

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING  
3510 N. CAUSEWAY BOULEVARD  
SUITE 501  
METAIRIE, LA 70002

MINUTES OF JULY 16, 2002  
EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

- Call to Order:** The meeting of the Education Committee of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing was called to order by Ms. Bourgeois at 9:00 a.m. on July 16, 2002, at 3510 North Causeway Blvd, Suite 601, Metairie, Louisiana.
- Presiding:** Patricia Bourgeois, MSN, CNS, RN, Chairperson
- Roll Call:** Patricia Bourgeois, MSN, CNS, RN  
Oswald (Alex) Ferry, EdD, CRNA, RN  
Karen Moody, PhD, RN C  
Nora Steele, DNS, RN, C, PNP
- Staff:** Deborah Humphrey, C-WHNP, RN  
Regional Manager (Credentialing)
- Cynthia Morris, MSN, RN  
Assistant Executive Director
- Lydia Favorite, Licensure Analyst for Education
- Guests:** Barbara Moffett, PhD, RN (Southeastern)  
Patricia Egers, MS, RN (Delgado/Charity)  
Dianne Thames, DSN, RN (Delgado/Charity)  
Carol Tingle, MSN, RN (BRGMC)  
Esperanza V. Joyce, EdD, CNS, RN (OLOL)  
Carol Leefe, MSN, RN
- Review and Approval of Previous Minutes:** The Minutes of April 23, 2002 meeting were reviewed. There were no correction or revision. Minutes are accepted as circulated.
- Clarification of Definition of Appropriate Accrediting Bodies as Stated in §3513.B. and a Written Proposal to Initiate Rule Making:** The Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs was inadvertently eliminated from the materials initially provided for review, therefore a revised copy was distributed to the Committee. The information was reviewed and it was suggested that on page 2 of section §3503 Definitions (National Nursing Accrediting Body that part B of the last sentence should read (for graduate anesthesia programs, the recognized national accrediting body is the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs.)

**Motion:**

by Dr. Ferry that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing accept the definitions of appropriate accrediting body and national nursing accrediting body as specified in the definitions in Chapter 35 and recommend for rule making.

Seconded by Dr. Moody.

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

**C. E. Provider –  
Re-approval Status  
Lake Charles Memorial  
Hospital:**

Ms. Bourgeois presented the request for Provider re-approval status for Lake Charles Memorial Hospital.

**Motion:**

by Dr. Moody that the Education Committee re-approve Lake Charles Memorial Hospital as a Louisiana State Board of Nursing provider of continuing education for two (2) years, beginning July 26, 2002 and ending July 26, 2004 with recommendations:

**Recommendations:**

1. Include refund policy on program offering announcements.
2. Include compliance with ADA on program offering announcements

Seconded by Dr. Ferry.

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

**Site-visit St. Tammany  
Hospital Provider  
Number 26, Due to  
Change in Personnel:**

The Site-visit for St. Tammany Hospital was presented by Ms. Bourgeois. Ms. Bourgeois stated that the new Department Head for Education is Kathy Viator, DNS, RN and that all criteria continue to be met.

**Motion:**

by Dr. Moody that the Education Committee will accept the changes in the continuing education program at St. Tammany Hospital and verify continued approval.

Seconded by Dr. Ferry.

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

**Evaluation of Academic  
Credentials to  
Determine Equivalency  
of a Baccalaureate and  
a Masters in Nursing to  
Meet Qualifications for**

The request for academic credentials equivalency of a baccalaureate and masters in nursing to meet qualifications for a faculty position was presented by Ms. Bourgeois. Dr. Steele requested that she be excused from voting on this issue because she recruited the faculty in question. Ms. Humphrey stated that Ms. Carol Leefe was present and that her application file was available for any questions. Staff reported that Ms. Leefe's academic credentials have been evaluated by Dr. Tate. It was stated that Vanderbilt, a well established RN to MSN program, requires a total of 64 credit hours in nursing to earn the masters and Ms. Leefe has 83

**a Faculty Position.  
(§3515.B.4):**

credit hours in nursing (44 credit hours undergraduate and 39 graduate hours). In addition, she holds a Masters in Nursing from a nationally accredited nursing program.

**Motion:**

by Dr. Ferry that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing accept the academic credentials equivalency of Carol Leefe for a faculty position at Delgado Community College/Charity School of Nursing according to LAC 46:XLVII.3515.3.

Seconded by Dr. Moody.

Voice-vote: Ferry-yes, Moody-yes. Motion carried. Dr. Steele was excused from the voting.

Ms. Bourgeois announced the items distributed for information as follows:

**Review of FYI Items:**

1. St. Tammany Parish Hospital appoints new Department Head of Continuing Education.
2. Louisiana State University at Alexandria announces the retirement of Ms. Wanda Guidry as Head of the Division of Nursing and Health Sciences, effective July 31, 2002 and the appointment of Dr. Sandra K. Tucker, effective August 1, 2002.
3. Dr. Louise Plaisance reported the end of her contract as Acting Dean of Our Lady of the Lake College effective May 31, 2002. Dr. Plaisance expressed thanks to everyone at LSBN for the prompt response to her inquiries.
4. Our Lady of the Lake College announces the appointment of Dr. Phyllis LeBlanc, as Interim Dean of Nursing effective June 1, 2002.
5. Our Lady of the Lake College announces appointment of Esperanza Villanueva Joyce, EdD, CNS, RN as Dean, Division of Nursing effective July 1, 2002. Dr. Esperanza Villanueva Joyce, EdD, CNS, RN was present.

10:00 a.m.

**Adjournment:**

**Respectfully submitted by:**

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

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**Deborah Humphrey, C-WHNP, RN  
RN Manager (Credentialing)**

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**Patricia Bourgeois, MSN, CNS, RN  
Chairperson, Education Committee**