

October 23, 2025 Board Meeting

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING BOARD MEETING - OCTOBER 23, 2025 AGENDA

Place: Louisiana State Board of Nursing
17373 Perkins Road
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70810

Call to Order: 10:00 AM

Roll Call

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of Minutes August 28, 2025

Farewell Message from Past

President Moffatt

Public participation is available in person, as space permits, and virtually using Microsoft TEAMS.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BSN Exception Rule Change Update: Alicia Wheeler
Publication of PICC Rule Removal, LAC 46.XLVII.3707: Alicia Wheeler
Clinical clearance for nursing students: Discuss with LACANE at November 20th meeting: Dr. Lyon
Board pins: Dr. Lyon
LSBN Providing Continuing Education: Dr. Monique Calmes

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consent Agenda Motions

1. Education Announcements

1. Education Announcement - University of Louisiana at Lafayette
2. Education Announcement - Louisiana Delta Community College
3. Education Announcement - Tulane University

2. Division Reports

1. Division of Nursing Practice
 1. Chief Credentialing Officer - **Dr. Monique Calmes**
 2. Education and Examination - **Mr. Chancellor Fontenot**
 1. Major Substantive Change
 1. Herzing University
 2. LSU Alexandria
 3. Loyola University
 2. Request for Full Approval Status
 1. Northshore Technical Community College
 3. Out of State Clinical Approval
 1. South College DNP Nurse Anesthesia Program
 4. LSBN Staff Program Status Reports
 1. NCLEX Reports
2. Compliance Division
 1. Interim Chief Regulatory Officer - **Ms. Alicia Wheeler**
3. Division of Administration
 1. Chief Administrative Officer - **Ms. Isonel Brown**
 1. LSBN FY2025 FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT
4. Division of Legal Affairs
 1. Chief Legal Officer
5. Office of Executive Counsel –**Ms. Alicia Wheeler**
3. **Office of the Executive Director/CEO**
 1. 2026 Board Hearing and Board Meeting Dates
4. **Reports**
 1. Report of President
 2. Report of Vice-President
 3. Report of Executive Director
5. **Professional Development**
6. **Strategic Plan**
7. **National Council State Boards of Nursing**
 1. Post-Board Meeting Update
8. **Public Comments**
9. **Executive Session**
 1. Report on Litigation
 2. Personnel Issues

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Adjournment

NOTE: This agenda is tentative until 24 hours in advance of the meeting, at which time the most recent revision becomes official.

Effective: Revised:

MISSION: To safeguard the life and health of the citizens of Louisiana by assuring persons practicing as registered nurses and advanced practice registered nurses are competent and safe.

VISION: LSBN will be a leader in regulatory excellence that advances nursing workforce, education, and practice.

1.a.i - 10/23/25

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM NO. 1.a.i

**TO: LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING MEMBERS
FROM: CHANCELOR FONTENOT, MSN, RN RN PROGRAM CONSULTANT
RE: EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENT - UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT
LAFAYETTE**

Action Requested

Summary/Background

On August 28, 2025, LSBN staff received notification from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette that on July 30, 2025, Dr. Joseph Savoie announced that he was stepping down as University President. Dr. Jaimie Hebert, the University's Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, will serve as Interim President during the search for a permanent successor.

Fiscal Impact

NONE

Attachments

University of Louisiana at Lafayette

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM NO. 1.a.ii

**TO: LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING MEMBERS
FROM: CHANCELOR FONTENOT, MSN, RN RN PROGRAM CONSULTANT
RE: EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENT - LOUISIANA DELTA COMMUNITY
COLLEGE**

Action Requested

Summary/Background

On September 9, 2025, LSBN staff received notification from Louisiana Delta Community College of the death of a faculty member. On the morning of September 9, 2025, Lauren Yelverton BSN, RN, who served as Nursing Instructor for Level 1 in the Associate of Science in Nursing Program at Louisiana Delta Community College, passed away.

Fiscal Impact

NONE

Attachments

Louisiana Delta Community College

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM NO. 1.a.iii

**TO: LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING MEMBERS
FROM: CHANCE FONTENOT, MSN, RN RN PROGRAM CONSULTANT
RE: EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENT - TULANE UNIVERSITY**

Action Requested

Summary/Background

On October 16, 2025, LSBN staff received notification from Tulane University that the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) has granted accreditation to the baccalaureate degree program in nursing at Tulane University for 5 years, extending to December 31, 2030. The accreditation action is effective as of March 12, 2025, which is the first day of the program's recent CCNE on-site evaluation. CCNE determined that the program substantially complied with all four accreditation standards. CCNE additionally determined that there are no compliance concerns with respect to key elements.

Fiscal Impact

NONE

Attachments

Tulane - CCNE Accreditation

2.a.ii.1.a - 10/23/25

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM NO. 2.a.ii.1.a

**TO: LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING MEMBERS
FROM: CHANCELOR FONTENOT, MSN, RN RN PROGRAM CONSULTANT
RE: MAJOR SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE - HERZING UNIVERSITY**

Action Requested

That the Board approve the major substantive change request from Herzing University to add the listed tracks to their current approved program.

Summary/Background

On August 21, 2025, LSBN staff received notification from Herzing University requesting approval to add the following tracks to their current approved graduate program:

- Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)
 - MSN to DNP Option
 - Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Track
 - Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Track
 - Family Nurse Practitioner Track
 - Nursing Leadership and Administration Track
 - Pediatric Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Track
 - Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Track
 - Public Health Nursing Track
 - Women's Health Nurse Practitioner Track

Fiscal Impact

NONE

Attachments

Substantive Change - Herzing University

2.a.ii.1.b - 10/23/25

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM NO. 2.a.ii.1.b

**TO: LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING MEMBERS
FROM: CHANCELOR FONTENOT, MSN, RN RN PROGRAM CONSULTANT
RE: MAJOR SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE - LSU ALEXANDRIA**

Action Requested

That the Board approve the major substantive change request from Louisiana State University of Alexandria to the Mission, Vision, Values, and Program Outcomes for both the Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) and the Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN – BSN) programs.

Summary/Background

On August 21, 2025, LSBN staff received notification from Louisiana State University of Alexandria (LSUA) of a major substantive change to the Mission, Vision, Values, and Program Outcomes for both the Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) and the Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN – BSN) programs.

These revisions reflect LSUA's commitment to continuous improvement and to the alignment of its educational practices with both institutional priorities and standards of contemporary professional nursing practice. The changes were developed through a collaborative process involving faculty, clinical partners, and university leadership to better align with the governing organization, and current nursing practice. The evaluation of updated program outcomes will commence during LSUA's annual systematic plan of evaluation.

Fiscal Impact

NONE

Attachments

Major Substantive Change - LSU Alexandria

2.a.ii.1.c - 10/23/25

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM NO. 2.a.ii.1.c

**TO: LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING MEMBERS
FROM: CHANCELOR FONTENOT, MSN, RN RN PROGRAM CONSULTANT
RE: MAJOR SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE - LOYOLA UNIVERSITY**

Action Requested

That the Board approve the major substantive change request from Loyola University New Orleans to the school of nursing's mission, goals, and outcomes, and to approve the missions, goals, and outcomes of the Doctorate, Master's, and Baccalaureate programs.

Summary/Background

On August 26, 2025, LSBN staff received notification from Loyola University New Orleans of a substantive change to the school of nursing's mission, goals, and outcomes. The missions, goals, and outcomes of the Doctorate, Master's, and Baccalaureate programs were also revised. These revisions were made in August 2024 with full faculty input.

Fiscal Impact

NONE

Attachments

Major Substantive Change - Loyola University

2.a.ii.2.a - 10/23/25

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM NO. 2.a.ii.2.a

**TO: LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING MEMBERS
FROM: CHANCELOR FONTENOT, MSN, RN RN PROGRAM CONSULTANT
RE: REQUEST FOR FULL APPROVAL STATUS - NORTSHORE TECHNICAL
COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Action Requested

That the Board approve the request from Northshore Technical Community College for full approval status of their Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) program.

Summary/Background

On September 11, 2025, LSBN staff received notification from Northshore Technical Community College requesting full approval status for their Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) program. The first cohort of students has graduated, and all graduates have taken the NCLEX examination. The cohort achieved a 94.4% pass rate on the NCLEX, which was verified by LSBN staff. LSBN will conduct a site visit in conjunction with ACEN in the Spring of 2027.

Fiscal Impact

NONE

Attachments

NTCC - Request for Full Approval Status

2.a.ii.3.a - 10/23/25

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM NO. 2.a.ii.3.a

TO: LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING MEMBERS

FROM: CHANCELOR FONTENOT, MSN, RN RN PROGRAM CONSULTANT

RE: OUT OF STATE APPROVAL - SOUTH COLLEGE DNP NURSE ANESTHESIA PROGRAM

Action Requested

That the Board approve the request from South College for continued approval to offer graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for their Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Nurse Anesthesia Program until October 23, 2028.

Summary/Background

On September 8, 2025, LSBN staff received a proposal from South College for continued approval to offer graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana for their Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Nurse Anesthesia Program.

Fiscal Impact

\$250 Out-of-State Certification Fee

Attachments

South College DNP Nurse Anesthesia Program - Renewal Proposal

OOS LSBN Staff Checklist - South College

2.a.ii.4.a - 10/23/25

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM NO. 2.a.ii.4.a

TO: LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING MEMBERS
FROM: CHANCELOR FONTENOT, MSN, RN RN PROGRAM CONSULTANT
RE: NCLEX PASS RATES 2025 (3rd QUARTER)

Action Requested

That the Board accept the NCLEX-RN pass rate report for 2025 3rd quarter.

Summary/Background

On October 2, 2025, LSBN staff acquired the educational program report statistics provided for Louisiana nursing education degree programs regarding the NCLEX-RN pass rates from July 1, 2025, to September 30, 2025.

The following programs reflect a less than 80 percent pass rate for first-time test takers:

Baton Rouge Community College

July – September 2025: *23 testers*

14 passed (60.87% passage rate)

Dillard University

July – September 2025: *15 testers*

11 passed (73.33% passage rate)

Louisiana State University - Alexandria

July – September 2025: *2 testers*

0 passed (00.00% passage rate)

Louisiana State University – Eunice

July – September 2025: *3 testers*

2 passed (66.67% passage rate)

Loyola University – New Orleans

July – September 2025: *13 testers*
9 passed (69.23% passage rate)

South Louisiana Community College

July – September 2025: *13 testers*
8 passed (61.54% passage rate)

Southern University – Baton Rouge

July – September 2025: *24 testers*
15 passed (62.50% passage rate)

Southern University – New Orleans

July – September 2025: *6 testers*
3 passed (50.00% passage rate)

The following programs reflect a passage rate of 80% or greater for first-time test takers:

Chamberlain University

July – September 2025: *43 testers*
37 passed (86.05% passage rate)

Delgado Community College

July – September 2025: *56 testers*
46 passed (82.14% passage rate)

Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University

July – September 2025: *8 testers*
8 passed (100.00% passage rate)

Grambling State University

July – September 2025: *8 testers*
8 passed (100.00% passage rate)

Herzing University

July – September 2025: *14 testers*
13 passed (92.86% passage rate)

Fletcher Technical Community College

July – September 2025: *47 testers*
44 passed (93.62% passage rate)

Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center

July – September 2025: *39 testers*
34 passed (87.18% passage rate)

Louisiana Tech University

July – September 2025: *3 testers*
3 passed (100.00% passage rate)

McNeese State University

July – September 2025: *9 testers*
9 passed (100.00% passage rate)

Nicholls State University

July – September 2025: *2 testers*
2 passed (100.00% passage rate)

Northshore Technical Community College

July – September 2025: *2 testers*

2 passed (100.00% passage rate)

Northwestern State University - ADN

July – September 2025: *45 testers*

44 passed (97.78% passage rate)

Northwestern State University - BSN

July – September 2025: *53 testers*

50 passed (94.34% passage rate)

Southeastern Louisiana University

July – September 2025: *23 testers*

22 passed (95.65% passage rate)

Southern University at Shreveport

July – September 2025: *1 tester*

1 passed (100.00% passage rate)

SOWELA Community College

July – September 2025: *3 testers*

3 passed (100.00% passage rate)

University of Holy Cross

July – September 2025: *4 testers*

4 passed (100.00% passage rate)

University of Louisiana at Monroe

July – September 2025: *7 testers*

7 passed (100.00% passage rate)

University of Louisiana at Lafayette

July – September 2025: *28 testers*

26 passed (92.86% passage rate)

William Carey University at Baton Rouge General

July – September 2025: *9 testers*

8 passed (88.89% passage rate)

Fiscal Impact

NONE

Attachments

Report 1 - Number and Percent Passing of First-Time Candidates Educated in NRB Jurisdictions

Report 4 - Jurisdiction Program Summary of all First-Time Candidates Licensed in All Jurisdictions

2.c.i.1 - 10/23/25

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM NO. 2.c.i.1

**TO: LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING MEMBERS
FROM: ISONEL BROWN CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
RE:LSBN FY2025 FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT**

Action Requested

Acceptance of the FY2025 Financial Audit Report

Summary/Background

Griffin & Furman LLC conducted LSBN's financial audit for the period ending June 30, 2025. LSBN's independent audit report was issued on August 22, 2025, with no findings, material weaknesses, or significant deficiencies identified.

Mr. Michael Caparotta will present the report to the board and answer any questions.

Fiscal Impact

None

Attachments

FY2025 Financial Audit Report

3.a - 10/23/25

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM NO. 3.a

TO: LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING MEMBERS

**FROM: KAREN C. LYON, PhD, RN, NEA CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER /
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

RE: 2026 BOARD HEARINGS AND BOARD MEETING DATES

Action Requested

To approve the proposed 2026 calendar for board hearings and meeting dates

Summary/Background

Fiscal Impact

NONE

Attachments

2026 Board Meetings and Board Hearing Panel Schedule

4.b - 10/23/25

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM NO. 4.b

TO: LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING MEMBERS
FROM: JENNIFER M. MANNING, DNS, APRN, CNS, CNE
RE: VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Action Requested

Accept the Vice President's Report

Summary/Background

For the two months ended August 31, 2025, 2024, and 2023, the results are summarized below. The 8/31/25 year to date income is less than 8/31/24 but higher than 8/31/23 year to date income primarily because of a decrease in interest income. Expenses are slightly less than the prior two years when compared to the average of the two prior years with exception for increases in payroll and related expenses.

The balance in the money market account is \$2,160,501.52 and the invested cash totals \$16,500,000. At present, the Board has 12 investments maturing in 11 of the next 12 months.

	8/31/2025	8/31/2024	8/31/2023
Total assets	33,907,794.21	33,972,731.49	31,395,798.72
Total liabilities	21,009,327.77	23,674,821.25	23,517,108.99
Equity	12,898,466.44	10,297,910.24	7,878,689.73
Total income	332,706.64	360,208.14	320,430.06
Total expenses (before capital outlay expenditures)	1,197,873.08	1,152,872.61	1,141,560.82
Net income (loss) before capital outlay expenditures	(865,166.44)	(792,664.47)	(821,130.76)
Capital outlay expenditures	-	-	-
Net income (loss)	(865,166.44)	(792,664.47)	(821,130.76)

Fiscal Impact

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the Board will be recognizing the 2nd year of the two-year license renewals received in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, using the average percentage of renewals received in the months of October, November, and December of the fiscal years ended June 30, 2016, 2017, and 2018. The amounts to be recognized in October 2025 will be \$346,300 in RN renewals and \$64,800 in APRN renewals, the amounts to be recognized in November 2025 will be \$477,900 in RN renewals and \$79,100 in APRN renewals, and the amounts to be recognized in December 2025 will be \$1,776,000 in RN renewals and \$243,500 in APRN renewals.

These revenues were in addition to the first year of the two-year renewals received in October, November, and December 2025, and January 2026.

Attachments

August Financials
August Investments

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

I would like to request public comment at the following public meeting:

Board meeting of: October 23, 2025

Agenda Item (see agenda sheet handout for topic/number): _____

- ☐ 1. I would like to speak
- ☐ 2. I will provide information, if requested
- ☐ 3. Although I would not like to speak, I would like to submit written content

Because we may need to contact you before or during the meeting, please provide your cell phone number:

Name: _____

Representing: _____

Email address: _____

Mailing address: _____

Date of Request: _____ Time of Request: _____