

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

MINUTES OF JULY 15, 2003
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 9:05 a.m. on July 15, 2003, at 3510 North Causeway Blvd, Suite 501, Metairie, Louisiana.
- Presiding:** Patricia Bourgeois, MSN, CNS, RN, Chairperson
- Roll Call:** Patricia Bourgeois, MSN, CNS, RN
Elsie Crapanzano, MSN, RN
Nora Steele, DNS, RN C, PNP
Karen Moody, PhD, RN C
- Staff:** Ellienne T. Tate, EdD, RN
Credentialing Director for Education/Licensure
- Cynthia D. Morris, MSN, RN
Assistance Executive Director
- Lydia Favorite, Licensure Analyst for Education
- Guests:** Laura Garin, MSN, RN (William Carey)
Mary Ware, EdD, RN (William Carey)
Jan Corder, DSN, RN (ULM)
Norann Planchock, PhD, RN (NSU)
Shirley Cashio, MSN, RN (NSU)
Christine Slaven, MSN, RN (OLOL) (left at 10:30 a.m.)
Donnie Booth, PhD, RN (SLU)
Su Durrwachter, MSN, RN (BRGMCSN)
Esperanza Joyce, EdD, CNS, RN (OLOL) (left at 10:30 a.m.)
Jacqueline Rhoads, PhD, RN (LSUHSC) (left at 10:20 a.m.)
Margaret Shannon, PhD, RN (OLOHC)
Patricia Egers, MS, RN (DCS) (left at 10:05 a.m.)
Dianne Thames, DNS, RN (DCS)

The Minutes of April 15, 2003 meeting were reviewed. There were corrections/revisions on pages 1 & 2.

Motion:

by Dr. Steele that the Education Committee of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing accept the minutes of the April 15, 2003 meeting with corrections/ revisions.

Seconded by Ms. Crapanzano.

Voice vote: Steele-yes; Crapanzano-yes, Moody-yes. Motion carried.

Clarification of Request from OLOL for Accelerated Program to be Conducted in the N. O. Area in Collaboration with Tulane University Hospital:

Ms. Bourgeois reviewed the request of Our Lady of the Lake College as distributed. Ms. Bourgeois stated that previously staff didn't understand the earlier request of OLOL to conduct an accelerated program in the New Orleans area and the full proposal was not presented to the Education Committee. Staff understood the proposal to be for an accelerated program. Dr. Joyce, Dean, Division of Nursing at OLOL and Ms. Slaven were present to answer any questions or concerns the Committee might have. Ms. Bourgeois reported that Dr. Joyce and a few of her staff met previously with staff to discuss what documents the Board would need. Dr. Joyce distributed additional information to the committee as a result of the meeting previously with staff.

Staff stated that Dr. Joyce had presented a Clinical Facility Survey form that has not been approved pending verification of communication with other programs that are using that facility. Staff reported that the information received today was an explanation on where classes would be taught. Dr. Joyce stated that current staff from OLOL will teach at Tulane University Hospital.

Dr. Moody asked for the projected number of students for entrance into the program. Dr. Joyce stated that there are over 100 applicants and they will accept 18 to 20 students. Dr. Moody asked if there would be a cap on the numbers of students accepted into this program and would clinical faculty be used or will they be using preceptors, Ms. Slaven stated that they are contracting with Tulane for adjunct faculty. Dr. Moody asked whether OLOL had dialog with the other programs that are using the facilities, Ms. Slaven stated that they have not spoken with the other program as of today and Dr. Joyce stated that they had a liaison at Tulane and the liaison will be calling a meeting with all the programs in the New Orleans area. Dr. Steele stated that for the Spring semester, the only available time Lakeside

Hospital has open for maternal-child clinical experiences is on Monday afternoons. Ms. Bourgeois asked for an explanation of overlapping of clinical experiences on some days and Ms. Slaven stated that when reviewing the schedule with staff at Tulane, that for a couple of days there would be more than one program on a unit. Dr. Steele questioned this practice in light of her understanding of policies at Tulane.

Dr. Shannon, Dean, Our Lady of Holy Cross College, voiced a concern of OLOL opening up a ADN program at Tulane in an area where there are already five programs that prepare students to become registered nurses. Major areas of concerns are: 1. competition for qualified clinical faculty; and 2. the number of clinical facilities in New Orleans that must be shared by all nursing programs. Dr. Ware, Dean, William Carey College (WCC) stated that WCC also wrote a letter to the Board expressing the same concerns. Ms. Garin, WCC, stated in this weekend's paper, there was advertisement for clinical faculty at OLOL yet Dr. Joyce stated that they would be using faculty that was all ready at OLOL. Dr. Joyce stated that the clinical faculty will be coming from OLOL and that she was not aware of the advertisement.

Ms. Bourgeois stated that this is not a new program but an accelerated program at a new site and that the charge of the Education Committee is to make sure that all the standards of the Board are met. Staff stated that an accelerated curriculum had already been approved without a site. Staff questioned if OLOL was talking about Tulane University Hospital specifically or Tulane University Hospital and Willis Knighton. Dr. Joyce stated Tulane University Hospital only.

Dr. Rhoads, LSUHSC voiced concern relative to preceptor training. Dr. Joyce stated that Ms. Slaven will be located in New Orleans and there is a workshop setup for faculty. A mentor will be attached to every preceptor.

Motion:

by Dr. Steele that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing approve the request of Our Lady of the Lake College for an accelerated program to be conducted in the New Orleans area in collaboration with Tulane University Hospital pending verification to Board staff of qualified nursing faculty and documented proof of contact with other programs to coordinate use of clinical facilities.

Seconded by Ms. Crapanzano.

Voice vote: Steele-yes; Crapanzano-yes, Moody-yes. Motion carried.

The Education Committee asked staff to establish a focus group to review and revise if appropriate, the standards for educational programs in Chapters 35 & 45.

**New Business:
Northwestern State
University, BSN
Program & Masters
Program Coordinated
LSBN/CCNE Site Visit
Report:**

The coordinated LSBN/CCNE site visit report of Northwestern State University, BSN Program and MSN Program were reviewed. Staff stated that this was the first visit of LSBN first to a graduate program and the visit went well. Dr. Planchock, Dean and Ms. Cashio were present to answers any questions or concerns.

Motion:

by Dr. Moody that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing accept the LSBN/CCNE site visit report of Northwestern State University, BSN program and continue full approval status with one suggestion.

SUGGESTION: Consistent with the declining NXLEX-RN pass rates and in light of the recent evaluation activities instituted, that data continue to be collected, analyzed and used to improve all aspects of the program. (LAC 46:XLVII.3523)

Seconded by Ms. Crapanzano.

Voice vote: Steele-yes; Crapanzano-yes, Moody-yes. Motion carried.

by Dr. Moody that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing accept the LSBN/CCNE site visit report of Northwestern State University, MSN program and grant full approval status with one suggestion.

SUGGESTION: Increase the number of doctorate prepared faculty consistent with the University requirements for full graduate faculty status and to support increased scholarly productivity consistent with master's level education. (LAC 46:XLVII.4509.1.f)

Seconded by Dr. Steele.

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

Dr. Planchock commented that NSU appreciated being able to do both visits together. Staff stated that the combined visits are very positive and benefit the programs because it permits them to prepare one self -study. Dr. Planchock stated that NSU was glad that their

graduate program was the initial test case.

**Medical Center of
Southwest Louisiana
Request Re-Approval
Provider Status:**

Ms. Bourgeois reported on the request of the Medical Center of Southwest Louisiana for two years re-approval status as a continuing education provider. Staff reported all criteria were met. Ms. Crapanzano stated that the social security number is no longer required on the certificate and recommended it be removed. Staff are requested to notify all LSBN Providers about the removal of the social security number from their certificates.

Motion:

by Ms. Crapanzano that the Education Committee of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing, accept the request of the Medical Center of Southwest Louisiana and grant re-approved provider status for two years, beginning July 21, 2003 through July 20, 2005.

Seconded by Dr. Moody.

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

**Glenwood Regional
Medical Center
Request to Change
Provider Approval
from LSNA to LSBN:**

Ms. Bourgeois reported on the Glenwood Regional Medical Center request to change provider approval from the Louisiana State Nurses Association to Louisiana State Board of Nursing. Staff reported all criteria were met.

Motion:

by Dr. Steele that the Education Committee of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing, accept the request of Glenwood Regional Medical Center and grant approved provider status for two years, beginning July 31, 2003 through July 30, 2005.

Seconded by Dr. Moody.

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

**Request from Texas
Wesleyan for
Anesthesia Students in
Louisiana:**

Ms. Bourgeois reported on the request of Texas Wesleyan for anesthesia students for clinical practicum in Louisiana. Dr. Steele requested clarification on the role of the Board toward out of state school coming into Louisiana and not being notified by the Board of Regents. Staff stated that she informed Texas Wesleyan that they were to notify LSBN of their approval by the Board of Regents and that they also needed approval from the LSBN to do clinical in Louisiana. Ms. Bourgeois asked if there was a running list of graduate programs licensed by the Board of Regions to teach in Louisiana.

Dr. Rhoads, from LSUHSC anesthesia program stated that they have

120 students in their program and are having trouble finding clinical sites. Dr. Rhoads also stated that they are competing for clinical sites. Dr. Planchock stated that Texas Wesleyan has been using clinical sites in Louisiana for years.

Motion

by Dr. Moody that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing approve the request of Texas Wesleyan for clinical practicum of their anesthesia students in Louisiana and that staff seek data to clarify the role of the Board with regards to out-of-state students in clinical facilities needed by students in Louisiana graduate programs.

Seconded by Ms. Crapanzano.

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

Motion:

by Dr. Steele that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing contact the Board of Regents to determine if there is a mechanism in place to notify the Board of Nursing when out-of-programs have been licensed to teach in Louisiana.

Seconded by Dr. Moody.

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

**Letter from LSUHSC
Regarding Out-Of-
State Graduate
Students in Clinical
Facilities in Louisiana:**

Ms. Bourgeois reported on the request of Louisiana State University Health Science Center anesthesia program to clarify the policies regarding out-of-state graduate students in Louisiana facilities. Ms. Bourgeois stated that a meeting with staff before this meeting supports suggesting that a focus group be formed to explore this issue.

Motion:

by Dr. Moody that a review of the rules in Chapter 35 and Chapter 45 relative to educational program standards be initiated to provide clarification of the Board's role on the issue of out-of-state graduate students in Louisiana Health care facilities.

Seconded by Ms. Crapanzano.

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

It was suggested that the this issue be sent to the focus group. Ms. Bourgeois stated as an FYI, LSUHSC is sharing their clinical sites with Texas Wesleyan and are not having any difficulties; with other groups wanting to come into the state, spaces for practicum are at a premium.

**Request for Approval
of Accelerated ADN
Program for
Paramedics at Nicholls
State University:**

Ms. Bourgeois reviewed the request of Nicholls State University to offer their ADN Program in an accelerated model for paramedics (emergency medical technicians) only. Dr. Steele voiced a concern because the accelerated program would only be offered to EMTs. Staff stated that Acadian Ambulance is funding this program. Dr. Moody voiced a concern for developing a fast track for one particular group and asked why others can't attend this program. Staff stated that this request was not in violation of any rules.

by Dr. Moody that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing approve the request of Nicholls State University to offer the ADN program in an accelerated format for paramedics pending verification that they have permission to do so by the appropriate governing Board.

Seconded by Dr. Steele.

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

Break: 10:30

Reconvene: 10:50

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

1. William Carey College, notification of minor curriculum changes.
2. Delgado Community College, notification of minor curriculum changes.
3. South Dakota State University College of Nursing Continuing Nursing Education RN/LPN self study refresher courses. Staff stated that this is an online course and that it meets the criteria of the Board.
4. Our Lady of the Lake College RN-BSN curriculum as distributed learning via the internet.
5. Notification from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education of the accreditation of the BSN program at Louisiana College. The Committee expresses congratulation to Louisiana College.
6. LSU Health Science Center – Accreditation notice from the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs.
7. Greenville Technical College Buck Mickel Center, RN refresher course.

8. Proposed curriculum changes for ICMSN-pending approval of the Board of Regents.
9. Correspondence from NCSBN regarding Alternative Item Formats.
10. Letters of concern regarding Our Lady of the Lake College offering a program at Tulane Hospital in New Orleans: William Carey College and Our Lady of Holy Cross College
11. Northwestern State University, ADN Program, notification of minor curriculum changes

Adjournment: 11:09

Respectfully submitted by:

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Credentialing Director for Education/Licensure**

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