

EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

April 23, 2002

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING

1. In reference to Item 4.1: that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing recognize the Masters in Nursing for William E. Sullivan and grant his request for equivalency of a baccalaureate and masters in nursing.
2. In reference to Item 4.2: that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing grant continue full approval status to Baton Rouge General Medical Center School of Nursing with three suggestions and two recommendations. Recommendations are to be reported on in the 2001-2002 Annual Report.

Suggestions:

1. That the framework articulate the professional standards that guide the program goals.
2. That funds be allocated for faculty participation in conferences and workshops to assure knowledge of trends and developments in nursing and nursing education.
3. Analyze the need for support staff as one person for direct support to the Director and faculty is minimum.

Recommendations:

1. That one additional faculty be added to support the workload of the faculty relative to continuing program and faculty development and evaluation, and to facilitate special projects. (LAC 46:XLVII.3515.A and B.6)
2. That tools be developed for the collection of data and that program records document the systematic analysis and use of data for program improvement. (LAC 46:XLVII.3523).
3. In reference to item 4.3: that the application to establish a LPN to BSN program by the University of Phoenix College of Health Sciences and Nursing be sanctioned by the Board to continue with the development of the proposed program. Further, University of Phoenix is reminded that in accordance with §3533.2.c, public announcements of the opening of the proposed program and preadmission of students shall not occur prior to the receipt of initial Board approval.

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING
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MINUTES OF APRIL 23, 2002
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- Call to Order:** The meeting of the Education Committee of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing was called to order by Ms. Bourgeois at 9:07 a.m. on April 23, 2002, at 3510 North Causeway Blvd, Suite 501, Metairie, Louisiana.
- Presiding:** Patricia Bourgeois, MSN, CNS, RN, Chairperson
- Roll Call:** Patricia Bourgeois, MSN, CNS, RN
Owald (Alex) Ferry, EdD, CRNA, RN
Enrica Singleton, DrPH, RN
Karen Moody, PhD, RN C
- Staff:** Ellienne T. Tate, EdD, RN
Credentialing Director for Education/Licensure
- Cynthia Morris, MSN, RN
Assistant Executive Director
- Deborah Humphery, MSN, APRN
Credentialing Manager (left at 9:40 a.m.)
- Lydia Favorite, Licensure Analyst for Education
- Guests:** Margaret Shannon, PhD, RN (Our Lady of Holy Cross)
Barbara Moffett, PhD, RN (Southeastern)
Dianne Thames, DSN, RN (Delgado/Charity)
Pam Fuller, MN, RN (University of Phoenix)
Beth Patton (University of Phoenix)
Jan Simoneaux, MN, RN (University of Phoenix)
Peg Edwards MSN, RN (ULM)
Carol Tingle, MSN, RN (BRGMC)

Review and Approval of Previous Minutes:

Ms. Bourgeois read the Major Motion statement concerning the University of Louisiana at Monroe. Accepted the 2000-20001 annual report for the University of Louisiana Monroe, BSN program and continued “full approval” status of the nursing program. Further more the Board recognized that ULM is not in compliance with LAC 46:XLVII.3515.8. the number of faculty exception should not exceed 20% of the full time nurse faculty in the program. Annual report indicated that the faculty exception at ULM was 24.1% in the future may lead to a change in approval status and this was communicated to ULM.

The Minutes of January 22, 2002 meeting were reviewed. There were corrections on pages 5, 7 and 8.

by Dr. Ferry that the Minutes be approved with corrections.

Motion:

Seconded by Dr. Moody.

Voice-vote: Ferry-yes, Moody-yes, Singleton-yes. Motion carried.

William E. Sullivan Requests a Faculty Equivalency:

Ms. Bourgeois stated that after a lengthy discussion at the Board meeting this request was sent back to the Education Committee. A lengthy discussion ensued. Committee members stated that Mr. Sullivan had obtained all the requirements for a BSN but at a higher level.

by Dr. Ferry that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing recognize the Masters in Nursing for William E. Sullivan and grant his request for equivalency of a baccalaureate and masters in nursing.

Motion:

Seconded by Dr. Moody.

Voice-vote: Ferry-yes, Moody-yes, Singleton-yes. Motions carried.

Clarification on the Definition of Appropriate Accrediting Body as Stated in the Professional and Occupational Standard (§3513.B.):

Dr. Tate stated that the National Accrediting bodies recognized as appropriate accrediting bodies in institution of higher education is the Southern Association of College and School (SACS) for Louisiana and regional accreditation in other state. Staff asked for direction from the Education Committee, a lengthy discussion followed. The Education Committee suggested that a proposal be put in writing to institute rule change and that a fact sheet be developed by staff.

Baton Rouge General Medical Center School of Nursing joint NLNAC/LSBN Site-Visit Report:

A review of the joint NLNAC/LSBN site-visit was present by Ms. Bourgeois. Ms. Carol Tingle, Interim Director was present to answer any concerns of the Education Committee. Ms. Tingle stated that the joint visit was good for then because Dr. Tate was a known and that help relieved some of the faculty anxiety as they dealt with people on a national level. Ms. Tingle stated that it was a positive experience.

Motion:

by Dr. Singleton that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing grant continue full approval status to Baton Rouge General Medical Center School of Nursing with three suggestions and two recommendations.

Recommendations are to be reported on in the 2001-2002 Annual Report. **Suggestions:**

Respectfully submitted by:

Ellienne T. Tate, EdD, RN
Credentialing Director for Education/Licensure