

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING  
3510 NORTH CAUSEWAY BLVD., SUITE 601  
METAIRIE, LOUISIANA 70002**

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2005**

**Call to Order:** This regular board meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Patsy Bourgeois, President, on Wednesday, June 15, 2005, at the Louisiana State Board of Nursing, 3510 North Causeway, Suite 601, Metairie, Louisiana 70002.

**Roll Call:** The following members were in attendance:  
Patricia Bourgeois, MSN, CNS, RN, President  
Deborah Ford, MSN, RN, CNA, Vice-President  
Frankie Rosenthal, MSN, RN, CNS, CNA, Alternate Officer  
Tommie J. Ashby, RN, MSN  
Elsie Crapanzano, MSN, RN  
James E. Harper, RN, MSN, CFNP  
Karen Moody, PhD, RNC  
Deborah Olds, RN  
Nora Steele, DNS, RN, C, PNP  
Alan J. Ostrowe, MD, Ex-Officio Member  
William St. John LaCorte, MD, Ex-Officio Member

The following staff members were in attendance:  
Barbara Morvant, MN, RN, Executive Director  
Cynthia Morris, MSN, APRN, Assistant Executive Director  
Barbara McGill, MSN, RN, Compliance/Practice Director  
Margaret Griener, MPH, APRN, PNP, Credentialing Manager  
Ellienne Tate, EdD, RN, RN Consultant for Education/Research  
Thania Elliott, RN, MSH, JD, RN Regional Manager-Compliance  
Cathy Maher-Storm, RN, MA, RN Regional Manager-RNP  
Joy Peterson, BSN, RN, RN Regional Manager-Compliance  
Lesley Rye, MSN, RN, RN Regional Manager-Compliance  
Michelle Wells, MSHCM, BSN, RNC, RN Regional Manager-Compliance  
E. Wade Shows, Board Attorney  
Celia Cangelosi, Board Attorney  
Helen Forrest, Licensing Analyst Supervisor-Compliance  
Sabrita Pierre, Accountant  
Julie Comeaux, Executive Services Assistant  
Suzanne Armand, Court Reporter

**Introduction:** President P. Bourgeois established that a quorum of the Board was present.

**Opening Prayer:** The meeting opened with a prayer by D. Ford.

**Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, that the President be granted the authority to reorder the agenda.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**March 14-15, 2005 Special Session Hearing**

**Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, that the Board approve the minutes of the March

14-15, 2005, Special Session Hearings.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-  
yes

Motion Carried

**March 16, 2005 General Board Meeting**

**Motion:** by F. Rosenthal, seconded, that the Board approves the minutes of the March 16, 2005 General Board Meeting.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-  
yes

Motion Carried

**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT:**

P. Bourgeois presented a written report. (Report on file.)

**Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, that the Report of the President be accepted.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-  
yes

Motion Carried

**REPORT OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT:**

D. Ford presented the Vice-President's report and financial summary.  
(Report on file)

**ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES:**

**AGENDA ITEM 2.1:**

**VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT AND THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
REPORT (JANUARY 1, 2005 – MARCH 31, 2005)**

The Board reviewed and discussed the Vice-President's Report and Third Quarter Financial Statement.

**Motion:** by F. Rosenthal, seconded, to accept the Vice-President's Report and Third Quarter Financial Statement.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-  
yes

Motion Carried

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:**

A report of the Executive Director for the Third Quarter (January 1, 2005–  
March 31, 2005) was distributed.

B. Morvant reported that Dr. Moody and Dr. Tate have published an article regarding the regulation of nursing students entitled, The Public Good Regulation of Nursing Students. Their article appears in *Journal of Nursing Administration*, the April to June Edition, Volume 7, No. 2 (2005).

The 2005 Legislative Session report was also distributed. The proposed legislation to require the Board of Nursing to join the Nurse Licensure Compact was converted to a study resolution. The Nursing Supply and Demand Commission were charged with conducting the study. The Louisiana State Nurses Association (LSNA) supported the Board in its lobbying efforts to contact the senator and to support this change.

Senator Winston sponsored a bill to require licensure of adult brain injury facilities. The Board had some concerns that the bill allowed for unlicensed medication administration to occur in these facilities with a minimum RN requirement for a nurse consultant. The bill was amended to require a RN nurse director who is available depending on the acuity level of the facility.

House Bill 697, provided for unlicensed PCA workers to administer medicines on a one-to-one situation in the individual's residence. Under current Department of Health and Hospital (DHH) rules the physician can authorize the unlicensed person to administer medications. The Board is working with DHH, so that there will be training, oversight, and patient specific training which are not required now. HB 697 is now through the Senate Health and Welfare Committee and is now on the floor of the senate. It is anticipated that there will be an attempt on the senate floor to amend this bill to expand medication attendants into nursing homes. The Board is opposed to the amendment until there is further study and discussion. The LSNA is asking nurses to call their senators and oppose any amendment to that bill.

**Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, to accept the report of the Executive Director for the Third Quarter January 1, 2005–March 31, 2005.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM 2.2**  
**RESULTS OF PROPERTY SEARCH, APPROVAL TO PURCHASE PROPERTY**  
**LOCATED AT 1500 RIVER OAKS ROAD, HARAHAH, LOUISIANA**

B. Morvant stated that at the last committee meeting of April 26, 2005 Board members were given the opportunity to view one of the buildings that came available for the Board to purchase at 1500 River Oaks Road West in Harahan. Since that time, staff has been involved in activity to move forward with considering offering a purchase agreement. Staff has worked with Board Attorney, Mr. Shows' office in developing a purchase offer.

Hibernia representatives were present to answer questions from Board members or to talk about opportunities for funding of the property.

B. Morvant stated she is ready to move forward on the matter if Board grants authorization to make an offer on the property and enter into an agreement with the bank.

An estimated mortgage schedule was distributed, which shows, even under the current budget, the affordability of the property.

**Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, to grant B. Morvant permission to negotiate an offer and enter into a loan agreement with the bank to purchase property located at 1500 River Oaks Road in Harahan, Louisiana.

Discussion ensued regarding the proposed contract to purchase.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**ACTIONS ON DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS HELD ON JUNE 13 AND 14, 2005**

B. Morvant announced the names of those registrants whose files were presented at the Monday, June 13 and Tuesday, June 14, 2005 Disciplinary Hearings.

**Sonya Honeycutt**

The matter was heard as a ratification of Summary Suspension by Board staff and charges as filed.

**Recused:** Deborah Olds was recused from this matter.

**Motion:** by E. Crapanzano, seconded, that the Board ratifies the summary suspension by staff against this individual as the Board finds that the public health, safety and welfare required this emergency action.

And further that the license of this registrant is suspended and she shall not be able to request reinstatement until the following stipulations are met:

Immediately surrender current RN license to the Board's staff to be retained in the registrant's file.

Refrain from working in any capacity as a registered nurse. Failure to do so shall cause further disciplinary action and/or criminal charges.

Submit to a comprehensive 5 to 7 day in-patient psychiatric, psychological and substance abuse evaluation by a psychiatrist, clinical psychologist and addictionist who have been approved by the board. Shall authorize and cause a written report of the said evaluations to be submitted to the Board. Shall include the entire evaluation report including diagnosis, course of treatment, prescribed or recommended treatment, prognosis and professional opinion as to registrant's capability of practicing nursing with reasonable skill and safety to patients.

Immediately submit to all recommendations thereafter of the therapist, physician, or treatment team, and cause to have submitted evidence of continued compliance with all recommendations by the respective professionals. This stipulation shall continue until the registrant is fully discharged by the respective professionals and until approved by the Board staff.

If the evaluations give any treatment recommendations or findings to warrant concern for patient safety, shall meet with Board or Board staff. Must demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Board that she poses no danger to the practice of nursing or to the public and that she can safely and competently perform the duties of a registered nurse.

If the Board approves reinstatement of license, a period of probation, along with supportive conditions or stipulations, will be required to ensure that patients and the public are protected.

If found to be chemically dependent, immediately sign an agreement with

the Recovering Nurse Program, and cause to have submitted evidence of compliance with all program requirements for a minimum of 3 years.

Prior to request for reinstatement, submit written evidence of completion of 10 hours of LSBN staff approved continuing education hours to include the areas of Medication Administration, Documentation, and Legal Accountability.

Prior to request for reinstatement, submit to the Board a payment of \$1,200 to the Board as cost of this hearing and a \$300 fine.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes  
Motion Carried

**Laceche Gordon-Littleton**

The matter was heard by the Board in response to Charges and Show Cause Order as filed.

**Motion:** by K. Moody, seconded, that this individual is denied approval to take the NCLEX-RN and is denied licensure in Louisiana.

Further, a letter of reprimand is issued and becomes a part of this applicant's permanent file regarding the incident which brought this applicant before the Board: Failure to Disclose.

Also, prior to licensure, this individual must pay all fines and costs and must show cause as to why she should be licensed to practice as a registered nurse in Louisiana.

Further, pay \$500 as a fine and \$1,200 in hearing costs.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**Cherlyn Armstrong-Scherer**

C. Scherer appeared before the Board with counsel in response to Ratification of Summary Suspension by Board staff and Charges as filed.

**Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, that the Board ratifies Summary Suspension of staff against this individual as the Board finds that the public health, safety and welfare required this emergency action.

Further, the license of this registrant is suspended, and she shall not be able to request reinstatement until both of the following are met:

1. Either a dismissal or the rendition of a court determination on the merits of the pending federal criminal matter has occurred.
2. And until she appears before the Board to show cause as to why she should be allowed to practice as a registered nurse.

Further, prior to appearing before the Board, submit payment of \$600 to the Board as cost of this hearing.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-

yes

Motion Carried

**Lisa Maxwell**

L. Maxwell appeared before the Board with counsel in response to charges as filed.

**Recused:**

N. Steele and D. Olds were recused from this hearing.

**Motion:**

by K. Moody, seconded, that a formal letter of reprimand is issued and becomes a part of this registrant's permanent file, regarding the incident which brought this registrant before the board; and that the following stipulations shall be completed:

Not have any misconduct, criminal violations or convictions or violations of any health care regulations reported to the Board related to this or any other incidents.

Within 30 days, submit to a comprehensive out-patient, psychiatric, psychological and substance abuse evaluation by a psychiatrist, clinical psychologist and addictionist who have been approved by the Board. Shall authorize and cause a written report of the said evaluations to be submitted to the Board. Shall include the entire evaluation report including diagnosis, course of treatment, prescribed or recommended treatment, prognosis and professional opinion as to registrant's capability of practicing nursing with reasonable skill and safety to patients.

Immediately submit to all recommendations thereafter of the therapist, physician, or treatment team, and cause to have submitted evidence of continued compliance with all recommendations by the respective professionals. This stipulation shall continue until the registrant is fully discharged by the respective professionals and until approved by the Board staff.

If the evaluations give any treatment recommendations or findings to warrant concern for patient safety, shall meet with Board or Board staff. Must demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Board, that she possess no danger to the practice of nursing or to the public and that she can safely and competently perform the duties of a registered nurse.

If the Board approves licensure, a period of probation, along with supportive conditions or stipulations, will be required to ensure that patients and the public are protected. Or if the Board approves continued licensure, the probation period, conditions or stipulations, may be revised to ensure that patents and the public are protected.

If found to be chemically dependent, immediately sign an agreement with the Recovering Nurse Program, and cause to have submitted evidence of compliance with all program requirements for a minimum of 2 years.

Within 6 months, submit written evidence of 10 hours of LSBN staff approved continuing education hours to include the areas of Legal Aspects of Nursing Care, Medication Administration and Legal Accountability.

Within 24 months, submit payment of \$5500 to the Board as cost of this hearing.

Failure to comply with the above orders, receipt of an unfavorable report, or non-receipt of reports on or before the date due shall result in the immediate suspension of this registrant's license for a minimum of 2 years.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes  
Motion Carried

**Teresa Houts**

T. Houts appeared before the Board with request for Exception.

**Motion:** by J. Harper, seconded, that licensure by endorsement be granted upon completion of the endorsement application requirements.

That a payment of \$900 be submitted to the Board as cost of this hearing prior to issuance of license.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**Johanna Lawrence Barton**

The matter was heard in response to charges as filed

**Motion:** by T. Ashby, seconded, that it is ordered, adjudged, and decreed that this individual is fined \$15,000 and assessed \$450 for the cost of this hearing.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**Sonya Richard**

The matter was heard before the Board as a ratification of Summary Suspension by Board staff and charges as filed.

**Motion:** by J. Harper, seconded, it is ordered, adjudged and decreed that the Board ratify the summary suspension by staff against this individual as the Board finds that the public health, safety and welfare required this emergency action. And further, that the license of this registrant continues to be suspended with application for reinstatement contingent upon meeting the following stipulations. Prior to requesting reinstatement:

Immediately surrender current RN license to Board staff to be retained in the registrant's file.

Refrain from working in any capacity as a registered nurse. Failure to do so shall cause further disciplinary action and/or criminal charges.

Submit to a comprehensive 5 to 7 day in-patient psychiatric, psychological and substance abuse evaluation by a psychiatrist, clinical psychologist and addictionist who have been approved by the Board; Shall authorize and cause a written report of the said evaluations to be submitted to the Board; Shall include the entire evaluation report including diagnosis, course of treatment, prescribed or recommended treatment, prognosis and professional opinion as to the registrant's capability of practicing nursing with reasonable skill and safety to patients.

Immediately submit to all recommendations thereafter of the therapist, physician, or treatment team, and cause to have submitted evidence of continued compliance with all recommendations by the respective

professionals. This stipulation shall continue until the registrant is fully discharged by the respective professionals and until approved by the Board staff.

If the evaluations give any treatment recommendations or findings to warrant concern for patient safety, shall meet with Board or Board staff. Must demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Board that she poses no danger to the practice of nursing or to the public and that she can safely and competently perform the duties of a registered nurse.

If the Board approves reinstatement, a period of probation, along with supportive conditions or stipulations, will be required to ensure that patients and the public are protected.

If found to be chemically dependent, immediately sign an agreement with the Recovering Nurse Program, and cause to have submitted evidence of compliance with all program requirements for a minimum of 3 years. Shall provide evidence of compliance for a minimum of 6 months before requesting reinstatement.

Submit certified copies of all criminal charges. Have resolved any and all pending criminal arrests, convictions, probation, and parole including any pre-trial diversion programs prior to request for Board considerations.

Submit written evidence of completion of 20 hours of LSBN staff approved continuing education hours to include the areas of Medication Administration and Documentation, Legal Accountability, and Chemical Dependency in Healthcare Providers.

Submit a payment of \$900 fine and \$900 cost to the Board for the hearing.

Further, after completion of above, and if approved by evaluators and Board staff for reinstatement, shall require probation and monitoring.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**Jeremy Trahan**

J. Trahan appeared before the Board in response to charges as filed.

**Motion:** by D. Olds, seconded, that the license of this registrant is suspended with a stay of the said suspension, and that the license is probated for 24 months with the following stipulations:

Within 3 days of this order, the Board office can mark the license “probated.”

Submit certified copies of the resolution of all criminal charges.

Prior to accepting a position or returning to work, inform all nursing employers of these disciplinary measures and of the probationary status of license. Within 5 days, shall cause all employers to submit, in writing to the Board, that they have reviewed all pages of this order.

Have all immediate nursing supervisors submit a performance evaluation report quarterly commencing from the first date of employment.

Immediately (within 72 hours) inform the Board in writing of any change



in address.

Immediately inform the Board in writing of all places of employment. If employment changes, the Board shall be immediately (within 72 hours) notified in writing.

If unemployed inform the Board in writing on a quarterly basis.

Shall engage in the practice of professional nursing in Louisiana for a minimum of 24 hours per week for a minimum of 12 consecutive months.

Not have any misconduct, criminal violations or convictions, or violations of any healthcare regulations reported to the Board related to this or any other incidents.

Within 60 days, submit to a comprehensive outpatient psychiatric, psychological and substance abuse evaluation by a psychiatrist, clinical psychologist who have been approved by the Board; Shall authorize and cause a written report of the said evaluation to be submitted to the Board; Shall include the entire evaluation report including diagnosis, course of treatment, prescribed or recommended treatment, prognosis and professional opinion as to the registrant's capability of practicing nursing with reasonable skill and safety to patients.

Immediately submit to all recommendations thereafter of the therapist, physician, or treatment team, and cause to have submitted evidence of continued compliance with all recommendations by the respective professionals. This stipulation shall continue until the registrant is fully discharged by the respective professionals and until approved by the Board staff.

If the evaluations give any treatment recommendations or findings to warrant concern for patient safety, shall meet with Board or Board staff. Must demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Board that he poses no danger to the practice of nursing or to the public and that he can safely and competently perform the duties of a registered nurse.

Within 6 months, submit written evidence of completion of 5 hours of LSBN staff approved continuing education hours to include the areas of Legal/Ethical Issues.

Within 12 months, submit payment of \$900 to the Board as cost of this hearing.

Submit a monthly probation fee of \$25.00 to the Board, beginning after the first month of employment.

Failure to comply with the above orders, receipt of an unfavorable report, or non-receipt of reports on or before the date due shall result in the immediate suspension of this registrant's license for a minimum of 2 years.

This suspension can be imposed by action of the Executive Director subject to the discretionary review of the Board.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE:**

No agenda items.

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE:**

N. Steele reported that the Education Committee met on January 26, 2005 and made the following recommendations:

**AGENDA ITEM 4.1:**  
**SITE-VISIT REPORT FOR LOUISIANA TECH UNIVERSITY**

**Motion:** by N. Steele, seconded, to recommend continuing full approval of the Associate of Science in Nursing program at Louisiana Tech University with two recommendations, two suggestions, and one commendation as follows:

Recommendations:

1. Seek to attain 100% masters in nursing prepared faculty, LAC46:XLVII.3515.A.4, and document efforts to do so in the 2005 Annual Report of the program to the LSBN.
2. Continue to seek to add a faculty masters in nursing prepared in psych mental health nursing, LAC46:XLVII.3515.A, and document efforts to do so in the 2005 Annual Report of the program to the LSBN

Suggestions:

1. Expand physical facilities to assure adequate space for the conduct of the program (LAC 46:XLVII.3519.A.B.C).
2. Increase secretarial services to meet the needs of the program (LAC46:XLVII.3519.F).

Commendation:

Commend the Director and faculty of the Division of Nursing for their positive and effective relationships with students.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM 4.2:**  
**SITE-VISIT TO LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AT ALEXANDRIA, ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING PROGRAM**

**Motion:** by N. Steele, seconded, to recommend continuing full approval of the associate of science in nursing program at Louisiana State University at Alexandria with 5 commendations, 1 suggestion, and 2 recommendations, and that the recommendations be addressed in the 2005 Annual Report to the Board:

Commendations:

1. Extensive physical and learning resources
2. Stable and experienced faculty and department head
3. Strong and positive supportive relationships of faculty and students
4. Positive and extensive interface with the community
5. Leadership role of the faculty within the University

Suggestions:

1. Review adequacy of support services in light of 31% of University enrollment in nursing and in light of plans to propose a BSN completion program (LAC46:XLVII.3519.F).

Recommendations:

1. Continue to seek 100% masters prepared faculty (LAC46:XLVII.3515.B.4).
2. Revise mission and/or curriculum to assure appropriateness of “caring for the community” and if retained, identify and assure consistency throughout curriculum.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM 4.3:**

**SITE-VISIT TO OUR LADY OF HOLY CROSS COLLEGE, BACCALAUREATE IN NURSING PROGRAM**

**Motion:** by N. Steele, seconded, to recommend continuing full approval of the baccalaureate in nursing program at Our Lady of Holy Cross with 3 commendations as follows:

1. Academically prepared Dean and faculty.
2. Commitment of faculty and students to the mission of the institution.
3. Consistent achievement of program outcomes.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM 4.4:**

**OUR LADY OF THE LAKE COLLEGE SITE-VISIT FOR THE PURPOSE OF INITIAL APPROVAL OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ANESTHESIA PROGRAM**

**Motion:** by N. Steele, seconded, recommend initial approval of the Master of Science in Anesthesia program at Our Lady of the Lake College to prepare CRNAs for APRN licensure, contingent upon accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Colleges, (SACS-COC), and Commission on Accreditation of Anesthesia Programs (COA).

Recommend that the Master of Science in anesthesia program at Our Lady of the Lake College specify admission requirements requiring candidates to hold a baccalaureate degree in nursing or its equivalent as approved by the Board. Further, that the initial applicants entering should have a BSN; those with equivalency would have to be submitted to the Board for review along with OLOLC’s definition of BSN equivalency.

Recommend that the Master of Science in Anesthesia program at Our Lady of the Lake College recommend that program application interviews be approved with the understanding that all materials state that the program may not open without accreditation from the SACS and COA which is anticipated in June 2005; no student may be accepted before SACS and COA accreditation is received.

Idena Carroll-Perez, with Our Lady of the Lake College, reported that they have received a verbal report from Dr. Francis Gerbasi stating that they have approved the program, pending receipt of the new clinical site

request which has been completed.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM 4.5:**

**NICHOLLS STATE UNIVERSITY, CURRICULUM CHANGES IN ASSOCIATE DEGREE AND BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAMS**

**Motion:** by N. Steele, seconded, recommend approval of the request of Nicholls State University for curriculum changes. These changes proposed are to modify the three articulation programs, LPN-ASN, LPN-BSN, and RN-BSN to assure compliance with the Louisiana Articulation Model for Nursing Education.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM 4.6:**

**MCNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF NURSING; BOARD RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSITY**

**Motion:** by N. Steele, seconded, recommend adoption of a resolution recognizing McNeese State University College of Nursing on its 50<sup>th</sup> year of operation.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM 4.7:**

**BATON ROUGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE – ADVERTISEMENT OF ANTICIPATED ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH**

**Motion:** by N. Steele, seconded, recommend that Baton Rouge Community College be notified that until they complete Step II of §3533.B, and are sanctioned by the LSBN to proceed with the development of the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing program, all advertisement of intention to establish an associate degree nursing program shall cease.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM 4.8:**

**SOWELA TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE – PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH AN ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING PROGRAM.**

**Motion:** by N. Steele, seconded, recommend that supplemental information be submitted relative to the following:

1. Status of SACS/COC accreditation
2. Availability of qualified faculty
3. Assurance of adequate funding
4. Plans for the employment of a qualified program head

Further, that public announcement of the opening of the proposed program shall not occur prior to the sanction by the Board to proceed with the development of the program.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Required

**AGENDA ITEM 4.9**

**REQUEST FOR FACULTY EXCEPTIONS TO FACULTY QUALIFICATIONS – LAC 46:XLVII.3515.B.7**

**Motion:** by N. Steele, seconded, recommend approval of **Donna Carol Thomason Bonfani** – LSU HSC for February 22, 2005 through April 15, 2005 and **Connie Ruth Smith Lewis** - University of Louisiana at Monroe.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**Motion:** by N. Steele, seconded, to accept the report of the Education Committee.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE:**

**Motion:** by D. Olds, seconded, to accept the report of the Compliance Committee.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**NURSING PRACTICE:**

**AGENDA ITEM 6.1:**

**RN PERFORMING ULTRASOUND TO DETERMINE FETAL PRESENTATION IN LABOR AND DELIVERY**

**Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, to accept the Practice Committee recommendation to table the request for an opinion related to the RN performing ultrasound to determine fetal presentation in labor and delivery until such time as the petitioner and/or Board staff can present requirements for ultrasound proficiency and training and to survey other states regarding this matter.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM 6.2:**

**RN (OR NURSES) ASSISTING IN THE CLOSURE OF THE SKIN WITH A SKIN STAPLER OR SUTURES WHILE THE SURGEON IS PRESENT, MANAGING THE WOUND AND POSITIONING THE SKIN.**

**Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, to accept the Practice Committee recommendation to delay the decision on RNs assisting in the closure of the skin with a skin stapler or sutures while the surgeon is present managing the position

of the skin pending directing staff to obtain more information from the RN First Assistant Association and other appropriate sources.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM 6.3:**

**ADMINISTRATION OF NATRECOR IN THE HOME SETTING WITH RN SUPERVISION**

**Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, accept the Practice Committee recommendation to defer the decision on the administration of Natrecor in the home setting with RN supervision pending the petitioner being present to answer specific guidelines and policies, as well as provide information on the history of administration in palliative care settings.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM 6.4:**

**CLARIFICATION AND/OR REVISION OF NPOP 93.22 APPLICATION AND/OR DELEGATION OF THE UNNA BOOT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL SETTINGS OTHER THAN IN THE HOME SETTING**

**Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, approve that in accordance with R.S. 37:913(14)(1) that it is within the scope of practice of the Registered Nurse to apply compression therapy (Unna boot) provided said nurse has the necessary knowledge, skills and abilities. This is a complex task which may be delegated to Licensed Practical Nurses in all settings based on compliance with LAC 46:XLVII.3703.Delegating Nursing Interventions as follows:

Delegating Nursing Interventions – entrusting the performance of selected nursing tasks by the registered nurse to other competent nursing personnel in selected situations. The registered nurse retains accountability for the total nursing care of the individuals. The registered nurse is responsible for and accountable to each consumer of nursing care for the quality of nursing care he or she receives, regardless of whether the care is provided solely by the registered nurse or by the registered nurse in conjunction with other licensed or unlicensed assistive personnel. The registered nurse shall assess the patient care situation which encompasses the stability of the clinical environment and the clinical acuity of the patient including the overall complexity of the patient's health care problems. This assessment shall be utilized to assist in determining which tasks may be delegated and the amount of supervision which will be required.

a. Any situation where tasks are delegated should meet the following criteria:

- i. the person has been adequately trained for the task;
- ii. the person has demonstrated that the task has been learned;
- iii. the person can perform the task safely in the given nursing situation;
- iv. the patient's status is safe for the person to carry out the tasks;
- v. appropriate supervision is available during the task implementation;
- vi. the task is in an established policy of the nursing practice setting and the policy is written, recorded and available to

all.

b. The registered nurse may delegate to licensed practical nurses the major part of the nursing care needed by individuals in stable nursing situations, i.e., when the following three conditions prevail at the same time in a given situation:

- i. nursing care ordered and directed by R.N./M.D. requires abilities based on a relatively fixed and limited body of scientific fact and can be performed by following a defined nursing procedure with minimum alteration, and responses of the individual to the nursing care are predictable; and
- ii. change in the patient's clinical conditions is predictable; and
- iii. medical and nursing orders are not subject to continuous change or complex modification.

c. In complex (unstable) situations, the registered nurse may utilize the expertise of the licensed practical nurse by delegating selected tasks. The registered nurse may not delegate the following nursing functions relative to intravenous medications and fluids:

- i. administration of investigational drugs;
- ii. administration of cancer therapeutic drugs;
- iii. administration of medications by IV push, other than those defined by health agency protocol for emergency situations;
- iv. administration of blood and blood products;
- v. administration of total parenteral nutrition solutions;
- vi. accessing the implanted device.

In situations where registered nurse supervision is unavailable or limited, such as in home health, the administration of intravenous medications and fluids may not be delegated. The registered nurse is responsible for knowing the cause and effect of every medication (s)he administers personally or through delegation. Delegation carries with it the responsibility to ascertain the competence of persons to whom delegation is made. Since supervision of personnel associated with nursing functions and delegation of selected nursing functions are included in the legal definition, it is the responsibility of the registered nurse to ascertain the competency of the persons to whom (s)he delegates the administration of medication.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM 6.5:**

**INJECTION OF LOCAL ANESTHETICS, STEROIDS, AND ANALGESICS FOR PAIN MANAGEMENT PURPOSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PERIPHERAL NERVE BLOCKS, EPIDURAL INJECTIONS (62310), AND SPINAL FACET JOINT INJECTIONS (64470 & 64472) WHEN THE CRNA CAN DOCUMENT EDUCATION, TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE IN PERFORMING SUCH PROCEDURES.**

**Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, that in reference to Agenda item 6.5 and in accordance with R.S. 37:913(1)(b) that it is within the scope of practice of a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) to perform procedures under the direction and supervision of a physician, involving the injection of local anesthetics, steroids, and analgesics for pain management

purposes, including but not limited to peripheral nerve blocks, epidural injection and spinal facet joint injections when the CRNA can document education, training, and experience in performing such procedures and has the knowledge skills and abilities to safely perform the procedure based on an order from the physician.

Dr. P. J. Hubble, Louisiana State Pain Commission, Interventional Pain Physician, expressed concerns regarding the petitioner of this practice, stating that there needs to be a formal investigation into the matter. Dr. Hubble supported the practice if the CRNA has demonstrated competence, education, training, and a formal educational program, and then proctored by interventional pain practitioners.

Dr. N. L. Ming, Pain Physician, furnished the Board the requirements from American Board Medical Specialty for training in pain medicine, which is the standard of care in the United States and in Louisiana. Dr. Ming expressed great concerns regarding the lack of appropriate specialty training and also an increase in narcotic abuse.

Dr. A. T. Parr, American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians, expressed concerns regarding the patient safety issue.

Dr. J. Ponder, President of Louisiana Society of Interventional Pain Physicians, voiced his concerns regarding the issue of the proper training.

Richard MacMillian, Esq, representing Mr. A. Rantz, in response to the concerns, stated that this request from Mr. Rantz was not requesting an expansion of the scope of practice but seeking clarification whether the procedures that are being performed are within the scope of practice of the CRNA. Further, that Mr. Rantz is not in the practice of pain management but in performing procedures that are prescribed by a physician and supervised by a Board Certified Anesthesiologist, in a licensed and Certified Ambulatory Surgery Centers. Mr. Rantz is credentialed by two Ambulatory Surgery Centers, and his clinical privileges are reviewed on a regular basis.

A discussion ensued regarding the relationship of Mr. Rantz and the outpatient surgical clinics.

Mr. Rantz commented that he has 13 years experience performing these procedures, proctored by a physician for over three years on a daily basis doing the procedures. Further, Mr. Rantz reported that the AANA does have a physician statement on pain management, also LSU Medical Center in its didactic program, does, in fact, require pain management in teaching CRNAs in the future.

Christine Langer, LANA, read into the record the standards for Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Program from the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthetists. Also, in the 2005 Candidate Handbook, Council on Certification of Nurse Anesthetists, which describes areas of didactic training in which applicants for certification will be tested, included is local and regional anesthesia appropriate pharmacology for local and regional anesthesia and pain management to include epidural anesthesia, infiltration nerve blocks and inter-theal narcotics.

A discussion ensued regarding the supervision of the CRNAs in the procedures.

Julia Bounds, President - LANA, read from a presentation at the Federation of State Medical Boards, 2005 Annual Meeting, by Barbara



Blakney, President of American Nurses Association..

D. Ford reported that the Board received written correspondence from: Firmin Pain Consultant, Melanie C. Firmin, M.D.; Luis N. Hernandez, M.D.; Spine Diagnostic & Treatment Center; J. Michael Burdine, M.D.; Vincent Forte, M.D.; and Steven K. Staires, M.D.

**(Break)**

**Amended Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, to defer back to the next Practice Committee that in reference to Agenda item 6.5 and in accordance with R.S. 37:913(1)(b) that it is within the scope of practice of a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) to perform procedures under the direction and supervision of a physician, involving the injection of local anesthetics, steroids, and analgesics for pain management purposes, including but not limited to peripheral nerve blocks, epidural injection and spinal facet joint injections when the CRNA can document education, training, and experience in performing such procedures and has the knowledge skills and abilities to safely perform the procedure based on an order from the physician.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, to accept the report of the practice Committee.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**Automatic Suspensions:**

There were thirty-four (34) matters heard as ratification of Automatic Suspensions by Board Staff.

**Motion:** by T. Ashby, seconded, that the Board ratify the Automatic Suspensions by staff of the following registrants:

- Susan Elizabeth Worley Adcock
- Melinda Coughran Allen
- Jonathan Driskill Barras
- Leah Annette Lightfoot Bickham
- Alyson Lee Ross Brainis
- Cynthia Carolyn Du Bois Campise
- Nanette Marie Lancaster Carney
- Roger W. Coleman
- Daniel Anthony Coughlin
- Frederick Lawrence Duracher, Jr.
- Gaylynn Marie Englade Egan
- Betty Lou Anderson Engelhart
- Pamela Sue Greer
- Charles Howell Groce
- Larry Eugene Haire
- Laura Denise Holt
- Jo Ann Lard Jones
- Maureen Anne Landry
- Pamela Kaye Haynes Mabile
- Charlene K. Maraffi
- Donna Sue Alwell Mc Cann
- Teri Lynn Bates McArthur

**Myla Sue Meaux  
Jill Marie Johnson Moreau  
Dana Latrice Peterson  
Eric Maurice Randall  
Josewayne Annette Dinger Ray  
Jerald Ray Simon, II  
Margaret L. Liebers Tanner  
Carmen Lynnette Andrews Terry  
Stacey Renee Nunenmacher Thomas  
Dana Hill Toler  
Trisha Ann Van Nattan  
Dick Allen Viator**

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-  
yes

Motion Carried

**CONSENT ORDERS:**

There were one hundred and twenty (120) matters that appeared before the Board in the form of Consent Orders entered into by Board Staff.

**Motion:** by N. Steele, seconded, that the Consent Orders for the following registrants be accepted:

**Nora Jacintha Alexander  
Keeonna Shawn Williams Baptiste  
Ryan Vincent Barbe  
Selena Maria Barthelemy  
Susan Rosemary Beeze-Gary  
E'Juene D. Berard  
Donald Stephens Berry Jr.  
Sallie Lee Bethea  
Lori Frances Gremillion Bigner  
Nicholas Paul Blount  
Dana Claire Brewer  
Rhonda Gale Weaver Brown  
Kathleen McCormick Bryan  
Mindy Leigh Shattuck Bryant  
Ashley Conn Burns  
Sarah Emily Burnett  
Amanda Leigh McGowan Butler  
Jaime Lee Campbell  
Amelia Dalonna Carter  
Stephanie Rachelle Mann Chambers  
Edward Allen Coleman  
Krysti Virginia Holloway Coleman  
Shana Marie Fontenot Coleman  
Lisa Beth Washington Comeaux  
John C. Comstock  
Angela Kay Courville  
Maryana Pizanie Crawford  
Tzucanow Daniel Cummings  
Linda Leatrice Daley  
Phaedra Lorelle Dannel  
Lavinia Lambert Darensburg  
Evelyn Ruthell Hickman Deggs  
Susan Nancy Degelos  
Alice E. Desandro  
Vicki Jan Sullivan Deville  
Vedetis Diles  
Chris A. Dipascal  
William Patrick Donovan  
Amanda Michelle Dubuisson  
Patricia Eileen Early  
Melaine Gail Extine**

**Tyisha Teresa Firstley  
Christine Maria Fisher  
Jacquelyn Gammage Fontenot  
Denise Yvette Hollingsworth Fuselier  
Amie Lynn Galle  
Triniece Marie Recasner Gaines  
Joyce Desiree Fuller Glover  
Gustavo Gomez, II  
Valerie Ann Grant  
Jeffery Scott Graves  
Rhonda Lynn Brown Graves  
Lori Anne Johnson Gray  
Mark Joseph Guarisco  
Leah Lynn Pastor Guilbeau  
Angela Michelle Herod  
Janeen Lee Higgins  
Kathy Elaine Redfoot Himelrick  
Candice Brooke Hojem  
Jo Ann McAlister Hose  
Lana Marie Cauley Houlihan  
Scott Matthew Hunter  
Keione Lynette Wilson Jackson  
Sharyn Sue Janes  
Shameka Ann Johnson  
Lasheka Comise Jones  
Roberta Maxine Kalmanson  
Jeanne Davis Karam  
John Harold Kellogg  
Didaciane Gatete Keys  
Brandon Scott King  
Amy Michelle Ashley Kulivan  
Christine Maria Jenkins Lafleur  
Kathleen Ann LaFleur  
Luke Anthony Leader  
Sherelle Marie Leblanc  
Todd Brian Leonard  
William Abbott Lewis  
Charles Walter Loup  
Gregory Wise Lynn  
Jeffrey Jay Madigan  
Gregory Martin Mallett  
Jennifer Lynn Marque  
Krista Andon Martinez  
Tonya Jean McMillin McCaughey  
Maurgretta Slayton McCoy  
Laurie Lea McNeal  
Betty Jean McCollum Moore  
Donna Lynette Moran  
Susan Ann Golson Monroe  
Sandra Alicia Owen Moran  
James Ernest Morris  
Farrah Ann Noto  
William Dale Phillips  
Phyllis Clay Phipps  
Heather Leigh Pizzolato  
Brenda Lea Willis Price  
Steve Anthony Retif  
Rose Marie Norwood Robertson  
Elizabeth Kay Roger  
Jermaine Bernard Rogers  
Michael Rene Rogers  
Jon Michael Salley  
Karen Elizabeth Dardis Schembre  
Ralph Jacob Schwarz  
Tricia Renee Cyprien Smith  
April Adelle Stracener Solea**

**Sabrina Ann Hunter Spears**  
**Jeromy Eugene Teague**  
**Jason Wade Thibodeaux**  
**Marian Ann Vince Tomasino**  
**Regina Lee Williams Varnado**  
**Nicholas Paul Vogel**  
**Tammy Jo Waller**  
**Felicia Renee Walpool**  
**Christopher Troy Webre**  
**Chanettra Lenice Williams**  
**Dentira Rachalle Levy Williams**  
**Lora L. Wilson**  
**Paula Deneen Henderson Woodard**

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**MULTIPLE ACTIONS:**

Six (6) matters came before the Board involving Multiple Actions by Board staff.

**Motion:** by F. Rosenthal, seconded, that the Board ratifies multiple actions as follows:

**Diona Marie Bethune**

3/24/05 Consent Order – license suspended with stay of suspension and probation for a minimum of 5 years with stipulations;  
5/25/05 License suspended due to non-compliance with Board Order.

**Michael Warren Davis**

5/2/05 Summarily suspended license due to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Louisiana being threatened by his conduct;  
5/6/05 Consent Order – Suspension continues subject to the right to petition reinstatement with stipulations.

**Katherine Irene Mitchell Ginn**

3/9/05 Automatic Suspension due to non-compliance with Board Order;  
5/13/05 License reinstated to active status with probation for a minimum of 3 years with stipulations.

**Chasity Michelle Humphrey Holmes**

5/6/05 Summarily suspended license due to narcotics discrepancies  
5/20/05 Consent Order – agrees to summary suspension; suspension remains with opportunity to request reinstatement with stipulations.

**Cindy Lynn Corley Sanders**

3/18/05 Summarily suspended license due to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Louisiana being threatened by this conduct;  
4/18/05 Consent Order – summary suspension upheld and eligible for reinstatement with stipulations.

**Jeremy Anthony Venable**

4/28/05 Delayed approval for licensure by examination in Louisiana until all pending criminal disciplinary action are resolved.  
5/17/05 Consent Order – Approval granted to take NCLEX-RN, to be issued a probationary temporary work permit, and to receive a probationary license min 36 months upon successfully passing with stipulations.

**Donald Ray Johnson**

The matter was heard as a request to ratify staff action for summary suspension and acceptance of the consent order.

**Motion:** by F. Rosenthal, seconded, that the Board ratifies summary suspension by staff against this individual as the Board finds that the public health, safety and welfare required this emergency action and that the consent order submitted by this registrant is accepted.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**Laurie Tarter Runco**

Was heard by the Board as a request to ratify staff action to recall temporary permit and acceptance of consent order.

**Motion:** by D. Ford, Rosenthal, seconded, that the Board ratify summary suspension by staff against this individual for recall of temporary permit and that the consent order submitted by this registrant is accepted.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**RATIFICATION OF DELAY/DENIAL OF STAFF ACTION:**

Seven (7) matters came before the Board as ratification of delay or denial by staff action.

**Motion:** by D. Olds, seconded, that the Board ratify the delay/denial of licensure staff of the following registrants.

**Alicia Marie Baty**  
**Cliff Gerard Haydel**  
**Julie Therese Skeens Hood**  
**Dorothy Lucile Tucker Molandes**  
**Dedra Danette Vaughn**  
**Stephanie Joyce Westlake**  
**Lonnie White, Jr.**

**SETTLEMENT COMMITTEE:**

The Board received the report of the April 25, 2005 and May 24, 2005 Settlement Committee. No action required by the Board.

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF STATE BOARDS OF NURSING:**

**AGENDA ITEM 7.1:**

**NCSBN 2005 DESIGNATION OF DELEGATES**

The 2005 National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Annual Meeting and Delegate Assembly will be held August 2-5, 2005. Information was sent out to Board members. Three positions will be funded by the NCSBN. C. Morris and P. Bourgeois will be funded as the two persons from each member Board. B. Morvant will attend as a member of the Leadership and Governance Committee.

**Motion:** by K. Moody, seconded, that P. Bourgeois and Barbara Morvant serve as delegate and D. Ford and C. Morris as alternate delegates.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**AGENDA ITEM A:**

**PROPOSED RULE LAC 46:XLVII.3703.DIFINITIONS OF TERMS APPLYING TO NURSING PRACTICE AND 3705.ADMINISTRATION OF ANESTHETIC AGENTS – RE-PROMUGATION OF**

The rules were ready for promulgation and presented at the March 16, 2005 Board Meeting but was referred back to the Practice Committee for revision. The Practice Committee met and directed staff to make some corrections. Staff worked with Sherri Morris and Cynthia Morris to prepare a draft and, if accepted, will have to be re-promulgated.

**Motion:**

by K. Moody, seconded, to accept the Practice Committee recommendation to approve the proposed changes in Rule LAC 46:XLVII.3703.Definitions of Terms applying to Nursing Practice and 3705. Administration of Anesthetic Agents to submit for re-promulgation and direct Board staff to add grammatical changes of punctuation to match the statute.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM B:**

**PROPOSED RULE LAC 46:XLVII.4507.LICENSURE AS ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE – REPORT ON**

Rule LAC 46:XLVII.4507 has been submitted to be published in Louisiana Register on June 20, 2005.

**AGENDA ITEM C:**

**PROPOSED RULE LAC 46:XLVII.CHAPTER 45.ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES – REPORT ON PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ON COMMENTS**

A public hearing was held April 27, 2005. Board members received a number of comments. In accordance with rule making procedure, a report needs to be submitted to the Oversight Committee summarizing comments and whether Board has accepted or rejected each comment. Comments have been summarized by P. Griener with the recommendations from Board staff in response.

P. Griener recommended the following major changes:

Page 819, Mr. Shows requested that “*for justifiable causes*” be added to Section d .2.

On page 827, the LSMBE requested that Board reinsert in Section c. iii, the language, “*in the event the collaborating physician and any secondary (back-up) collaborating physician(s) are unavailable, the APRN will not prescribe.*”

Under Section d., “*and/or*” should be added.

Page 828, Section d. “*for established patients, a complete physical exam is*

*not required before prescribing new medications*” was deleted.

Page 828, Section c. iii, “*or distributed*” to be deleted.

P. Griener reported that staff reviewed the concerns addressed regarding educational standards, and determined that the proposed rules provide for exceptions and that the concerns could be addressed by exceptions. Joni Nickens, President of Louisiana Association of Nurse Practitioners (LANP), expressed approval of the recommended changes which staff have made and asked that the Board approve those changes and thanked staff for their hard work.

D. Olds, on behalf of the Board, thanked P. Griener for all her hard work in making these recommendations.

**Motion:** by D. Olds, seconded, to accept the proposed revisions to Chapter 45 in response to the Public Hearing comments and to accept for promulgation.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM D:**

**PROPOSED RULE LAC 46:XLVII.CHAPTER 34.DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS; ALTERNATIVE TO DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS – PROMULGATION OF**

Final Rule published in the Louisiana Register on April 20, 2005. No public comments made, and no requests for hearing have been received. The rule is ready for adoption in July.

**Motion:** by D. Ford, seconded, to approve proposed revisions for promulgation to Rule LAC 46:XLVII.CHAPTER 34.Disciplinary Proceedings, Alternative Disciplinary Proceedings upon completion of the time lines.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Moody-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**AGENDA ITEM E:**

**PROPOSED RULE LAC 46:XLVII.3341.FEES FOR REGISTRATION AND LICENSURE – PROMULGATION OF**

The fees were published in the Notice of Intent in the Louisiana Register May 20, 2005. No request for public hearing has been made, and no comments have been received. They will be ready for adoption for the August 20, 2005 Register.

**Motion:** by F. Rosenthal, seconded, to approve proposed rule LAC 46:XLVII.3341.Fees for Registration and Licensure for promulgation no earlier than August 20, 2005 and no later than May 20, 2006.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Harper-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes

Motion Carried

**Motion:** by D Ford, seconded, to adjourn the June 15, 2005 Board Meeting, then immediately go into Executive Session for the purpose of hearing the Report on Litigation.

**Voice Vote:** Ashby-yes; Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes;  
Harper-yes; Olds-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Steele-yes  
Motion Carried

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

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**PATSY BOURGEOIS, PRESIDENT**  
**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING**