

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING
17373 PERKINS ROAD
BATON ROUGE, LA 70810

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 20, 2009
EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

- Call to Order:** The meeting of the Education Committee of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing was called to order by Bonnie Johnson at 9:06 a.m. on October 20, 2009, at the Louisiana State Board of Nursing located at 17373 Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, LA.
- Presiding:** Bonnie Johnson, MSN, RN, Chairperson
- Roll Call:** Bonnie Johnson, MSN, RN
Carllene MacMillan, MN, RN
Lucie Agosta, PhD, RNC
Demetrius Porche, DNS, RN (absent)
Nora Steele, DNS, RN C, PNP (10:30 a.m.)
- Staff:** Barbara L. Morvant, RN, MN
Executive Director
- Patricia A. Dufrene, MSN, RN
Director of Education/Licensure
- Crystal Patterson
Licensing Analyst, Education Department
- Stacey Pleasant
Licensing Analyst, Education Department
- Guests:** Marilyn Cooksey, PhD, RN, CNE (William Carey University)
Shirley Cashio, MSN, RN (Northwestern State University)
Elaine Vallette, DrPH, RN (Baton Rouge Community College)
Catherine Lopez, RN, MEd (LSU Health Sciences Center)
Kimberly Sharp, PhD, RN (Louisiana College)
Sue DeLaune, MN, RN (William Carey University)
Mary Green, MN, RN, PhD (Herzing University)
Stephanie Burns, MBA (Herzing University)
Ms. Mary Urbanski (Herzing University)
Shari Moreau, MSN, RN (University Louisiana Monroe)
Kristi Alderman, RN (Remington College)
Karin Polifko, PhD, RN, NEA-BC (Remington College)
Dr. Pamela Simmons (Northwestern State University)

Melinda Oberleitner, DNS, APRN, CNS (University of Louisiana Lafayette)
Cheryl Myers, MN, RN (Delgado Community College/Charity School of Nursing)
Dianne Thames, DNS, APRN (Delgado Community College/Charity School of Nursing)
Barbara Moffett, PhD, RN (Southeastern Louisiana University)
Gail Poirrier, DNS, RN (University of Louisiana Lafayette)
Tiffany Varner, MSN, RN (Southern University-Shreveport)
Sandra Tucker, PhD, RN, JD (Southern University-Shreveport)
Dorothy Lary, DNS, MSN, RN (Louisiana College)
Linda Hickman, RN, MSN (Louisiana State University-Alexandria)
Debra Smith, MSN, RN (Louisiana State University-Alexandria)

**Review and Approval
of Previous Minutes:**

Motion:

by Ms. MacMillan that the minutes of July 21, 2009 be accepted with mention of the Special Call Meeting that was scheduled for September 25, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.

Seconded by Dr. Agosta

Voice vote: MacMillan-yes; Agosta-yes. Motion carried.

Old Business:

**Proposed Revisions to
§3515 Faculty
Qualifications:**

Purpose of Faculty Qualifications and proposed language changes (graduate degree as opposed to bachelor's and master's degrees) by Chair.

Discussion ensued regarding language.

Motion:

by Dr. Agosta that §3515 be changed to reflect the following language:

B.4. The nurse faculty shall hold a graduate degree in nursing.

B. 7. a. baccalaureate in nursing prepared individuals
who are not enrolled in a graduate program in nursing are
limited to a maximum two calendar years in any consecutive

- five year period;
- b. baccalaureate in nursing prepared individuals who are enrolled in a graduate program in nursing shall be approved annually on an individual basis in accordance with current board guidelines. Exceptions may be granted to each individual for a maximum of four calendar years.

Seconded by Ms. MacMillan
Voice vote: MacMillan-yes; Agosta-yes. Motion carried.

**Draft Proposed
Revisions to Chapter
45:**

Discussion ensued.

Special Call Meeting tentatively scheduled for November 19, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.

New Business:

**Request from Herzing
College for ADN
Program
Establishment:**

Presentations by Mary Urbanski on the background of Herzing and Mary Green on Herzing's request for an ADN program.

Lengthy discussion ensued regarding the proposed program including accreditation, costs, needs assessment, etc.

Motion:

by Ms. MacMillan that we accept the initial draft until additional information is collected and that the program contacts meet with Board staff (Education) to make sure that the additional information is prepared for review for the next meeting.

Seconded by Dr. Agosta
Voice vote: MacMillan-yes; Agosta-yes. Motion carried.

Staff requested letter from Regents.

**Request from Bossier
City Community
College for ADN
Program
Establishment:**

Staff commented on request.
No staff from Bossier City Community College in attendance.

Response from Chair on accreditation by Regents.

Motion: by Ms. MacMillan to send letter advising receipt of information and that the school follow up with Board staff for further development of their official request for program review.

Seconded by Dr. Agosta
Voice vote: MacMillan-yes; Agosta-yes. Motion carried.

**Request from
Remington College for
ADN Program
Establishment:**

Program presentation by Dr. Polifko.

Discussion ensued including articulation, educational mobility, etc.

Motion: by Ms. MacMillan to send letter acknowledging receipt of Remington's request to establish a nursing program and that they meet with Board staff for clarification of points that were identified in today's conversations.

Seconded by Dr. Agosta
Voice vote: MacMillan-yes; Agosta-yes. Motion carried.

Motion: By Ms. MacMillan to obtain more information regarding accreditation and what the Board has done with past programs in regard to SACS accreditation.

Seconded by Dr. Agosta
Voice vote: MacMillan-yes; Agosta-yes. Motion carried.

break 11:15 a.m.
reconvene 11:30 a.m.

**Follow-Up From
Southern University-
Shreveport Regarding
Compliance With LAC
46: XLVII.3517.I.:**

Staff commented on the origin of the item, which is a specific case regarding policy and compliance.

A report will be compiled on when programs submit student information to the Board for review.

Staff is working on enforcing the receipt of student information along with clinical applications from nursing programs 60 days prior to admission for enrollment so that students are approved for clinical courses prior to the start of classes.

**Notice of Intent from
University of Louisiana
Lafayette Regarding
Establishment of a
DNP Program:
(WITHDRAWN)**

**Request for Approval
of Louisiana State
University Health
Sciences Center
Refresher Course:**

Synopsis of item by Chair

Motion:

by Dr. Steele to (1) look at the refresher course and (2) to refer the refresher course to Compliance for consideration as an optional resource for disciplinary actions.

Seconded by Ms. MacMillan

Voice vote: MacMillan-yes; Agosta-yes; Steele-yes. Motion carried.

Motion:

by Dr. Agosta to approve LSUHSC RN Refresher Course and clarify intent to continue IGRO program and/or individual CE modules

Seconded by Ms. MacMillan

Voice vote: MacMillan-yes; Agosta-yes. Motion carried.

**Request fro Re-
Approval of CE
Providership for
University of Louisiana
Monroe:**

Motion:

by Ms. Macmillan to grant continued approval status of University of Louisiana Monroe School of Nursing Continuing Education Provider Unit effective December 30, 2009 through December 30, 2011.

Seconded by Dr. Agosta
Voice vote: MacMillan-yes; Agosta-yes. Motion carried.

Adjournment: 12:00 p.m.

Motion: by Ms. MacMillan that the meeting be adjourned.

Seconded by Dr. Agosta
Voice vote: MacMillan-yes; Agosta-yes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by: *Barbara L. Morvant*
Barbara L. Morvant, MN, RN
Executive Director

Approved: January 20, 2010

Chairperson: *Bonnie Johnson*
Bonnie Johnson, MSN, RN