

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING
3510 NORTH CAUSEWAY BLVD, SUITE 501
METAIRIE, LOUISIANA 70002**

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 5, 2001 BOARD MEETING

Call to Order: Patsy McClanahan, President called this regular meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing to order at 8:40 a.m., on Wednesday, December 5, 2001, at the Louisiana State Board of Nursing, 3510 North Causeway, Suite 601, Metairie, Louisiana 70002.

Roll Call: The following members were in attendance:

Patsy McClanahan, MSN, RDMS, CNP, RN, President
Oswald Ferry, EdD, CRNA, Vice-President
Deborah Ford, MSN, CNA, RN
Patricia Bourgeois, MSN, CNS, RN
Elsie Crapanzano, MSN, RN
Karen Moody, RNC, PhD
Frankie Rosenthal, MSN, CNS, RN
Enrica Singleton, DrPH, MBA, MS, RN

The following staff members were in attendance:

Barbara Morvant, MN, RN, Executive Director
Cynthia Morris, MSN, RN, Assistant Executive Director
Ellienne Tate, EdD, RN, Credentialing Director
Barbara McGill, MSN, RN, Compliance Director
Patricia Ladner, MN, RN, Nursing Consultant for Practice
Deborah Humphrey, MSN, APRN, Credentialing Manager
E. Wade Shows, JD, Board Attorney
Sue Edwards, BWN, RN, Regional Manager
Julie Comeaux, Executive Services Assistant
Vern Pilgreen, RNP Program/Regional Manager
Michelle Wells, MSHCM, BSN, RN, C, CPUR, Regional Manager

Note: K. Cooper, MN, CNS, CCRN, Board Member was absent from the meeting.

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

Opening Prayer: The meeting opened with a prayer by P. Bourgeois.

Motion: by O. Ferry, second, that the President be granted the authority to reorder the agenda.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes, Ford-yes

Motion Carried

Approval Of Minutes:

September 10 & 11, 2001 - Hearings

Motion: by O. Ferry, second, that the Board approve the minutes of the Disciplinary Hearings held on September 10 & 11, 2001.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes, Ford-yes

Motion Carried

September 12, 2001-General Meeting

Motion: by D. Ford, second, that the Board approves the minutes of the September 12, 2001, General Meeting.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes; Ford-yes

Motion Carried

Actions on Disciplinary Hearing held December 3, 2001:

B. Morvant announced the names of those registrants whose files were presented at the Monday, December 3, 2001, Disciplinary Hearings.

Williams, Patti: The matter was heard before the Board in response to a Show Cause Order as filed. O. Ferry presided at this hearing.

Recused: D. Ford, P. McClanahan were recused from this hearing.

Motion: by F. Rosenthal, seconded, that the license of this registrant be revoked.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-no;
Singleton-yes

Motion Carried

Searly, Patricia: The matter was heard before the Board in response to a Show Cause Order as filed. O. Ferry presided at this hearing.

Recused: D. Ford and P. McClanahan were recused from this hearing.

Motion: by K. Moody, seconded, that the license of this registrant is revoked.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-no;
Singleton-yes

Motion Carried

James, Dena: This matter was heard before the Board in response to charges filed. O. Ferry presided at this hearing.

Recused: P. McClanahan and D. Ford were recused from this hearing

Motion: by F. Rosenthal, seconded, that the license of this registrant is suspended and should not be able to request reinstatement until she complies with LAC 46:XLVII.3405.

Immediately surrender current RN license to the 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 other charges and within six months submit payment of \$750.00 to the Board with \$100.00 due on the 1st of each month.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes;
Singleton-yes.

Motion Carried

Cleveland, John: This registrant appeared before the Board to request a licensure by examination. O. Ferry presided at this hearing.

Recused: D. Ford, P McClanahan were recused from the hearing.

Motion: by P. Bourgeois, seconded, that this individual be granted approval to take NCLEX-RN, to be issued a probate temporary work permit and to receive a probate license, one year, on successful passage of NCLEX-RN, contingent upon adherence to the following stipulations:

Have supervised random drug screens monthly for one year through an approved LSBN laboratory. Board staff may request additional screenings. Written reports of it shall be submitted to the Board.

Immediately, within 72 hours, inform the Board in writing of any address change. 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 six consecutive months.

Prior to beginning work, inform all nursing employers of these disciplinary measures and of the probationary status of license. Within five 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 quarterly from the first date of employment.

Within six months, submit a payment of \$200.00 to the Board. On the 1st of each month, submit a monthly probation fee of \$25.00 to the Board, beginning upon employment, and not have any misconducts, criminal violations or convictions or violations of any health care regulations reported to the Board related to this or any other incidents.

Quarterly reports are due on or before the 1st day of January, April, July, and October.

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

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes;
Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Williams, Tangela: This registrant appeared before the Board in response to an automatic suspension by Board Staff to appeal that automatic suspension. O. Ferry presided at this hearing.

Excused: P. McClanahan was excused from this hearing.

Motion: by E. Crapanzano, seconded, that the Board ratify action taken by staff against this individual for automatic suspension of license and until such time there is resolution on the charges filed and she reappears before the Board to show cause why she should be allowed to practice nursing.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes;
Singleton-yes, Ford-yes

Motion carried

Read, Tanya: This registrant appeared before the Board in response to a show cause order as filed. O. Ferry presided at this hearing.

Excused: P. McClanahan was excused from this hearing.

Motion: by D. Ford, seconded, that the license of this registrant be suspended for a minimum of five years, after which time she may request a hearing for the purpose of reinstatement.

And further, refrain from working in any capacity as a registered nurse, failure to do so shall cause further disciplinary action and/or criminal charges.

Immediately, within 72 hours, inform the Board in writing of any change in address.

Prior to reinstatement, submit evidence of completion of 15 hours of LSBN staff approved continuous education hours to include the areas of legal accountability ethics, and legal ethical issues. Prior to reinstatement, submit a payment of \$950.00 to the Board.

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.

And further, failure to comply with the above orders, receipt of unfavorable report or non receipt of a report on or before the date due, shall cause a hearing to be scheduled for revocation of this registrant's license.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes;
Singleton-yes; Ford-yes

Motion Carried

Actions on Disciplinary Hearing held December 4, 2001:

B. Morvant announced the names of those registrants whose files were presented at the Tuesday, December 4, 2001, hearings.

Bailey, Sharon: This registrant appeared before the Board in response to an automatic suspension by Board staff, ratification of the automatic suspension by Board and an appeal of the automatic suspension. D. Ford presided at the hearing.

Recused: O. Ferry, P. Bourgeois, E. Crapanzano were recused from this hearing.

Motion: by K. Moody, seconded, that the Board affirm action taken by staff on July 27, 2001, and ratified by the Board on September 12, 2001, against this individual for automatic suspension of licensure.

Further, the licensee must within 24 months submit payment of \$1,000.00 to the Board for hearing costs.

Voice Vote: Rosenthal-no; Moody-yes, Crapanzano-yes; Singleton-no; Ford-yes
Motion Carried

Pahnka, Roseanne: The matter was heard before the Board in response to a show cause order as filed. O. Ferry presided at this hearing.

Motion: by F. Rosenthal, seconded, that a letter of reprimand be issued and becomes a part of this registrant's permanent file regarding the incident which brought this registrant before the Board, specifically practicing without a Louisiana license, and that if the licensure by endorsement is granted upon completion of the endorsement application requirements, that the license is probated for two years with the following stipulations:

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

Work in a restricted environment as a member of a treatment team rather than alone or with a few employees. Not be employed in an agency pool staffing, home health services, or nursing home.

Additionally, not be employed in any unsupervised settings. Immediately, within 72 hours, inform the Board in writing of any address change.

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 two years.

Within six months submit written evidence of completion of five hours of LSBN staff approved continuing education hours to include the areas of legal ethical issues.

Prior to licensure, submit a payment of \$600.00 to the Board. By the 1st of each month, submit a monthly probation fee of \$25 to the Board beginning with licensure.

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.

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

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes;
Singleton-yes; Ford-yes

Motion Carried

Automatic Suspensions:

There were eleven (11) matters heard before the Board as automatic suspensions by Board staff.

Motion: by F. Rosenthal, seconded, that the Board ratify the Automatic Suspensions by staff of the following registrants: **Martha B. Bantin, Ronald V. Blankenship, Jr., Julie Kennedy Brown, Denise M. Hebert, Michael Johnsey, Ronald J. Lavergne, Wendy Patricia Lea, Donna Shepard Northrop, Dianne McAdams Smith, Catherine Edna Simmons, Patricia Susanne White.**

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Consent Orders:

There were thirteen (13) matters that came before the Board in the form of Consent Orders.

Motion: By E. Singleton, seconded, that the Consent Orders submitted by the following registrants be accepted: **Mark Evan Blanchard, Rachelle Hendrick Blanchard, Joseph Fusilier, Alex Wade Gobert, Larry Eugene Haire, Robert Hugh Johnson, Vickie Chapman Kerstine, Courtney Heard Mitchell, Mark Richard Nichols, Stacie N. Oufnac, Annie Zelina Selvage, Mark Kevin Weir, Mary Winfrey**

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Multiple Actions:

One (1) matter came before the Board with multiple actions.

Motion: by D. Ford, seconded, to ratify the Automatic Suspension of **Kevin Lee Ginn**, by staff and approve the subsequent Consent Order suspended 11/13/01, suspended with stay and probation minimum of two years by Consent Order.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Settlement Committee:

The Board heard a report of the action of the Settlement Committee meetings held on 10/16/01 and 11/20/01. No action required by the Board.

Report of the President:

P. McClanahan presented written report. (Attachment #1) There were no recommendations at this time.

P. McClanahan presented E. Singleton, P. Bourgeois, D. Ford and K. Cooper with plaques in recognition of their time and service on the Board.

Report of the Vice President:

O. Ferry presented the Vice-President's report and financial summary. (Attachment #2)

Agenda Item 2.1 and Agenda Item 2.2 - Review of Vice President Report for July 1, 2001 - September 30, 2001

Discussed in Vice President's Report.

Motion: by E. Singleton, seconded, to accept the report of the Vice-President.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Cooper-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes; Ford-yes
Motion Carried

Motion: by O. Ferry, seconded, to accept the first quarter financial statement report for July 1, 2001 through September 30, 2001.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Cooper-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes;
Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.
Motion carried

Motion: by O. Ferry, seconded, to accept the proposed revisions to the 2002-2003 Budget.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Cooper-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes;
Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.
Motion carried

Report of the Executive Director:

B. Morvant presented a report on the activities of the Board for the quarter July 1, 2001 to September 30, 2001. (Report on file.)

Ms. Morvant presented P. McClanahan with her own personal gavel in recognition of services to the Board.

Administrative Committee:

P. McClanahan stated the Administrative Committee met on October 23, 2001, and made the following recommendations to the Board.

Agenda Item 2.3 - Proposed 2002 Meeting Dates

P. McClanahan presented the proposed 2002 meeting dates. Some adjustments were made on some of the meeting dates, which included the National Council Mid-Year Conference.

Motion: by P. McClanahan, seconded, to accept the proposed 2002 meeting dates.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.
Motion carried

Agenda Item 2.4 - Proposed revisions to the Bylaws

P. McClanahan presented the proposed revisions to the Bylaws (Report on file).

Motion: by P. McClanahan, seconded, to accept the proposed revisions to the Bylaws.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.
Motion carried

Advisory Council:

O. Ferry reported that the Advisory Council last met on September 10, 2001, and submitted the minutes from that meeting.

Motion: by O. Ferry, seconded, that the Advisory Council report be accepted (Report on file).

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.
Motion carried

Credentialing Committee:

E. Singleton reported the Credentialing Committee met on October 24, 2001 and made the following recommendations.

Agenda Item 3.1 - Request for approval of (A) Clinical Nurse Specialist in Advanced Clinical Diabetes Management and (B) Nurse Practitioner in Advanced Clinical Diabetes Management

Motion: by E. Singleton, seconded, to disapprove the following Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Professional Certification Programs by the American Nurses' Credentialing Center:

- (A) Clinical Nurse Specialist in Advanced Clinical Diabetes Management.
- (B) Nurse Practitioner in Advanced Clinical Diabetes Management.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Education Committee:

P. Bourgeois reported that the Education Committee met on October 23, 2001. She presented the following recommendations to the Board.

Agenda Item 4.1 - Proposed policy regarding approved continuing education contact hours for the 2001 ACLS and PALS provider course.

Motion: by P. Bourgeois, seconded, that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing approve for the continuing education for re-licensure, the second time a nurse takes ACLS and/or PALS (updated version) and that they be awarded 4.8 contact hours for each.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 4.2 - Proposed rule revision to LAC 46:XLVII.Chapter 35, to incorporate Annual Report fee

Motion: by P. Bourgeois, seconded, that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing authorize initiation of rule making for a change in Chapter 35 to incorporate Annual Report fee of \$50.00, which is provided for in the Nurse Practice Act.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 4.3- Citation For University of Louisiana Lafayette for 50th Year Anniversary

Motion: by P. Bourgeois, seconded, that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing acknowledge the University of Louisiana Lafayette for 50 years of excellence in nursing education by awarding them with a plaque which reads:

"Citation for Fifty Years of Excellence in Nursing Education College of Nursing and Allied Health Professions The University of Louisiana at Lafayette 1951-2001 Presented by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing."

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 4.4 - Guidelines for continuing education for APRNs with limited prescriptive authority jointly developed by LSNA and LSBN

Motion: by P. Bourgeois, seconded, that the Louisiana State Board accept the guidelines for continuing education for the APRN with prescriptive authority as developed by LSBN and Louisiana State Nurses Association (LSNA).

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 4.5 - Proposed curriculum changes; Dillard University School of Nursing

Motion: by P. Bourgeois, seconded, that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing accept the curriculum changes as presented for Dillard University.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 4.6 - Southern Arkansas University request for utilization of Louisiana clinical facilities

Motion: by P. Bourgeois, seconded, that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing approve the request of Southern Arkansas University, Magnolia to continue to utilize the Louisiana facilities at Minden Medical Center and Springhill Medical beginning Spring 2002 and ending Spring 2004.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal- yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 4.7 - Louisiana State University of Alexandria (LSUA) letter of intent to develop a Bachelor of Science in nursing program

Motion: by P. Bourgeois, seconded, that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing grant permission for Louisiana State University of Alexandria to continue planning for a BSN program, pending the necessary approval by the Louisiana State University System, the Board of Regents, and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 4.8 - Request for rule clarification relative to the definition of appropriate accrediting bodies

Motion: by P. Bourgeois, seconded, that this item go back to the Education Committee to look at the issue of clarification on the definition of appropriate accrediting bodies as stated in the Professional and Occupational Standards.

Norann Planchock, Chairperson of the Louisiana Council of Nursing Association, Inc. Task Force on Education, gave a report, stating that they had made this request, which is a quality issue about which they had concerns.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 4.9 - Request for exception to LAC 46:XLVII.3515.B3

Motion: by P. Bourgeois, seconded, that the Board grant exception to Louisiana Tech University: Shannon Louise Boyd, LSU at Eunice: Deborah Marie Stein Gagnard: University of Monroe: Rhonda Parks Burdeaux, Juliet Ann Trimble Burgess, Holly Jan Haddad McClain.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Impaired Professionals Committee:

P. Bourgeois stated that the Impaired Professionals Committee met on October 23, 2001. There were no recommendations at this time.

Nursing Practice Committee:

D. Ford stated that the Nursing Practice Committee met on October 23, 2001 and made the following recommendations.

Agenda Item 6.1 - Registered nurse performing withdrawal of CSF from a CSF catheter

Motion: by D. Ford, seconded, it is within the scope of practice of a registered nurse to withdraw cerebrospinal fluid from a cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) catheter provided that the said RN has the documented knowledge, skills, and abilities, and that the organization has a written policy in place to provide for such.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 6.2 - Registered nurse performing autologel wound care treatments in the home setting

Motion: by D. Ford, seconded, it is within the scope of practice of a registered nurse to perform autologel wound care treatments in the home setting provided that the said RN has the documented knowledge, skills and abilities, and that the organization has a written policy in place to provide for such.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 6.3 - Draft rules regarding administration of medications in juvenile detention facilities in accordance with Act 502 of the 2001 Regular Session

Motion: by D. Ford, seconded, that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing accept the drafts for promulgation.

The Board reviewed the draft rules and made appropriate changes and corrections.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

P. McClanahan welcomed the students from Baton Rouge General who were present.

Settlement Committee:

B. Morvant reported that the Board received the report of the Settlement Committee meetings within the disciplinary session.

Special Task Force/Subcommittees:

Joint Administrative Committee on Prescriptive Authority

P. McClanahan stated the Joint Administrative Committee met on November 2, 2001.

It was reported that there were 346 APRNs with prescriptive authority, bringing the total to 378 that have been approved, and 2 reinstatements of prescriptive authority. There were no APRNs who notified the Board that they were no longer in collaborative practice during the past two months. There were 32 new applicants reviewed for prescriptive authority, which were approved. There were 11 change agreements reviewed, and 12 additional physicians in a practice site for APRNs, with 2 reinstatements reported to the Board. There was one physician who was not approved by the Board of Medical Examiners to be a collaborating physician.

The next Committee meeting is scheduled to be on January 4, 2002 in Baton Rouge at the Louisiana State Medical Society office.

Motion: by P. McClanahan, seconded, to accept the report of the Joint Administration Committee on Prescriptive Authority.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item A - LAC 46:XLVII, Chapter 45, Advanced Practice Registered Nurse

Ms. Morvant updated the Board on the time line of the rule making process.

D. Humphrey stated that there was 10 letters received, and summarized the comments from these communications.

P. Ladner gave an overview of the background on the need for a definition of "reasonable distance" and a discussion ensued.

Motion: by D. Ford, seconded, that the committee meeting dates be moved to January 22 and 23 and have a Special Call meeting to handle the business of LAC 46:XLVII, Chapter 45, Advanced Practice Registered Nurses during those two dates.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 7.1 - National Council of State Boards of Nursing. Call for Nominations

Motion: by P. McClanahan, seconded, that the Board endorse B. Morvant to run for President of the National Council of State Boards.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 7.2 - Communication from National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Inc. regarding national research studies.

Ms. Morvant gave an overview of the study being conducted by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, which includes Exploring the Value of Continuing Education Mandates, and Post Entry Competence Study. Ms. Morvant explained the National Council was soliciting names from the Board to help with this study.

Motion: by O. Ferry, seconded, that the Board authorize the release of names and addresses of potential participants to give to the National Council for the purpose of extrapolating their study participants.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;
Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 7.3 - Communication from National Council of State Board of Nursing, Inc. regarding pilot study to promote understanding nursing practice breakdown

Ms. Morvant stated that they were finishing up their study of *An Epidemiology of Nursing Error (Practice Breakdown Study)* and gave an overview.

C. Morris stated the Board's participation in these national studies is a valuable experience.

A discussion ensued with the Board regarding the legal aspects of these studies.

Motion: by O. Ferry, seconded, that the Board give the Executive Director of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing the authority to move forward with all of the information that was requested by the National Council of the State Board of Nursing in reference to *An Epidemiology of Nursing Error, Phase One*.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes;

Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Election of Officers:

Motion: by O. Ferry, seconded, that P. McClanahan be reelected as President of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing for another term.

Hearing no other nominations, the election was called.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal- yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Motion: by O. Ferry, seconded, that D. Ford be nominated as Vice-President of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing for 2002.

Hearing no other nominations, the election was called.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Motion: by O. Ferry, seconded, that P. Bourgeois be nominated as Alternate Officer of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing for 2002.

Voice Vote: Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal- yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Agenda Item 2.5 - Report of Litigation

Motion: by O. Ferry, seconded, for the Board to go into Executive Session for the purpose of hearing the report on litigation.

Voice Vote: Bourgeois-yes; Crapanzano-yes; Ferry-yes; Ford-yes; Moody-yes; Rosenthal-yes; Singleton-yes.

Motion carried

Executive Session:

The Board went into Executive Session at 12:00 p.m. to hear the report on litigation as published under **Agenda Item 2.5**.

The Board resumed in open session at 1:00 p.m.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Patsy McClanahan, President
Louisiana State Board of Nursing