

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

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 22, 2002
EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

- Call to Order:** The meeting of the Education Committee of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing was called to order by Ms. Bourgeois at 9:05 a.m. on October 22, 2002, at 3510 North Causeway Blvd, Suite 501, Metairie, Louisiana.
- Presiding:** Patricia Bourgeois, MSN, CNS, RN, Chairperson
- Roll Call:** Patricia Bourgeois, MSN, CNS, RN
Oswald (Alex) Ferry, EdD, CRNA, RN
Karen Moody, PhD, RN C
Nora Steele, DNS, RN C, PNP
- Staff:** Ellienne T. Tate, EdD, RN
Credentialing Director
- Cynthia Morris, MSN, RN
Assistant Executive Director
- Lydia Favorite, Licensure Analyst for Education
- Guests:** Dianne Thames, DSN, RN (Delgado/Charity)
Laura Garin, MSN, RN (William Carey College)
- Review and Approval of Previous Minutes:** The Minutes of July 16, 2002 meeting were reviewed. There were no corrections or revisions.
- Motion:** by Dr. Steele that the Education Committee of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing accept the July 16, 2002 minutes as distributed.
- Seconded by Dr. Moody.
Voice vote: Steele-yes, Moody-yes, Ferry-yes. Motion carried
- C.E. Provider – Re-approval Status Nu Tau Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International (4 yrs):** Ms. Bourgeois presented the request of Nu Tau Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International as an approved provider of continuing education for nursing for four (4) years.
- Motion:** by Dr. Moody that the Education Committee of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing grant re-approval status as a provider of continuing education

to Nu Tau Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International for four (4) years, beginning September 12, 2002 and ending September 11, 2006.

Seconded by Dr. Steele.

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

C.E. Provider – Re-approval C. E. Status Lakeside Hospital (2 yrs):

Ms. Bourgeois presented the request of Lakeside Hospital as a provider of continuing education for nursing for two (2) years.

Motion:

by Dr. Ferry that the Education Committee of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing grant re-approval status as a provider of continuing education to Lakeside Hospital for two (2) years, beginning September 12, 2002 and ending September 12, 2004.

Seconded by Dr. Moody.

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

Pearl River Community College Request Continued Use of Louisiana Clinical Facilities:

Ms. Bourgeois presented the request of Pearl River Community College for continued use of Louisiana facilities. Laura Garin, Director, William Carey College stated that they have a concern because they have not been contacted by Pearl River and that William Carey uses the same facilities. Ms. Garin also stated that because of this they have been ending up in smaller units and since the student population is growing, this is a concern. A lengthy discussion followed and Dr. Tate stated that the rules state that out of state programs coordinate and collaborate with Louisiana programs.

Motion:

by Dr. Ferry that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing approve the request of Pearl River Community College for continued use of Louisiana clinical facilities pending their verification of collaboration and cooperation with Louisiana programs who have first choice in clinical facilities. Further, that staff be directed to write a letter informing the educational institution and the clinical facilities that out-of-state programs are allowed in clinical facilities if they do not interfere with the access of Louisiana programs to their facilities.

Seconded by Dr. Steele.

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

Further discussion ensued concerning the coordination with out-of-state programs using Louisiana facilities. A concern was expressed concerning the coordination between technical and vocational programs with collegiate programs.

by Dr. Ferry that Education Committee direct staff to write to LACANE

Motion:

stating the concerns of the Education Committee regarding the coordination and collaboration of program for clinical facilities use.

Seconded by Dr. Steele.

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

Evaluation of Academic Credentials to Determine Equivalency of a Baccalaureate and a Masters in Nursing to Meet Qualifications for a Faculty Position. (§3515.B.4):

Ms. Bourgeois presented the request of Northwestern State University to evaluate the academic credentials of Debra Joyce Baggett Woodward to determine equivalency to a bachelors and masters in nursing accordance with §3515.B.4. to meet qualifications for a faculty position. Dr. Tate stated that Ms. Woodward holds a Masters in Nursing and has been teaching in the graduate program at Northwestern for a long time.

A lengthy discussion followed concerning the qualifications required for undergraduate nursing faculty.

by Dr. Steele that the Education Committee direct staff to review the educational rules, Chapter 35, and to bring recommendations back to the Education Committee.

Motion:

Seconded by Dr. Ferry.

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

Motion:

by Dr. Ferry that the Education Committee recommend that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing accept the academic qualifications of Debra Joyce Baggett Woodward as being equivalent to a bachelors and masters in nursing in accordance with §3515.B.4, thereby qualifying her for a faculty position.

Seconded by Dr. Moody.

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

Evaluation of Academic Credentials to Determine Equivalency of a Baccalaureate and a Masters in Nursing to Meet Qualifications for a Faculty Position. (§3515.B.4):

Ms. Bourgeois presented the request of Delgado Community College/Charity School of Nursing to evaluate the academic credentials of Alesia Thompson to determine equivalency to a bachelors and masters in nursing in accordance with §3515.B.4. to meet qualifications for a faculty position.

Motion:

by Dr. Moody that the Education Committee recommend that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing accept the academic qualifications of Alesia Thompson as being equivalent to a bachelors and masters in nursing in accordance with §3515.B.4, thereby qualifying her for a faculty position.

Seconded by Dr. Ferry.

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

Process for Initial Approval of Graduate Programs Preparing Candidates for APRN Licensure:

Ms. Bourgeois presented the request for approval of graduate programs in nursing preparing students in nursing for APRN licensure. Dr. Tate stated for background, the Louisiana State Board of Nursing has promulgated the rules and standards for programs preparing graduates for advance practice licensure and there needs to be a method to declare them initially approved and to authorize staff to go ahead and set some site-visits schedules. Dr. Tate stated extensive data was gathered last year and the data was present in our summery of annual reports submitted to the Committee and the Board. A lengthy discussion followed. Dr. Tate stated that Northwestern is having a site visit next year and that the Committee might direct staff at that time to include a visit on the advance practice program.

Motion:

by Dr. Ferry that the Education Committee recommend to the Louisiana State Board of Nursing that graduate programs preparing candidates for APRN licensure be designated approved initially by the Board based on information provided in 2001 Annual Reports and based on their national accreditation. Further, that a site visit be scheduled for each program in accord with their schedule for national accreditation and/or based on the need as identified by the program or the Education Committee and that each program be visited within five years.

Seconded by Dr. Moody.

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

Loyola University Notify Intent to Initiate RN to MSN Option in their Graduate Program:

Ms. Bourgeois presented the notification by Loyola University of their intent to initiate a RN to MSN option in their graduate program. Dr. Tate stated that Loyola plans to take RNs and bring them to the master's level bypassing the bachelor's degree. The registered nurses will have to take numerous bridge courses, extensive arts and sciences and all the nursing bridge courses required for the BSN. No action required.

Request by Dorothy Landry to Determine if Credentials Qualify to be Program Head of an ADN Program:

Ms. Bourgeois presented the request of Dorothy Landry to determine if her credentials qualify her to be Program Head of an Associate Degree Program. A question was raised concerning an individual having taught for three (3) years in a nursing program as opposed to a broad interpretation of three (3) years in the area of nursing education. It was stated that Ms. Landry has four (4) years in the area of education in a hospital.

by Dr. Ferry that the Education Committee recommend to the Louisiana State Board of Nursing that the qualifications of Dorothy Landry to be a program head of an associate degree program be recognized as being consistent with §3515.B.3.

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

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

1. Louisiana Hospital Association – Tevora Taber name Director of Education Services.

Dr. Tate stated that often when a change in Director takes place, staff would do a site-visit but she believes that one was not needed in this case. Ms. Taber has keep the Board informed and has submitted flyers for all continuing education being presented by the Louisiana Hospital Association. Dr. Tate and Ms. Taber have met informally to assure that approved processes remain in place. The Education Committee agreed.

2. NLNAC – continuing accreditation of Baton Rouge General Medical Center School of Nursing; next visit 2010.
3. CCNE & NLNAC – each retains their status as a nationally recognized accrediting agency by the US DOE.
4. LSU at Alexandria announces the resignation of Patricia Franks, RN, MS, Chair, Department of Nursing, effective date of September 10, 2002

Review of FYI Items:

10:35 a.m.

Adjournment:

Respectfully submitted by:

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

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