

HEALTH WORKS COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

October 13, 2015 • 10:00 A.M.

Arkansas Room • Claiborne Building • 1201 North Third Street • Baton Rouge, LA

Chair Laurie Fontenot convened the meeting of the Health Works Commission at 10:11 a.m. on Tuesday, October 13, 2015, in the Arkansas Conference Room in the Claiborne Building, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Roll was called, and absent a quorum of the Commission, a quorum of the Executive Committee was established.

Commission Members Present

Lynn Ansardi
LA State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners
Sheila Chauvin
Simulation Medical Training and Education Council(ex officio)
Mary Ann Coleman
LA Association of Independent Colleges & Universities
Rebecca Dowdy
LA Hospital Association

Executive Committee Members Present

Laurie Fontenot
Nursing Supply and Demand Council
Sean Graham
LA State Medical Society
Edward Martin
Interagency Task Force on Future of Family Medicine
Ram Paragi
Medical Education Commission
Larry Tremblay
Louisiana Board of Regents

Executive Committee Members Absent

Joseph McCulloch
LSUHSC-Shreveport
KarenSue Zoeller
LA Nursing Home Association

Commission Members Absent

Mignonne Ater
LA Community & Technical College System
Nancy Davis
LA State Board of Nursing
Lauren Gleason
Governor's Office
Dr. Henry Gremillion
LSUHSC School of Dentistry
Representative Kenny Havard
House Committee on Health & Welfare
Senator David Heitmeier
Senate Committee on Health & Welfare
Charles Moniette
Occupational Forecasting Conference
Avis Richard-Griffin
Department of Health and Hospitals
Jenee Slocum
Louisiana Workforce Development

Guests

Lisa Deaton
LA State Nurses Association
Kathy Hoyt
Board of Regents

Approval of August 18, 2015 Minutes

The minutes of the August 18, 2015 meeting were reviewed and corrections and edits were noted.

On motion of Larry Tremblay, seconded by Edward Martin, the Executive Committee of the Health Works Commission voted to approve as amended the minutes of the August 18, 2015 meeting.

Review of Funding Proposals for FY 2015-16

At Chair Fontenot's request, Dr. Larry Tremblay reviewed the Health Works Funding memo of October 8, 2015 (Attachment A), that was sent to the Health Works Commission by Chair Laurie Fontenot. With the SMTEC-LA proposal revised to include faculty development only, Dr. Tremblay explained that the recommendation for consideration was to spread the funds so that each proposal received approximately ninety percent of their original requests. Dr. Sheila Chauvin commented that the \$2,000 reduction to the SMTEC-LA proposal would adversely affect their training efforts as the original proposal had been at the bare minimum. Ms. Lisa Deaton, speaking on behalf of the Louisiana Action Coalition, volunteered to reduce the LAC/LACANE proposal request by \$2,000 to assist.

On motion of Larry Tremblay, seconded by Edward Martin, the Executive Committee of the Health Works Commission voted to approve the following distribution of funds:

- **Tuition Reimbursement for Minority RNs Pursuing PCFNP** (\$48,000)
- **Recruitment and Retention Attributes Important to New Graduate Registered Nurses Employed on Adult Acute Care Medical Surgical Units** (\$ 6,000)
- **Statewide Simulation Faculty Development (SimFD)** (\$27,000)
- **Tuition Reimbursement for Nurse Educators** (\$99,000)

The motion passed unanimously.

Other Business

Dr. Tremblay requested that the Commission give consideration to the matter of contingency arrangements for altering funding actions that would not require the re-convening of the full Health Works Commission. Ms. Mary Ann Coleman initiated a discussion regarding attendance and varying approaches to achieving membership quorum for wider consideration and action on commission business. Dr. Tremblay indicated he would research some of the varying options discussed.

It was proposed that a Doodle poll would be circulated to decide on the date and time for the first quarter 2016 meeting of the Health Works Commission.

Adjournment

On motion of Larry Tremblay, seconded by Edward Martin, the Executive Committee of the Health Works Commission voted to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

Executive Committee Members: Laurie Fontenot, Chair; Rebecca Dowdy, Sean Graham, KarenSue Zoeller, Edward Martin, Joe McCulloch, Larry Tremblay. Non-Voting Member: Sheila Chauvin

ATTACHMENT A

October 8, 2015

TO: Members, Health Works Commission
FROM: Laurie Fontenot, Chair
RE: Health Works Funding

At its meeting on August 18th, the Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Commission in the absence of a Commission quorum, made funding recommendations for those proposals submitted for consideration for 2015-16. The requests totaled approximately \$276,000 and \$180,000 was available to support these proposals. The funding recommendations adopted by the Executive Committee at that meeting were as follows:

| <u>Sponsor</u> | <u>Proposal</u> | <u>Requested</u> | <u>Recommended</u> |
|----------------|---|------------------|--------------------|
| SMTEC-LA | Point-of-care training/faculty dev't | \$100,000 | \$40,000 |
| LOL | Recruitment/retention attributes | \$ 6,363 | \$ 6,000 |
| LAC | Tuition reim. for minority RNs pursuing PCFNP | \$ 60,000 | \$40,000 |
| LACANE | Tuition reim. for nurse educators | \$110,250 | \$94,000 |
| TOTAL | | \$276,613 | \$180,000 |

Following the meeting, as requested by the Executive Committee, Larry Tremblay contacted each sponsor to determine whether each wanted to accept the award at the recommended amount and, if so, to alter the proposal to reflect the recommended amount. All sponsors responded favorably. However, he was informed that due to job changes and related matters, the SMTEC-LA proposal would no longer be able to support the point-of-care aspect of the proposal. The Executive Committee had expressed some concern regarding use of higher education funding to support point-of-care training. Dr. Sheila Chauvin, chair of SMTEC-LA revised the proposal to scale it back solely to faculty development activities, primarily train-the-trainer workshops. The revised proposal will cost \$27,000, freeing up \$13,000 from the original recommendations for other uses.

Unfortunately (lessons learned), the Executive Committee did not provide any authorization to handle this situation; therefore, the Commission needs to reconvene to address the additional dollars available. As chair, I would like to recommend for the Health Works Commission's consideration the following distribution:

| <u>Sponsor</u> | <u>Requested</u> | <u>Recommended</u> | <u>Revised Recommendation</u> |
|----------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| SMTEC-LA | \$100,000 | \$40,000 | \$25,000* |
| LOL | \$ 6,363 | \$ 6,000 | \$ 6,000 |
| LAC | \$ 60,000 | \$40,000 | \$ 50,000 |
| LACANE | \$110,250 | \$94,000 | \$ 99,000 |
| TOTAL | \$276,613 | \$180,000 | \$180,000 |

*Revised request is for \$27,000

The revised support levels I am suggesting for consideration would fund each of the proposals at approximately 90% of the original requests. We can discuss this idea (and any others by Commission members) at the Health Works Commission meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, October 13th at 10:00 in the Arkansas Room on the 1st floor of the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge.

Thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

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