



## Louisiana Rehabilitation Council

P.O. Box 91297  
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9297

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### General Meeting Minutes

July 26, 2018

Claiborne Building, 1201 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Baton Rouge LA 70820

#### Thursday, July 26, 2018

- Members Present** Robert Lobos, Tommy Carnline, Cathy Lazarus, Warren Chauvin, Sue Killam, Jessica Lewis, Brian Wood, Alexis Young, Paul Genco, Krista Scurria, Glyn Butler, Marvin Rush, Gay Young, Tarj Hamilton, Ken York
- Members Absent** Dina Perkins, Susanne Lentz, Nan Magness, Cliff Owens, Libby Murphy, Nicole Walker, Eleanor Murrell
- Liaison** Kandy Baker
- Guests Present** Derek White, Anne Jayes, Jonell Deshotel, Teresa Milner, Annette Pourciau, Amy Houston, Stephen Johnston, Mary Glass, Angela Montgomery, Sigmund Morrel, Brenda Bohrer, Steven Johnston, Chris Anthony, Lynn Blanchard, Bambi Polotzola
- Motivational Minute** Motivational quote.
- Call to Order** The general meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m. with a quorum.
- Minutes** Motion to approve January 2018 LRC General Meeting Minutes was made by Killam, seconded by Lewis. **Motion Passed** without abstention or objection.  
Motion to approve April 2018 LRC General Meeting Minutes with one correction was made by Killam, seconded by Carnline. **Motion Passed** without abstention or objection
- Old Business** Ad Hoc Nominations Committee: Chairperson – Tommy Carnline, Vice Chairperson – Warren Chauvin, Secretary – Tarj Hamilton, Member-at-large – Nicole Walker, Employment Committee Chairperson – Krista Scurria, Transition Committee Chairperson – Sue Killam, and Eligibility and Planning Committee Chairperson – Gay Young. No other nominations from the floor. Motion to accept the nominations was made by Lazarus and seconded by Rush. **Motion passed** without abstention or objection.



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Public Comment	None
LRS Director's Reports	Ken York, LRS Interim Director provided the report. Randall Domingue is OWD Interim Assistant Secretary and replaces Shannon Joseph. Teresa Milner serves as LRS Interim Assistant Director. Expect that the LRS Director position will be filled soon. State VR programs are now required to get prior approval from RSA on a number of expenditures and protocols are in place to submit approval requests. LRS will hire additional staff to increase service capacity.
Standing Committee	The LRC recessed to Standing Committees
Chair Report	LRC Executive Committee will hold a strategic planning session prior to the next LRC meeting to work on goals for SFY 2019. Send any input to K. Baker or Carnline.
Liaison Report	Membership: 23 seats filled; 3 vacancies: 1 Business, Industry and Labor and 1 Parent Training and Information Center and 1 Project 121. LRC Annual Orientation is October 24, 2018. CSAVR meeting is October 27-28, 2019. Chauvin and Lewis expressed interest in attending CSAVR.
Standing Committee Reports	<u>Eligibility and Planning</u> – see attached minutes. <u>Employment Committee</u> : - see attached minutes. <u>Transition Committee</u> – see attached minutes
Member Reports	<u>CAP report</u> - Butler stated CAP has been able to successfully mitigate and resolve LRS consumer complaints and issues. There was one fair hearing in the last three months. Outreach and trainings are being conducted. Would like to work with LRS to continue educating parents and the public about the benefits of Pre-ETS.  <u>SILC report</u> - Lewis stated that the SILC has 21 members and is working on the FFY 2020-2022 State Plan for Independent Living. SILC members are working to increase overall awareness of independent living services in the state and support disability issues through outreach. Recent activities



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include the Association of Programs for Rural Independent Living conference, GODA conference, and National Disability Voter Registration events.

WIC report- Lobos stated the WIC approved two new industry based certification programs: pharmacy tech and advanced certification in forestry. LWC watches the labor market closely and adjusts lists of high demand occupations to remain current. LRS counselors share information on high demand jobs with clients.

**New Business** Meeting date added to schedule: July 25, 2019

**Future meeting dates** October 25, 2018; January 24, 2019; and April 25, 2019

**Adjourn** Young motioned to adjourn, seconded by Lewis and the Council adjourned at 12:13 p.m. without objection.

Members attended the Governor's Office of Disability Affairs Conference.



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#### APPENDIX A

#### Summary of Decisions Made

1. SFY 2019 LRC Executive Committee elected:
  - Chairperson: Tommy Carnline
  - Vice Chairperson: Warren Chauvin
  - Secretary: Tarj Hamilton
  - Member at Large: Nicole Walker
  - Employment Committee Chairperson: Krista Scurria
  - Transition Committee Chairperson: Sue Killam
  - Eligibility and Planning Committee Chairperson: Gay Young

#### APPENDIX B

#### Glossary of Abbreviations

AIVRP	American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Program
CAP	Client Assistance Program
CSAVR	Council of State Administrators of Vocational Rehabilitation
EC	Executive Committee of the Louisiana Rehabilitation Council
IDEA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
LAPTIC	Louisiana Parent Training and Information Center
LRC	Louisiana Rehabilitation Council
LRS	Louisiana Rehabilitation Services
LWC	Louisiana Workforce Commission
NCSRC	National Coalition of State Rehabilitation Councils
RSA	Rehabilitation Services Administration
TACE	Technical Assistance and Continuing Education
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation
WIC	Workforce Investment Council
WIOA	Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014