensus Model. Dr. Porche asked that LSBN request clarification regarding the transition to the Consensus Model.

**Motion:**

Dr. Porche moved and seconded, that the Board approved the request of the University of Alabama Birmingham to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for the following Specialties/Concentrations of:

Adult/ Gerontology NP  
Adult/Woman's Health NP  
Pediatric NP (Acute)  
Pediatric NP (Primary)  
Dual- PNP- acute/primary  
Neonatal NP  
Psych Mental Health NP  
Family NP  
Post Masters DNP  
Others: (Non APRN)  
Clinical research Manager  
Clinical Nurse Leader;

And that Approval shall be effective Fall 2011-Fall 2013 contingent upon:

- 1) University of Alabama Birmingham becoming compliant with Faculty licensure in Louisiana and submission of clinical affiliation and preceptor agreement, and impact on LA approved schools utilizing the agency; and
- 2) 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*.

The Board further instructs University of Alabama Birmingham to submit to Board clarification of the following Specialties/Concentrations which are not in compliance with the Consensus Model:

Adult NP (Acute)  
Adult NP (primary)

The Board further recommends University of Alabama Birmingham to submit above information and receive approval from Board prior to admission of any new clinical students in Louisiana sites.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P. Prechter-yes;  
D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

**4.6 TEXAS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY REQUEST FOR REAPPROVAL FOR GRADUATE NURSING PROGRAM TO OFFER COURSE/CLINICAL EXPERIENCE IN LOUISIANA (Reapproval)**

P. Dufrene presented the staff review. Clinical coordinators are used to oversee student clinical experiences. Texas Wesleyan was previously approved by LSBN to offer clinicals in Louisiana, however, this approval has expired. The program is requesting reapproval. Staff recommendation is that the Board approves the request of Texas Wesleyan University to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for the following Specialty/Concentrations:

- MSNA / CRNA

Approval effective Fall 2011- Fall 2013 contingent on the adherence to and submission of required documentation regarding faculty qualifications, preceptor qualifications, and clinical site appropriateness and approval and student criteria as outlined in *LAC46: XVII.4509*

Dr. Porche moved the staff recommendation for the purpose of discussion.

Dr. Porche asked for verification be obtained that no other programs are using the same clinical facilities. Further, Dr. Porche asked for clarification regarding Council on Accreditation (COA) criteria. It is his understanding that in accordance with COA the clinical coordinators can not serve as faculty and conduct the clinical site evaluation. She verified that the COA did vote that the faculty doing the clinical evaluation can not do the site evaluation.

Ms. Harris asked for clarification regarding faculty/student ratio. Discussion followed.

**Motion:**

Dr. Porche moved and seconded, that the Board approved the request of Texas Wesleyan University to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for the following Specialties/Concentrations of:

MSNA / CRNA;

And that Approval shall be effective Fall 2011-Fall 2013 contingent on the adherence to and submission of required documentation regarding faculty qualifications, preceptor qualifications, and clinical site appropriateness and approval, and student criteria as outlined in *LAC46: XVII.450*.

The Board further instructs Texas Wesleyan University to submit to Board for continued approval:

- 1) Copy of COA approval of Clinical agency;
- 2) Clarification of the understanding of COA regulations regarding inability of clinical site coordinators to perform site evaluations;
- 3) Louisiana Licensure status of faculty;

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes;N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

**4.7 Texas Christian University request to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana**

P. Dufrene presented the staff review. This program does use clinical coordinators who are Louisiana licensed CRNAs and are considered adjunct faculty. This program currently has 29 students enrolled.

**Motion:**

Dr. Porche, moved and seconded, that the Board approves the request of Texas Christian University to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for the following Specialty/Concentrations

- MSNA
- DNP-Anesthesia

Approval effective Fall 2011- Fall 2013 contingent on the 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; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

**4.8 Vanderbilt University request to offer Graduate clinical experience in Louisiana**

P. Dufrene reported on the staff review. Clinical site evaluations are performed by a variety of approaches, including virtual site evaluations. Faculty qualifications forms have not been submitted. The program has three (3) students enrolled in clinical nursing experiences in Louisiana.

Dr. Porche moved the staff recommendations for discussion. Dr. Porche ask for clarification on the various tracks. Vanderbilt University faculty was present to address the questions of the Board members. Dr. Porche addressed the requirement for faculty to evaluate the clinical experience.

The Board approved the request of Vanderbilt University School of Nursing to offer Graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for the following Specialties/Concentrations of:

Master's

Adult/Gerontology NP

Family NP

FNP-Acute Care NP- Emergency Care

Post Master's Certificate

Adult/Gerontology NP

Family NP

Neonatal NP



Neonatal NP	Nurse Midwife
Nurse Midwife	Pediatric NP Acute Care
Nurse Midwife/ FNP	Pediatric NP Primary Care
Pediatric NP Acute Care Foundation)	Pysch Mental Health NP (with NP
Pediatric NP- Primary care Foundation)	Pysch Mental Health NP (without NP
Pysch Mental Health NP	Women's' Health NP;
Women's Health NP	
Women's Health/Adult NP	

And that Approval shall be effective Fall 2011-Fall 2013 contingent upon:

- 1) Vanderbilt University School of Nursing becoming compliant with Faculty licensure in Louisiana and submission of preceptor agreement, and impact on LA approved schools utilizing the agency; and
- 2) 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*.

The Board further instructs Vanderbilt University to submit to Board within 3 months:

- 3) clarification of adherence to NONPF standards and LSBN rules related to evaluation of students
- 4) clarification of the following Specialties/Concentrations which are not in compliance with the Consensus Model:
  - Adult Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (ACNP) (Pre and Post Master's)
  - Adult Acute Nurse Practitioner Intensivist

The Board further recommends Vanderbilt University to submit above information and receive approval from Board prior to admission of any new clinical students in Louisiana sites.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C.MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

Discussion followed regarding clarification that all programs would need to submit the requested information prior to admission of any new clinical students in Louisiana sites. Dr. Porche indicated that that was the intent. Staff was directed to include this clarification in the communication to all programs relative to the action of the Board.

#### **4.9 South Louisiana Community College Request to initiate an ASN Program**

P. Dufrene reported that on October 7, 2011, LSBN staff received letter of intent and feasibility report from South Louisiana Community College to establish an Associate Degree of Science in nursing program. P. Dufrene reported on the staff review. She noted the following areas of deficiencies:

1. Approval of program by LCTS unclear (approved to submit letter of intent to BOR)
2. Not approved by Board of Regents (scheduled Spring 2012)
3. No discussion of Regional Accreditation
4. Impact on Schools within 100 miles radius - incomplete
5. Faculty Qualification form for Program Head not submitted to LSBN

Dr. Porche moved the staff recommendation for the purpose of discussion. Discussion followed.

**Amended Motion:**

D. Porche, moved and seconded, that the Board acknowledges the Letter of Intent from South Louisiana Community College to initiate an Associate of Science in Nursing Degree Program.

Discussion followed. Ms. Davis raised the issue relative to the Institute of Medicine's Report on the Future of Nursing calls for the increase of baccalaureate prepared registered nurses relative to the Board's decisions to approve new programs.

Participant present to address that her community has expressed the need for the proposed program.

It was noted by Ms. Davis that data reflects that few ASNs advance their education after completion of the Associate Degree and if Louisiana is to meet the IOM recommendation for 80% baccalaureate prepared workforce, stakeholders will need to come together to do their part.

Discussion followed. Ms Harris asked if there was a role for the Louisiana Nursing Center to assist the Board with information and facilitating dialogue regarding educational models that assist with moving the state.

Ms MacMillian called for the vote.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L.Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P.Prechter-yes;  
D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried**

**4.10 McNeese University ADN Program Site Visit Report**

P. Dufrene reported that LSBN staff participated jointly in a NLNAC reaccreditation from 9/27/ 11 – 9/29/11. P Dufrene provided to the Board a site visit report which reflects that the program is meeting all standards and there are no recommendations from NLNAC or LSBN staff.

**Motion:**

Dr. Porche, moved and seconded that the Board accept the LSBN Site Visit Report on McNeese State University School of Nursing Associate of Science in Nursing Degree program and continued Full approval status to be reviewed annually with annual reports

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried**

#### **4.11 McNeese University Baccalaureate Program Site Visit Report**

P. Dufrene reported that LSBN staff participated jointly in a CCNE reaccreditation from 10/5/11 – 10/7/11. P. Dufrene provided to the Board a site visit report which reflects that the program is meeting all standards and there are no recommendations from CCNE or LSBN staff.

Motion by Dr. Porche and seconded, that the Board accept the LSBN Site Visit Report on McNeese State University School of Nursing Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing Degree program and continued Full approval status to be reviewed annually with annual reports.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P.Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried**

#### **4.12 Bossier Parish Community College ASN Program Site Visit Report**

P. Dufrene reported that LSBN staff participated jointly in an Initial NLNAC accreditation from 10/25/11 -10/ 27/11. P. Dufrene provided to the Board a site visit report which reflects that the program is meeting all standards and there is no recommendations from NLNAC or LSBN staff

Motion by Dr. Porche and seconded, that the Board accepted the LSBN Site Visit Report on Bossier Parish Community College Associate of Science in Nursing Degree program and granted Full approval status to be reviews annually with annual reports.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan- yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P.Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried**

#### **4.13 Louisiana Delta Community College ASN program Site Visit Report**

P.Dufrene reported that LSBN staff participated jointly in an Initial NLNAC accreditation from 11/30/11 – 12/ 2/11. P. Dufrene provided to the Board a site visit report which reflects that the program is meeting all standards and there are no significant recommendations from NLNAC or LSBN staff.

Motion by Dr. Porche and seconded, that the Board accepted the LSBN Site Visit Report on

Louisiana Delta Community College School of Nursing Associate of Science In Nursing Degree Program and granted Full approval status to be reviews annually with annual reports.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan- yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P.Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried**

#### **4.14 Loyola DNP Program Site Visit Report**

P. Dufrene reported that on February 25, 2011 LSBN staff received a letter of intent and proposal to proceed to initiate a post-BSN to DNP program. The proposal contained Feasibility study, Step 1 and Step 2. Step 3 is scheduled for fall 2011 with a CCNE/LSBN visit scheduled November 9-22, 2011. On November 9-11, 2011 LSBN staff participated in joint site visit with CCNE. P. Dufrene provided to the Board a site visit report which reflects that the program is meeting all standards. The recommendation of staff is to grant Initial Approval status.

#### **Motion:**

Dr. Porche, moved and seconded that the Board granted Initial approval status to Loyola University School of Nursing BSN-DNP Program and allowed enrollment of students for the following Specialty/Concentrations:

#### **Family Nurse Practitioner**

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan- yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P.Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried**

#### **4.15 Louisiana College CE Provider Approval Request**

P. Dufrene reported that on 10/17/11 LSBN staff received Louisiana College Division of Nursing CE Application for initial approval for review. P. Dufrene provided a staff review.

#### **Motion:**

Dr. Porche, moved and seconded, that the Board accepted the proposal and first offering submitted by Louisiana College division of Nursing to begin the process of becoming Continuing Education provider recognized by Louisiana State Board of Nursing; and

Instructed the Division of Nursing of Louisiana College to submit post-presentation documents as outlined in the Rules and Regulations; and

Further instructed the Division of Nursing of Louisiana College to submit two additional, different offerings a minimum of 90 days prior to planned initiation for the offering, and required post-presentation documents as outlined in the Rules and Regulation, prior to approval status as a Continuing Education provider recognized by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan- yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P.Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried**

#### **4.16 University of Louisiana Monroe CE Provider**

Re-approved University of Louisiana at Monroe as a Continuing Education Provider [Provider #44] for two (2) years, effective December 14, 2011 through December 14, 2013.

P. Dufrene reported that on 10/12/2011 LSBN staff received University of Louisiana Monroe CE Application for Reapproval for review. P. Dufrene provided a staff review and found the application met criteria for reapproval.

**Motion:**

Dr. Porche, moved and seconded, that the Board reapprove the University of Louisiana Monroe as a Continuing Education provider recognized by Louisiana State Board of Nursing effective December 14, 2011- December 14, 2013

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan- yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P.Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried**

#### **4.17 Announcements/Information**

P. Dufrene reported on the following announcements and Communications:

1. **Our Lady of Holy Cross College Administrative Change**

On September 8, 2011, LSBN received a letter notifying the Board that Dr. Patricia M. Prechter has changed titles from Associate Vice President and Dean for Academic Affairs/Chair of the Department of Nursing and Allied Health to Interim Provost and Chair of the Department of Nursing and Allied Health.

2. **Pearl River Community College Administrative Change**

On September 12, 2011, LSBN received a letter from the administration of Pearl River Community College announcing that Dr. Arlene Jones had been approved by the PRCC Board of Trustees as Director of Nursing Education effective July 1, 2011.

3. **William Carey University Administrative Change**

LSBN received a letter from William Carey University on October 17, 2011 announcing that Jeanette Commagere, MSN, RN has taken the position as Undergraduate Coordinator for the William Carey University School of Nursing on the New Orleans campus.

4. **Fletcher Technical Community College Articulation Agreement**

On September 21, 2011 LSBN received a formal articulation agreement between FTCC and Nicholls State University as supplement to site visit report September 14, 2011 presented at the September 14, 2011 Board Meeting.

B. Morvant asked the Board in thanking Ms Dufrene for all of her hard work and extra hours required for the many Education agenda items and site visits required this past quarter. Thanks were expressed by all.

Ms Dufrene expressed thanks to the Board members who served as a work group to develop the checklist that facilitated submission of program applications and staff review.

**7.1 Center for Nursing**

L. Agosta called for the report from the Center for Nursing. Dr. Cynthia Bienemy was present to provide the report.

Dr. Bienemy distributed to the Board members a copy of the *Nursing Workforce Demand Report* that was just completed this week. In order to be able to share with the Board prior to its release. Dr. Bienemy gave a brief overview of the scope of the study.

Dr. Porche requested clarification of the relationship of the Center to the Board and what is the Board members role in relation to the report. Discussion followed. P. Johnson shared perspective regarding the evolution of the Center under the LSBN.

Staff clarified that the Nursing Center is a department of the LSBN and the Board has oversight of its activities just like other departments of the LSBN. It was the intent of staff that the LSBN members would receive the report prior to being released to the public. Discussion followed. LSBN members expressed interest in having additional time to address the report results and the strategic plan for the future direction and scope of the Louisiana Nursing Center.

Motion, by D. Porche, and seconded, to receive the *Nursing Workforce Demand Report* and to additional time on the next agenda for discussion.

Dr. Bienemy reported that the next major activity of the Center is to complete the Forecasting Study. The Louisiana Nursing Center submitted a proposal to Health Works to receive funding to assist with the Forecasting Study. Negotiations are ongoing

regarding a contract with the Health Works Commission to partially fund the study. No action is required by the Board at this time.

Dr. Bienemy shared that the Nursing Center has participated as a major partner to establish a Future of Nursing Action Coalition in Louisiana. Dr. Bienemy reported on Dr. Sue Hassmiller's, Robert Woods Foundation, recent visit to Louisiana. AARP national office staff also participated in the visit.

## **8.1 NCSBN**

B. Morvant shared the Press Release from NCSBN regarding offering the NCLEX-RN for licensure in Canadian provinces. B. Morvant shared that there will be policy decisions regarding endorsement of Canadian nurses. Use of the NCLEX-RN by Canadian graduates may have implications for the NCLEX-RN overtime.

C. McMillian shared with the Board activities of the NCSBN CORE Committee of which she is a member. The Committee has a national consultant to guide the Committee to determine the performance measures to use for assessment. Ms. Mc Millian reported that she was very pleased that LSBN has participated in submitting CORE data since its inception and that we have a number of measure for which LSBN scored above average.

C. McMillian shared an Announcement she received regarding NCSBN Awards nominations and suggest that LSBN consider nominations that should be submitted.

## **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

Dr. Agosta shared her activities as LSBN President's Report

Dr. Agosta shared with the LSBN that she received an official letter on intent from Barbara Morvant, Executive Director to retire on or about November 14, 2013. Ms. Morvant has notified the LSBN well in advance in order to afford the LSBN an opportunity to develop a leadership succession plan that will assure a smooth transition during the recruitment, selection and orientation of a successor, as well as, provide her an opportunity to prepare to exit the position. Dr. Agosta reported that she appointed a work group of the LSBN to work with the Executive Director, comprised of Nancy Davis, Patricia Johnson, and Demetrius Porch. The charge to the work group will be

1. Meet with the Executive Director to discuss needs/concerns regarding plan development and exit strategy; and,
2. Develop leadership succession components, including timelines and benchmarks, and recommend leadership succession plan to the Board

**Motion:**

C. MacMillan, and seconded to accept the report the President.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Johnson-yes; P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

### **REPORT OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT**

C. MacMillan reported on the Vice-President's Report. The financial statements reflect the financial status as of October, 2011. There were no questions by the Board.

**Motion:** by D. Porche, seconded, that the Report of the Vice-President

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

### **REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

B. Morvant presented the Executive Director's report which consisted of major activities of the Board and Board staff through the first quarter ending September 30, 2011.

In addition, Ms Morvant reported on the following matters::

Investigations: The first quarter of the fiscal year reflects the substantial progress made by the Investigations staff in reviewing and resolving older cases and resolving newer cases in a shorter period of time. She is anticipating by the next quarter to see substantially more progress in this area.

Appointment and orientation of Jenifer Alleman, APRN, FNP, to the position of APRN Credentialing Manager. Jennifer brings over 19 years of diverse nursing experience to our staff including 15 years experience in advanced practice nursing as a family nurse practitioner.

Richard Carroll, RN, MBA, Recovering Nurse Program Manager/Compliance Officer, has been accepted into the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Institute of Regulatory Excellence (2012) Fellowship Program.

Cynthia York, RN, MSN, CGRN, Director of Practice and Credentialing at the Louisiana Board of Nursing was recently appointed to the Finance Committee of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN)



NCSBN Institute of Excellence Award grant awarded to LSBN for a proposal submitted by staff with Danielle Smith, Director of Monitoring, Lead, and “A Retrospective Comparative Study Examining Outcomes Related to the 2006 Cohort of Pre-RN Licensure Students Receiving Criminal Background Checks in Louisiana”.

Health Works Commission committed \$85,000.00 to the LSBN to complete the RN forecasting study.

LSBN, through the participation of the LCN, served as co-leadership to the Future of Nursing Initiative Action Coalition and planned and hosted a successful state visit by Sue Hassmiller

LCN completion of the first demand study on the Louisiana nursing workforce.

**Motion:**

C. MacMillan, moved and seconded, to accept the Report of the Executive Director.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; P. Johnson-yes;  
C. MacMillan- yes; J. Harris-yes; P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

**9.1 Recommendations of the APRN Task Force**

Dr. Agosta and Dr. Porche served as Chairpersons for the LSBN Task Force on the APRN Consensus Model. The group has met over the past 2 years to analyze the APRN Consensus Model in juxtaposition with Louisiana statute and regulations and develop strategies for consistency. The Task Force recommends acceptance of a proposed revision of Chapter 45 that aligns the rules with the Consensus Model based on the current statutory authority.

Dr. Agosta presented a brief overview of the Consensus Model and the proposed revisions. There is no change in the statutory requirement for a collaborative practice agreement; however, the categories of the APRN roles and population foci will be in conformity with the Consensus Model.

Motion, by Dr. Agosta and Dr. Porche, that the LSBN review draft of proposed modifications to Rules and Regulations, Title 46, Professional and Occupational Standards, Part XLVII. Nurses. Subpart 2. Registered Nurses, Chapter 45, Advanced Practice Registered Nurses and authorize LSBN staff and Board members to begin meeting with key organizations/groups for input/review of proposed changes to Rules and Regulations, Title 46, Professional and Occupational Standards, Part XLVII. Nurses. Subpart 2. Registered Nurses, Chapter 45, Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, including but not limited to LSBN legal counsel and the LSBME

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; P. Johnson-yes; C. MacMillan- yes; J. Harris-yes; P. Prechter-yes; D.Porche-yes

**Leadership Succession Plan-**

Dr. Porche reported on the work group’s approach to it’s charge. The work group has been collecting information regarding job descriptions, NCSBN resources, and any work on competencies. The next step is to update the proposed job description that reflects the current competencies and performance expectations of the ED for the future direction of the LSBN.

Motion: by P. Johnson, and seconded to accept the work group report. **Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; P. Johnson-yes; C. MacMillan- yes; J. Harris-yes; P. Prechter-yes; D.Porche-yes

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. REPORT ON PROPOSED RULE ENACTMENT LAC 46:XLVII.§3331 DENIAL AND DELAY OF LICENSURE**

B. Morvant reported that at the September 14, 2011 Board meeting, the Board ruled to accept the revisions to LAC46:XLVII.§3331 Denial and Delay of licensure for promulgating. On November 20, 2011 the Notice of Intent (NOI) was published in the Louisiana Register. The deadline for interested parties to request a public hearing was December 10, 2011.

To date, LSBN has received \_\_\_\_\_

**Motion:** by D. Porche, seconded, to accept the report on the proposed rule enactment of LAC 46:XLVII.§3331 Denial and Delay of Licensure.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; P. Johnson-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes; P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

**B. REPORT ON RULE PROMULGATION OF CHAPTER 33.SUBCHAPTER C.LAC46:XLVII .§3323, §3329, §3333, §3339, AND §4507(PAPERLESS LICENSE)**

B. Morvant reported that on October 20, 2011 the final rule promulgations for Paperless Licensure were published in the Louisiana Register.

**C. REPORT ON RULE PROMULGATED LAC46;XLVII §3419 ALTERNATIVE**

## **TO DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS**

B. Morvant reported that on October 20, 2011 the final rule promulgations for Alternatives to Disciplinary proceedings. were published in the Louisiana Register.

### **AGENDA ITEM 2.1** **2012 MEETING DATES**

B. Morvant reported on the proposed Board meeting and Hearing Panel dates for 2012. Dr. Agosta asked that she provide a brief comparison of the previous Board /Committee meeting schedule and the new Board meeting schedule and hearing panel process. Ms Morvant reported that the previous Board meeting and Committee schedule required Board members to be available. She reported that in 2010 required 16-18 days of Board member commitment with a range of individual Board members serving for 17-25 days. The 2011 schedule required 12-13days of Board member commitment with a range of individuals Board members serving for 9-11 days..

Staff noted that 30% more cases were handled in 2011 than in 2010 so the hearing panel model has been successful in handling additional cases while reducing the burden to the individual Board member. Staff will need do further analysis on the effectiveness relative to general matters, ie Practice and Education.

Discussion followed.

#### **Motion:**

P. Johnson, moved and seconded, to accept the 2012 Board Meeting and Hearing Panel Dates.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

### **AGENDA ITEM 2.2**

#### **PROPOSED 2012 – 2013 FISCAL BUDGET**

C. MacMillan reported on the proposed 2012-2013 budget for adoption by the Board. The Budget is based on conservative budgeting. The proposal does project a 2.7 million dollar deficit use of reserve; however, a 1.5 million of that is projected for the building expansion.

#### **Motion:**

P. Prechnter, moved and seconded, to accept the 2012 – 2013 Fiscal Budget

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

**AGENDA ITEM 2.3**

**2011-2016 LSBN STRATEGIC PLANNING**

B. Morvant reported that the LSBN staff leadership team met on two dates, November 15th and 18th, 2011, to review the strategic objectives and to further define the related assignments, outcomes and status. The Strategic Plan and a related priority check list was distributed to Board members for input.

C. MacMillan asked if the Board will have opportunity to spend time to discuss the strategic plan. D. Porche expressed concern that the strategic plan was more operational in focus than it should be. P. Johnson suggested that the Board plan a date to focus on the strategic plan. Discussion followed.

**Motion:** by P. Johnson,, seconded, that staff plan a date for a strategic planning date in the early part of the year.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

**Election of Officers**

Ms. MacMillan nominated Dr. D. Porche for the office of President of the Board

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

Dr. Porche nominated Ms. MacMillan for the office of Vice-President of the Board.

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

Ms. MacMillan nominated Dr. Patricia Prechtner for the office of Alternate Officer

**Voice Vote:** L. Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

**Motion carried.**

Dr. Agosta was acknowledge by the Board for her service on the occasion of completing her first term and her service as President of the Board this past year.

**REPORT ON LITIGATION**

Motion by C. MacMillan, and seconded, that the Board enter into Executive Session, to receive a report on pending litigation.

**Voice Vote:** L.Agosta-yes; N. Davis-yes; L. Haley-yes; C. MacMillan-yes; J. Harris-yes, P. Prechter-yes; D. Porche-yes

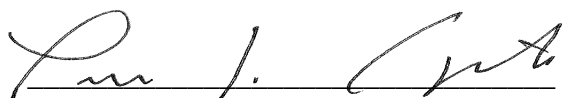
**Motion carried**

The Board went into Executive Session to hear a report on litigaton.at 12:55pm.

The Board resumed in Open Session at 1:10 p,m

Dr. Porche, motioned and seconded, to adjourn.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.



**LUCIE AGOSTA, PRESIDENT**  
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