



State of Louisiana
LOUISIANA COMMISSION FOR THE DEAF
Board of Commissioners
Interpreter Advisory Ad hoc

Wednesday, January 7, 2026
4:30 P.M - 6:30 P.M
Hybrid (In-person and Zoom Webinar)

Location:

The physical location is Benson Towers New Orleans 1450 Poydras Street, Suite 2024, New Orleans, LA 70433. A map is attached. *Limited* on street parking may be available along Sugar Bowl Drive and Poydras Street, or across Poydras Street on Lasalle Street. Garage parking right next to Benson Tower is available at a cost of \$8 in the Superdome Garage 1A.

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Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of December 17, 2025, Minutes
- IV. Approval of January 7, 2026, Agenda
- V. Public Comments (2 minutes limit per person)
- VI. Mandate Review
- VII. Old Business

- a. Identify Purpose, Membership Criteria and other details for creation and implementation of an Interpreter Advisory Committee to the Louisiana Commission for the Deaf Board of Commissioners
 - i. Purpose
 - ii. Membership Criteria
 - iii. Appointments
 - iv. Officers
 - v. Terms of Membership
 - vi. Duties and Powers
 - vii. Official Name of Committee
 - viii. Other

VIII. New Business

IX. Announcements

X. Adjourn

Note: The order of the agenda may not be followed as listed in order to accommodate presenter schedules.

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[RS 46: 2351-2355 Louisiana Commission for the Deaf](#)

The commission shall be governed by a board which is hereby created as a separate and distinct body to support the work of the commission and to advocate on behalf of d/Deaf, DeafBlind, and hard of hearing communities and their families.

[Title 67](#)

SOCIAL SERVICES

Part VII. Rehabilitation Services

Chapter 3. Commission for the Deaf

§309. Louisiana Commission for the Deaf Board of Commissioners

The role and function of the Louisiana Commission for the Deaf board of commissioners are as follows:

1. to support the work of the commission by making recommendations to the commission regarding its programs, policies, procedures, regulations, rules and criteria on behalf of d/Deaf, DeafBlind, and hard of hearing communities and their families
2. to advocate for the general welfare, needs, and rights of d/Deaf, DeafBlind, and hard of hearing individuals in this state through education, advising, informing, and promoting relevant laws, policies, and practices which support the eradication of barriers and discrimination affecting individuals who are d/Deaf, DeafBlind, and hard of hearing.
3. to create standing committees, ad hoc committees, or task forces as needed to assist in carrying out the above objectives.

