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**THE LOUISIANA STATE  
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

**Clinical Laboratory Personnel ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
("CLPAC")**

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**November 10, 2022  
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA**

A meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, CLPAC, pursuant to call of the Committee Chair and upon lawful notice, was duly convened and called to order at 5:07p.m., November 10, 2022, by order of the Committee Chair, via Zoom Conference call.

The videoconference call was broadcast on Youtube with the link of Youtube being published on the LSBME website prior to commencing the public meeting. The Committee Chair advised the public that any comments can be emailed to [publiccomment@lsbme.la.gov](mailto:publiccomment@lsbme.la.gov); verified the identity of all tele and video conference participants; and, ensured the meeting was clear and audible to the public and those on the tele and videoconference.

**Members present were as follows:**

Gaye Brunson, Chair  
Richard Bridges  
Yolanda Bennett  
Larry Broussard  
Nadlyn Rideaux  
Angela Foley  
Melissa Hamilton  
Beverly Ogden  
Valinda Carmon-Walker  
Michele Werner  
Tabitha Whipp

**Members absent were as follows:**

Ashley Ware  
Jessica Lassiter

**Also present:**

Vincent Culotta, Jr., M.D., LSBME Executive Director  
Jacintha Duthu, Executive Staff Officer  
Patsy Jarreau, Director of CLP  
Alexa Little (CLIA Consultant)  
Mary Peyton, General Counsel  
Olivia Pelong, Executive Program Specialist  
Tracy Mauro, IT Technical Support Specialist  
Jim Taylor, M.D., LSBME Board Member

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**I. Introductions**

Committee members introduced themselves and stated their position on the committee. All visitors introduced themselves and stated the name of the organization they represented.

**II. New Business**

**A. Approval of Public Minutes**

Motion to approve minutes of the October 27, 2022 meeting by Larry Broussard and duly seconded by Yolanda Bennett. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

**B Rules and Regulations Review and Update**

Motion by Beverly Ogden to accept rules revisions and submit them to LSBME for consideration at the January meeting. Duly seconded by Angela Foley. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Attorneys will review revisions and determine what changes need to be made to the law for compatibility with the rules and draft a bill. LSBME will review the proposed rule revisions and proposed bill with changes to the law. If approved by the Board, they will solicit a legislator to sponsor the bill.

**C. Pathology Assistants**

Pathology assistants requested they be licensed under the CLP Licensure Law. Beverly Ogden will survey the pathology community on their willingness to support the PAs in this effort. She will also gather information on how other states are dealing with this issue and report back to the committee at the next meeting.

**D. CEU Contract Proposal**

Mary Peyton presented the LSUHSC Department of Medical Laboratory Science CEU proposal for 2023 to the committee. Motion by Michele Werner that the committee recommend the contract to the LSBME. Duly seconded by Nadlyn Rideaux. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Discussion on bidding process followed. If an entity is already on state contract, no bid is necessary. They can submit their proposal for consideration by the committee and the LSBME. If an entity is not on state contract, they must go through the bidding process to submit a CEU proposal. It was noted by Dr. Culotta that the bid process is lengthy and should be initiated early in 2023 for a 2024 contract.

**E. Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn meeting at 6.03pm made by Larry Broussard and duly seconded by Beverly Ogden. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct account of the proceedings of the meeting of the Clinical Laboratory Personnel Advisory Committee of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners.

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Gaye Brunson, CLPAC Chair

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