

**NURSING SUPPLY AND DEMAND COUNCIL
MINUTES
Feb. 7, 2020**

The Nursing Supply and Demand Council (NSDC) met on February 7, 2020, in the Board Conference Room of the Claiborne Building 6th Floor, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Cynthia Bienemy called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m. The roll was called, and a quorum was established

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL MEMBERS OR DESIGNEE PRESENT

Chair Cynthia Bienemy, LA State Board of Nursing *
Vice Chair Bronwyn Doyle, LAICU *
Paul Salles (designee), LA Hospital Association
Lisa Deaton, LA State Nurses Association *
Antiqua Smart, LA Association of Nurse Practitioners*
(designee)
Rhonda Picou, LCTCS System (designee)
Wendy Bailes, LA Council of Admin. of Nursing
Education
Trudy Williams, Southern University School of Nursing
(designee)
Beth Norris, LA Organization for Nursing Leadership
Cheryl Taylor, LA State Black Nurses Organization

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

Jennifer Badeaux, Nurse Anesthetists *
Lynn Ansardi, LA State Board of Practical
Nurses
Jill Gautreau, LA School Nurses
Organization
Gail Gibson, Office of Public Health
Nathalie Walker, LA Council of
periOperative Registered Nurses
Wes Hataway, LA Nursing Home
Association
Randall Brumfield, Board of Regents

GUESTS

Cara Landry, Board of Regents
Mellynn Baker, Board of Regents
Paul Salles, LA Hospital Association
Dorothy Kelly
Lisa Richard, Thibodaux Regional
Allison Robicheaux, Thibodaux Regional
Ahnyel Jones-Burkes, LA State Nurses
Association

*Executive Members

WELCOME/ INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Dr. Cynthia Bienemy invited everyone to go around the table and introduce themselves.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the December 12, 2019, meeting was reviewed and approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/ CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Lisa Deaton, LA State Nurse Association, announced to the Council that the LA State Nurses Association, along with their political action committee, will be holding their annual “Link to the Legislature” and LANPAC meeting on April 29th. She also gave a brief recap of the Louisiana Action Coalition’s fifth Nurse Leader Institute. Ms. Bronwyn Doyle, LAICU, announced that LAICU has a new president, Dr. Kenya Messer. Ms. Antiqua Smart, LA Association of Nurse Practitioners, mentioned they will be having their third annual Health Policy Conference on March 13th at the Renaissance hotel in Baton Rouge. Dr. Bienemy gave a brief update on the Future of Nursing Campaign for Action and announced that the 2020-2030 report is scheduled to be released in December.

HEALTH WORKS COMMISSION UPDATE

- a. Update on HWC Meeting held on January 27, 2020 –
Mr. Paul Salles, Chairmen of the HWC, briefed the Council on some of the topics that were discussed at the meeting such as flexibility amongst the systems to disperse nurse capitation funds to their institutions.
- b. HCR 60 –
Mr. Salles informed the Council that the HCR60 (Workplace Violence Amongst Healthcare Professionals) report was submitted by the NSDC HCR 60 Workgroup and approved by the Commission. He mentioned that the report was transmitted to the to the appropriate committees in the legislature.

Mr. Salles also stated that Ms. Erin Cowser, Board of Regents, spoke briefly to the Commission in regard to the Board of Regents priorities during this upcoming legislative session that begins March 9th.

PRIMARY FOCUS OF THIS MEETING – Feedback and discussion on Draft #1 of the 2019 NSDC Annual Report using data driven reports that have been shared with the Council by the Louisiana Center for Nursing, as well as additional reports obtained from LSBPNE and LDH/ Health Standards, all of which address Louisiana’s nursing workforce (RNs, APRNs, LPNs, and CNAs).

Dr. Bienemy addressed the Council stating that Vice Chair Bronwyn Doyle served as the lead for the 2019 annual report writing group, with the assistance of Ms. Lisa Deaton. Vice Chair Doyle provided an overview of the current draft of the report along with changes in formatting and reviewed each section of the draft report with the Council. There were discussions about how very little data exists regarding nurse aides and how a registry would be very beneficial. The topics of nursing faculty shortages, salaries, recommendations based on findings from the report, and the general wordsmithing of the report were discussed in length.

On the motion of Ms. Deaton, and seconded by Dr. Wendy Bailes, the Council approved the report with the discussed modifications, leaving the chair and vice chair of the Council to review and finalize the report prior to its submission to the Health Works Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

In absence of a quorum, the NSDC Executive Committee is authorized to hear the agenda and take action as required. Executive Committee Members are:

*LSBN Cynthia Bienemy, Chair
LSNA Lisa Deaton/Ahnyel Burkes
LANA Jennifer Badeaux*

*LANP Kathy Baldrige
LAICU Bronwyn Doyle, Vice Chair*