

HEALTH WORKS COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

August 18, 2015 • 10:00 A.M.

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

Chair Laurie Fontenot convened the meeting of the Health Works Commission at 10:15 a.m. on Tuesday, August 18, 2015, in the Napoleon Bonaparte 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

Tina Holland
LA Association of Independent Colleges & Universities

Lauren Gleason
Governor's Office

Ram Paragi
Medical Education Commission

Avis Richard-Griffin
Department of Health and Hospitals

Jenee Slocum
Louisiana Workforce Development

Commission Members Absent

Mignonne Ater
LA Community & Technical College System

Sheila Chauvin
Simulation Medical Training and Education Council(ex officio)

Dr. Henry Gremillion
LSUHSC School of Dentistry

Charles Moniette
Occupational Forecasting Conference

Demetrius Porche
LA State Board of Nursing

Representative Kenny Havard
House Committee on Health & Welfare

Senator David Heitmeier
Senate Committee on Health & Welfare

Executive Committee Members Present

Laurie Fontenot
Nursing Supply and Demand Council

Edward Martin
Interagency Task Force on Future of Family Medicine

Joseph McCulloch
LSUHSC-Shreveport

Larry Tremblay
Louisiana Board of Regents

Executive Committee Members Absent

Sheila Chauvin
LSUHSC-NO

Rebecca Dowdy
LA Hospital Association

Sean Graham
LA State Medical Society

KarenSue Zoeller
LA Nursing Home Association

Guests

Matthew Carlisle, Representative
Simulation Medical Training and Education Council(ex officio)

Cynthia Bienemy
LA State Board of Nursing

Lisa Deaton
LA State Nurses Association

Kathy Hoyt
Board of Regents

Julie Prange, Representative
LA State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners

Susan Steele-Moses
LOLOL College

Michael Thompson, Representative
Louisiana Hospital Association

Approval of March 31, 2015 Minutes

The minutes of the March 31, 2015 meeting were reviewed.

On motion of Edward Martin, seconded by Joseph McCulloch, the Executive Committee of the Health Works Commission voted to approve the minutes of the March 31, 2015 meeting.

Review of Funding Proposals for FY 2015-16

With respect to the Point-of-Care proposal, Dr. Larry Tremblay reported that, unfortunately, the funding for Health Works Commission had been cut, with this year's available funding being \$180,000. Four funding proposals had been submitted, requesting a total of \$276,613.14.

It was decided to hear the presentations of all proposals before making decisions regarding allocation amounts. Each proposal was presented, followed by a period of Q&A by the members of the Commission.

The following four proposals were submitted for consideration:

- Tuition Reimbursement for Minority RNs Pursuing PCFNP (\$60,000.00)
Presented by Lisa Deaton
- Recruitment and Retention Attributes Important to New Graduate Registered Nurses Employed on Adult Acute Care Medical Surgical Units (\$6,363.14)
Presented by Susan Steele-Moses
- Statewide Simulation Faculty Development (SimFD) and Simulation-based, Inter-professional Team Training at the Point-of-Care (PoCSim) (\$100,000.00)
Presented by Matthew Carlisle
- Tuition Reimbursement for Nurse Educators (\$110,250.00)
Presented by Laurie Fontenot

Dr. Tremblay noted the difference between funding for higher education and funding for training of professionals who had already received higher education; perhaps training for professionals would fall under the purview of the Department of Health and Hospitals rather than the Health Works Commission. Ms. Avis Richard-Griffin, Dr. Edward Martin and Ms. Laurie Fontenot commented on how the Professional Team Training portion of the SimFD and PoCSim proposal dovetailed well with the role of DHH.

Dr. McCulloch proposed the following distribution of funds:

- Tuition Reimbursement for Minority RNs Pursuing PCFNP (\$40,000)
- Recruitment and Retention Attributes Important to New Graduate Registered Nurses Employed on Adult Acute Care Medical Surgical Units (\$6,363)
- Statewide Simulation Faculty Development (SimFD) (\$50,000)
- Tuition Reimbursement for Nurse Educators (\$83,637)

The possibility of DHH funding for PoCSim Inter-professional Team Training was then discussed; Ms. Richard-Griffin indicated interest in that direction. After further dialogue, Dr. McCulloch withdrew his prior motion. Following further discussion on funding,

On motion of Larry Tremblay, seconded by Joseph McCulloch, the Executive Committee of the Health Works Commission voted to approve distribution of FY 2015-16 funding as follows:

- **Tuition Reimbursement for Minority RNs Pursuing PCFNP** (\$40,000)
- **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) and PoCSim Inter-professional Team Training** (\$40,000)
- **Tuition Reimbursement for Nurse Educators** (\$94,000)

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Jenee Slocum requested that future proposals include outcomes information and data of the prior year's activity.

Other Business

It was proposed that the next meeting of the Health Works Commission be held during the week of October 5th. A Doodle poll will be distributed to members to select the meeting date.

Adjournment

As Chair Fontenot closed the meeting, Ms. Cynthia Bienemy of the LA Center of Nursing made remarks regarding the work and research of the Center and distributed information regarding the same.

The meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

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