

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

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 10, 2023 BOARD MEETING

Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by T. Kindall, President, and Presiding Officer, on Thursday, August 10, 2023, at the Louisiana State Board of Nursing, 17373 Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70810.

Roll Call: The following Board members were in attendance:
Tavell Kindall, PhD, DNP, APRN, FNP, President and Presiding Officer
Tracey Moffatt, MHA, BSN, RN, Vice President
Jennifer Manning, DNS, APRN, CNS, CNE, Alternate Officer
Denise Bottcher
Michelle Collins, Ph.D., CNM, RNC-EFM, FACNM, FAAN, FNAP
Jennifer Couvillon, PhD, RN-BC, CNE
Teresita McNabb, RN, MHA
Wendi Palermo, PhD, RN
Frederick Pinkney, EdD
Mimi Primeaux, MS, BSN, CRNA

The following Board member was not in attendance:
Deborah Spann, MSN, RN-BC, CEN, FAEN

The following staff members were in attendance:
Karen C. Lyon, PhD, MBA, APRN-CNS^{BC}, NEA^{BC}, Executive Director/CEO
Carrie LeBlanc Jones, JD, MBA, Chief Legal Officer/General Counsel
Monique Calmes, DNP, APRN, FNP^C, Chief Credentialing Officer
Isonel Brown, MS, MBA, Chief Administrative Officer
Lauren Papillion, JD, Chief Compliance Officer
Urhonda Beckwith, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC, RNP Director
Geneva Carter, MSN, APRN, RNCO-Team Leader
LaQueda Ricks, Human Resources Manager
Donald Bowman, JD, Attorney Supervisor (Prosecuting Attorney)
Tarneisha Scott, BA, CAA, Executive Assistant to CEO
Suzanne C. Armand, CCR, CVR, Court Reporter

Adoption of the Agenda

Motion: by J. Manning, seconded, to adopt the Agenda as presented.

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: by T. Moffatt, seconded, to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2023 Board Meeting.

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

1. Consent Agenda Motions

1. LSBN Staff Program Status Reports
 1. NCLEX-RN Report
 2. Accreditation Reports
2. Continuing Education Reapproval Application
 1. Nursing CE Central
3. Education Announcements

Motion: by D. Bottcher, seconded, to accept the Consent Agenda Motions.

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Reconsideration of June 2023 Motion on 80% NCLEX RN pass rate.

At the June 22, 2023 Board meeting, the Board passed a motion to adopt an alternative standard consistent with national nursing accreditation agencies that aligns with the pass rate for each campus site and track to be 80% or higher for all examinees, first time and repeaters, who pass for the most recent calendar year.

Dr. Lyon stated she felt the discussion the Board had at the time proceeded without any data. The Board had been asked to look at the last five years to review what would happen if you changed from using the NCLEX-RN first time pass rate only, which 31 jurisdictions use, to using a combination of first time and all repeaters. Dr. Lyon reviewed the data collected and made it available for Board members to review. Dr. Lyon stated she thought it was especially important that the Board have this information, review this data, and reconsider the motion that was made at the June meeting.

Ms. McNabb commented that it was most helpful to have the data.

Dr. Lyon stated that Pearson Vue is the testing agency, and they present all first-time takers for the calendar year and all first-time takers and repeaters for the calendar year.

Dr. Cathy Maddry, Program Director, Bossier Parish Community College, was present to provide information and answer questions from the Board.

Dr. Michelle Dennis, Dean of Nursing and Allied Health, Baton Rouge Community College, was present to provide information and answer questions from the Board.

Ms. Patricia Bailey, Chief Nursing Officer, Minden Medical Center, was present to provide information and answer questions from the Board.

Discussion ensued.

A letter written by Dr. Cheryl Myers, Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs/College Provost, Delgado Community College was read into the record by Dr. Kindall.

Dr. Sandra Brown, Dean and Professor College of Nursing and Allied Health, Southern University Baton Rouge, was present to provide information and to answer questions from the Board.

Ms. Tiffany Williams Varner, Southern University at Shreveport, was present virtually to provide information and to answer questions from the Board.

Dr. Kindall stated the motion at the June Board meeting was made by Dr. Palermo and seconded, “That the Board approve to adopt an alternative standard consistent with national nursing accreditation agencies that aligns to the pass rate for each campus site and track is 80% or higher for all takers, first time and repeaters, who pass for the most recent calendar year.”

Dr. Meg Brown, Associate Dean School of Nursing, Southern University Baton Rouge, was present virtually to provide information and to answer questions from the Board.

Dr. Jennifer M. Lemoine, Professor, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, was present virtually to provide information and answer questions from the Board.

Ms. Allison Adams, Nursing Simulation Lab Associate Professor/Nursing Department Head, Fletcher Technical University, was present virtually to provide information and to answer questions from the Board.

Discussion ensued.

Dr. Donita Potter, Dean of Nursing and Allied Health, Louisiana Delta Community College, Monroe, Louisiana, was present to provide information and to answer questions by the Board.

Ms. Jones stated that there were comments and questions from Dr. Jennifer Lemoine, and Dr. Sharon Hutchinson, Dean and Professor of College of Nursing at Dillard University, who participated virtually.

Discussion ensued as to what action the Board should take going forward.

Motion: by J. Manning, seconded, to rescind the motion from the June 22, 2023 meeting regarding the 80% NCLEX RN pass rate.

Voice Vote: D. Bottcher-yes; M. Collins-no; J. Couvillon-no; T. Kindall-yes; J. Manning-yes; T. McNabb-yes; T. Moffatt-yes; W. Palermo-no; F. Pinkney-yes; M. Primeaux-yes;

Motion Carried

(Break)

(Dr. Kindall called the meeting back to order.)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Continued)

Bossier Parish Community College – LPN to RN Apprenticeship Program

Dr. Lyon reported that this matter has come up several times and in June, there were some issues brought up by the Board. Ms. Maddry has been working diligently to come back with answers to the questions that the Board had. A number of attachments were provided: Clinical Competency, ASN Curriculum, Practical Nursing Curriculum, Nursing Curriculum and Course Descriptions, Operationalization Job Description, Risk of Litigation.

Dr. Lyon stated that the action requested is that the Board would approve Bossier Parish Community College's LPN to RN Apprenticeship Program.

Ms. Cathy Maddry, Program Director, Bossier Parish Community College, and Ms. Patricia Bailey, Chief Nursing Officer, Minden Medical Center, were present to provide information and answer questions from the Board.

Discussion ensued.

Dr. Kindall asked for a motion to approve Bossier Parish Community College's LPN to RN Apprenticeship Program.

Motion: by T. Moffatt, seconded, that the Board would approve Bossier Parish Community College's LPN to RN Apprenticeship Program.

Dr. Kindall rescinded the requested motion.

The matter was tabled until the October Board meeting.

2 Division Reports

Agenda Item 2.1

Division of Nursing Practice

Agenda Item 2.1.1

Chief Credentialing Officer

Agenda Item 2.1.2

Education and Examination

Agenda Item 2.1.2.1

Probationary Status Report

Agenda Item 2.1.2.1.1

Baton/Rouge General Medical Center - Diploma

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended Acceptance.

Motion: by J. Manning, seconded, that the Board accept Baton Rouge General Medical Center's School of Nursing report and action plan regarding the probationary status of the diploma program.

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.2.1.2

Chamberlain University - BSN

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended Acceptance.

Motion: by J. Manning, seconded, that the Board accept Chamberlain University's report and action plan regarding the probationary status of the Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing education degree program.

There being no nays, one abstention, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.2.1.3

Louisiana Christian University – BSN

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended Acceptance.

Motion: by W. Palermo, seconded, that the Board accept Louisiana Christian University's report and action plan regarding the probationary status of the Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing education degree program.

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.2.1.4

Louisiana Delta Community College - ASN

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended Acceptance.

Motion: by M. Collins, seconded, that the Board accept Louisiana Delta Community College's report and action plan regarding the probationary status of the Associate of Science in Nursing education degree program.

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.2.1.5

Louisiana State University at Alexandria - ASN

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended Acceptance.

Motion: by W. Palermo, seconded, that the Board accept Louisiana State University at Alexandria's report and action plan regarding the probationary status of the Associate of Science in Nursing education degree program.

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.2.1.6

Southern University at Baton Rouge - BSN

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended Acceptance.

Motion: by W. Palermo, seconded, that the Board accept Southern University at Baton Rouge's report and action plan regarding the probationary status of the Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing education degree program.

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.2.1.7

Southern University at Shreveport – ASN

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended Acceptance.

Motion: by D. Bottcher, seconded, that the Board accept Southern University at Shreveport's report and action plan regarding the probationary status of the Associate of Science in Nursing education degree program.

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.2.1.8

William Carey University at Baton Rouge General – BSN

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended Acceptance.

Motion: by W. Palermo, seconded, that the Board accept William Carey University at Baton Rouge's report and action plan regarding the probationary status of the Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing education degree program

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.2.2

Out of State APRN Clinical Approval

Agenda Item 2.1.2.2.1

Bradley University

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended approval.

Dr. Rachel Borton, Chair, Department of Nursing, Bradley University, was present virtually to provide information and answer questions from the Board.

Motion: by J. Manning, seconded, that the Board approve the request of Bradley University to offer graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana until August 20, 2026 for the following roles/populations:

- MSN, Family Nurse Practitioner
- RN to MSN, Family Nurse Practitioner
- PMC, Family Nurse Practitioner
- MSN, Nursing Administration
- DNP, Family Nurse Practitioner
- DNP, Leadership

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.2.2.2
University of South Alabama

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended re-approval.

Dr. Heather Hall, Dean College of Nursing and Dr. Emily Bentley, Director for Clinical Affairs, University of South Alabama, were present to provide information and to answer questions from the Board.

Motion: by J. Couvillon, seconded, that the Board re-approve the request of the University of South Alabama to offer graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana until October 15, 2026 for the following roles/populations:

- MSN, DNP, PMC:
- Adult-Gerontological ACNP and PCNP
- Dual Role: Adult-Gerontological ACNP and Family NP
- Family NP
- Psychiatric/Mental Health NP
- Neonatal NP
- Pediatric ACNP and PCNP
- Women's Health NP
- Adult-Gerontological CNS

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.2.2.3
Simmons University

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended approval.

Motion: by D. Bottcher, seconded, that the Board approve the request of Simmons University to offer graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana until August 20, 2026 for the following roles/populations:

MSN and RN to MSN
Family Nurse Practitioner

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.2.2.4
United States University

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended approval.

Motion: by J. Manning, seconded, that the Board approve the request of United States University to offer graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana until August 10, 2026 for the following roles/populations:

MSN, PMC: Family Nurse Practitioner

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.2.2.5
Herzing University

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended approval.

Dr. Dina Hewett, Associate Dean of Nursing, Herzing University, was present to provide information and to answer questions from the Board.

Motion: by J. Couvillon, seconded, that the Board approve the request of Herzing University to offer graduate clinical experiences in Louisiana until August 10, 2026 for the following roles/populations:

Family Nurse Practitioner (MSN, RN-MSN, PMC)

Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (MSN, RN-MSN,
PMC)

Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (MSN, RN-MSN, PMC)

Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner (MSN, RN-MSN,
PMC)

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.2.3
New Louisiana Program

Agenda Item 2.1.2.3.1
Herzing University – Full Approval

Summary/Background presented by Dr. Lyon. Recommended approval.

Dr. Sonia Clarke, Nursing Program Chair, Herzing University, was present to provide information and to answer questions from the Board.

Dr. Palermo congratulated Dr. Clarke.

Motion: by J. Manning, seconded, that the Board approve Step III to establish a Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing education degree program and grant full approval to Herzing University’s College of Nursing.

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

(Break)

(Dr. Kindall called the meeting back to order)

Agenda Item 2.1.3
Licensure and Practice

Within the Nursing Division, they have been busy with the Continuing Education Audit. Due to the Pandemic, the Continuing Education Audit had been waived for the previous two renewal cycles. 2023 is the year the audit would resume. A random sample in July was collected of the licensees that renewed the previous renewal season. They are currently collecting and reviewing these documents

They have also begun the prep work that takes place prior to renewal season which will begin October 1, 2023

Dr. Calmes stated that they have continued to undergo staffing changes, but the work the Board staff does is commendable and especially important to them.

Agenda Item 2.1.3.2
Nurses Distributing Naloxone

Summary/background presented by Dr. Calmes.

Dr. Calmes reported that on June 14, 2023, LSBN staff received an email from Dr. Veronica Gillispie-Bell, who serves as the Medical Director of Louisiana Perinatal Quality Collaborative and Pregnancy

Associated Mortality Review, requesting that LSBN provide a statement of support regarding Naloxone distribution by Nurses.

On July 6, 2023, Board Staff communicated to Dr Gillispie-Bell that this request would be added to the agenda for the August Board meeting.

Motion: by M. Collins, seconded, for the Board to approve the letter of support and Resolution to allow Registered Nurses to participate in the dispensing and distribution of Naloxone or another opioid antagonist.

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.1.3.1

Request for Petition for Declaratory Statement of Advisory Opinion

Summary/background presented by Dr. Calmes.

LSBN received an email from Ms. Jennifer Thomas, attorney, on March 6, 2023, with questions from her clients regarding compounding and reconstitution.

On April 21, 2023, a petition was received from Ms. Thomas for a declaratory statement seeking clarification on the scope of practice because of the statements made in the January Edition of the Examiner article “Intravenous Hydration.”

Ms. Jennifer Thomas was present to obtain a declaratory statement or practice opinion from the Board regarding her petition.

Attachments were made available for the Board’s review.

Discussion ensued.

The Board directed staff to do research and come back with a practice opinion related to the issues which have been presented to the Board today.

Agenda Item 2.1.3.3

Rule Change to LAC 46:XLVII.4303

Dr. Calmes reported that during the April 13, 2023 board meeting, Ms. Moffatt requested that a document related to practice skills for senior nursing students be reviewed and discussed. Ongoing board staff discussions concluded that the best way to approach this was to propose a revision to the rules regarding delegation to nursing students and unsuccessful NCLEX candidates.

A draft of a rule change was attached for review and approval by the Board.

Discussion ensued.

Dr. Calmes will revise the language for the proposed Rule Change to LAC 46.XLVII.4303 and bring it back for the October Board meeting.

(Dr. Palermo exited the meeting at 2:20 p.m.)

(Break)

(Dr. Kindall called the meeting back to order)

Dr. Kindall stated that Vice President Moffatt will be taking over as Chair for the Board meeting as he will be leaving the meeting for a previously scheduled appointment.

(Dr. Kindall exited the meeting at 2:30 p.m.)

Agenda Item 2.2
Compliance Division

Agenda Item 2.2.1
Chief Compliance Officer

L. Papillion reported that there are 25 open Priority 1 cases as of the end of July. Four of the 25 were out of compliance, which is 16%. There was one RNCO case and three compliance investigator cases. The three compliance investigator cases are all criminal and are awaiting final disposition. One of the three compliance investigator cases has since been transferred to hearings awaiting final disposition. .

In the second quarter, Ms. Papillion reported they received 378 complaints. They opened 183 new investigations and closed 129 investigations.

Ms. Papillion was available for questions.

Agenda Item 2.2.2
RNP/Monitoring

Ms. Beckwith reported that staff continue to increase awareness of the RNP. To date, they have provided 17 RNP presentations.

On April 25, Ms. Beckwith completed the Louisiana Action Coalition, Nurse Leadership Mentorship Program.

On September 16th, Ms. Beckwith will be attending the Nightingale Gala to receive a Fellow Award.

On July 2, Robert Reece with Lakeview Health, one of LSBN's recognized treatment centers in Jacksonville, Florida visited LSBN and provided updates on their treatment protocols to the staff.

As of July 31st, RNP Monitoring had a total of 431 participants: 272 RNP and 159 monitoring, 135 Confidential participants and 137 disciplinary.

At the October Board meeting, Dr. Barry Lubin, MRO with Affinity, will provide an update to the Board members on drug screenings.

Treatment centers continue to contact RNP for information on becoming Board recognized.

Ms. Beckwith was available for questions.

Agenda Item 2.2.3
Compliance

Ms. Carter gave an update on the Compliance Department. Currently, they have four 2020 criminal cases that remain open. They have thirty-two 2021 cases, one hundred thirty-one 2022 cases and two hundred seventy-five 2023 cases.

Ms. Carter stated that she and Ms. Papillion were able to attend the Good Government training at the attorney general's office on July 24, 2023.

On April 25, 2023, Ms. Carter completed the Louisiana Action Coalition Nurse Leadership Program. On September 16, 2023, she will be receiving a Fellow Award at the Nightingale Gala.

Ms. Carter thanked the Compliance Department for their hard work.

Ms. Carter was available for questions.

Discussion.

Agenda Item 2.3
Division of Administration

Agenda Item 2.3.1
Chief Administrative Officer

Agenda Item 2.3.1.1
Request for Capital Expenditure (Roof)

Summary/background presented by Ms. Brown.

Ms. Brown stated that she and Ms. LaQueda Ricks are requesting approval for a capital expenditure on a new roof. Amount not to exceed \$220,000:

Motion: by J. Couvillon, seconded, to approve capital expenditure to replace the current roof not to exceed \$200,000 and approval to contract for architectural services not to exceed \$20,000.

Discussion ensued.

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

Ms. Brown reported that the Accounting Department is currently in the process of their audit.

In the IT Department, LSBN is in its reapplication for their electronic records management. The process will be completed by October.

Ms. Brown was available for questions.

Agenda Item 2.3.2
Information Technology

No Report.

Agenda Item 2.3.3
Human Resources

No Report

Agenda Item 2.3.4
Administration Services

No Report

Agenda Item 2.4
Division of Legal Affairs

Agenda Item 2.4.1
Chief Legal Officer

Ms. Jones stated they continue working through their backlog of cases. Originally 10 cases had been scheduled for the August Hearing Panel. One of the 10 cases was continued, two went to hearing, 7 were settled. Three of the 7 settled cases were settled after close of business on Friday. Ms. Jones reported her team had been working hard to resolve these cases. Ms. Jones thanked her team especially with an increase in the number of hearings. Mr. Bowman was integral in settling several of the cases.

Agenda Item 2.4.1.1
Act 393

Ms. Jones reported that SB 201, providing for meetings of boards and commissions via electronic means, was signed by the Governor to become Act 393. It became effective on 8/1/2023.

Act 393 allows for board members to virtually participate in meetings with a few caveats. Ms. Jones presented a summary/background regarding how Act 393 will work for the Board regarding virtual meetings.

Act 393 was provided as an attachment for the Board's review.

Ms. Jones was available for questions.

Agenda Item 2.4.2
Hearings

Mr. Bowman was present and available for questions.

Ms. Moffatt expressed her appreciation of Mr. Bowman's leadership.

3 Office of the Executive Director/CEO

Agenda Item 3.1
LACANE Nursing Scholarships

Dr. Lyon shared with Board members that she had received a notification from LACANE (Louisiana Council of Administrators of Nursing Education), stating that they will award \$500.00 each Fall to provide financial support to a registered nurse pursuing a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing at an accredited nursing program in the state of Louisiana.

Agenda Item 3.2
Resolution: Dr. Patricia Pearce

A Resolution was read into the record by Dr. Lyon in recognition of Dr. Patricia Flannery Pearce who recently passed away.

A **RESOLUTION** to Recognize and Honor Dr. Patricia Flannery Pearce for her Meritorious Service as a Professional Registered Nurse

August 10, 2023

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing honor and commend those citizens who, through their progressive and pioneering nursing careers, have performed admirably in service to patients across Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Patricia Flannery Pearce was one such amazing person, having served in many different nursing capacities throughout her career, which spanned almost 50 years; and

WHEREAS, she completed her Associate Degree in Nursing at St. Mary's College (Minneapolis, MN), Bachelor of Science in Nursing and a Bachelor of Arts in History at Loyola University (New Orleans, LA), Master of Science in Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner) at Mississippi University for Women (Columbus, MS), Master of Public Health at Tulane School of Public Health & Tropical Medicine (New Orleans, LA), and Ph.D. in Nursing at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and

WHEREAS, she worked as a registered nurse from 1976 to 1995, then as a Family Nurse Practitioner, adding her role as nursing faculty; and she worked at LSU Health Sciences Center as a nurse practitioner and as faculty in the School of Nursing as well as at Tulane University Medical School in the Surgical Microbiology Research Laboratory; and she served in nursing faculty roles at the University of Utah (Salt Lake City), University of Alabama (Birmingham), Loyola University (New Orleans), and Interim Dean at Loyola University (New Orleans) College of Graduate and Professional Studies, transitioning it to the College of Nursing and Health; and

WHEREAS, upon retirement from Loyola University as Interim Dean and tenured Professor, she completed several Interim Deanships at Clarke University (Dubuque, IA), the University of San Francisco, and the University of Texas (Permian Basin); Dr. Pearce also worked for the Louisiana State Board of Nursing during retirement as a practice consultant; and

WHEREAS, her professional activities included heavy investment in the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP), the American Nurses Foundation (ANF), and Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing; Dr. Pearce was widely published and had significant presentation history, presenting locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally; and

WHEREAS, she served for years on two editorial boards: Qualitative Health Research and the Journal of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners, for which she served as column editor. Dr. Pearce was an award-winning scholar and nurse practitioner; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing should honor her efforts in promoting nursing excellence; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING that we honor, in memoriam, Dr. Patricia Flannery Pearce for her years of service in the field of Nursing with particular emphasis on advanced nursing practice and academic administration, salute her commitment to professional excellence and celebrate her for making a difference in the lives of others.

Tavell L. Kindall, PhD, DNP, APRN, FNP_{BC}, FAANP
President, Louisiana State Board of Nursing

Dr. Pearce's daughter was unable to attend the meeting but contacted the Board to convey her appreciation for reaching out regarding the Resolution. She appreciated the gesture and stated it was such a comfort to hear from her friends and colleagues.

Ms. Moffatt thanked Dr. Lyon for the beautiful testament to Dr. Pearce.

8.Reports

Agenda Item 4.1
Report of the President

Report Posted.

Agenda Item 4.2
Report of the Vice President

Report Posted

Agenda Item 4.3
Report of the Executive Director

Report Posted.

Motion: by J. Couvillon, seconded, to accept the reports of the President, Vice President, and the CEO/Executive Director as submitted.

There being no nays or abstentions, the motion carried.

5. Professional Development

Nothing presented.

6. National Council State Boards of Nursing

Agenda Item 6.1
Letter from the NCSBN President

Dr. Lyon attached a letter from the NCSBN's president for the Board's information.

They will have the largest representation of LSBN members at this year's annual meeting with five Board members and three staff attending.

7 Public Comments

There were no public comments.

8. Executive Session

Motion: by D. Bottcher, seconded, to go into Executive Session for the purposes of hearing the Report on Litigation and Personnel Issues.

Voice Vote: D. Bottcher-yes; M. Collins-yes; J. Couvillon-yes; J. Manning-yes;
T. McNabb-yes; T. Moffatt-yes; F. Pinkney-yes; M. Primeaux-yes;

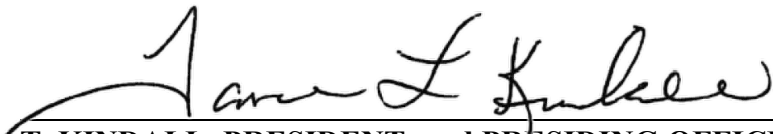
Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT:

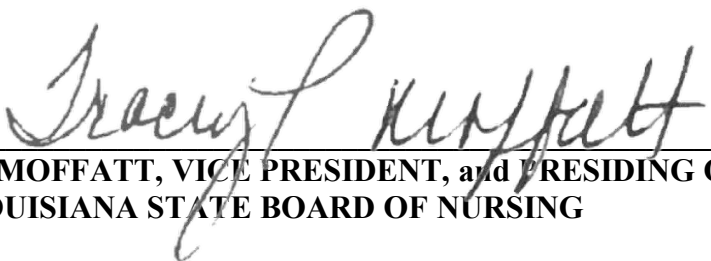
After returning from Executive Session, the Board Meeting was adjourned.

Motion: by T. McNabb, seconded, to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.



**T. KINDALL, PRESIDENT, and PRESIDING OFFICER
LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING**



**T. MOFFATT, VICE PRESIDENT, and PRESIDING OFFICER
LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING**