

**SIMULATION MEDICAL TRAINING AND EDUCATION COUNCIL OF LOUISIANA  
(SMTEC-LA)**

Wednesday, April 19, 2023  
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

North Dakota Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor of the Claiborne Building  
1201 North 3<sup>rd</sup> St.  
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Daryl Lofaso called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Ms. Mellynn Baker called the roll, and noted that a quorum was not established.

<b>Members Present</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
Christina Constanza	LA Board of State Practical Nurse Examiners
Frances Stueben	LA Council of Administrators of Nursing Education*
Gabriel Morley	AHECs for a Healthy Louisiana
Jennifer Calzada	Tulane School of Medicine
Alison Davis	LSU System
Mellynn Baker	Board of Regents*
Vincent Culotta	LA State Board of Medical Examiners
Daryl Lofaso	LSUHSC – New Orleans*
Courtney Metz	LCTCS*
Rosa Walton	Governor’s Office of Elderly Affairs
Ann Warner	University of Louisiana System
<b>Members Absent</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
Claire Stevenson	Governor’s Policy Advisor on Health
Aimee Cloyd	LA Hospital Association*
Nicole Coarsey	LA Department of Health
Karen Lyon	LA State Board of Nursing
Wes Hataway	LA Nursing Home Association*
Tabitha Jones	LA Assoc. of Independent Colleges & Universities
Stacy Lee	LSUHSC-Shreveport
Elizabeth Duncan	LA Department of Education*
Sen. Beth Mizell	LA Senate
Rep. Dustin Miller	House of Representatives
Evon Smith	LA Ambulance Alliance
Kellie Taylor-White	LA Workforce Commission
Trudy Williams	Southern University System

\*Members of the Executive Committee

#### APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 30, 2022 MINUTES

**Due to the absence of a quorum, approval of the minutes of the November 30, 2022, meeting was deferred to the next meeting of the Council.**

#### STRATEGIC PRIORITIES FOR SMTEC-LA

Dr. Lofaso introduced the next item on the agenda related to the strategic priorities of the Council, which was for informational purposes only.

##### **1) Webinars:**

Dr. Lofaso began by discussing the “Lunch and Learn” Zoom session in March 2023, which was attended by 47 people. The Council discussed future webinar topics as well as the time of year for the next webinar. It was determined that September is an ideal time frame and that they would follow up via email concerning next steps related to the planned webinar.

##### **2) 2024 Sim Expo:**

The Council transitioned to discussing the 2024 Simulation Expo. Dr. Lofaso suggested that members discuss location, topics, and a budget. Council members raised various training topics, including trainings to promote empathy, resource insecurities, and interdisciplinary topics. Dr. Culotta suggested addressing a problem specific to Louisiana, such as maternal medicine in the state. This topic impacts many different positions and focusing on it would bring equity and awareness to a problem in the state. In addition to topics the Council discussed the locations, proposing central Louisiana or New Orleans. Following the discussion, Dr. Lofaso summarized the Council agreements: a budget of approximately \$65,000, to provide the expo to attendees at no cost to them, and at location in either Alexandria or New Orleans. It was decided that additional research and discussions would be held in advance of the next Council meeting to further solidify the budget.

##### **3) Camp Fast Forward:**

Dr. Lofaso invited Dr. Gabriel Morley, CEO of Southwest Louisiana Area Health Education Center, to provide an update regarding the funded proposal for Camp Fast Forward. As an overview, Dr. Morley described Camp Fast Forward as an opportunity for middle schoolers to experience CPR class, health science experiments, simulation activities, and much more. The camps were highly successful last year, and camp leaders are excited to host this event for a second year.

**4) Next Meeting Location:**

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held in New Orleans sometime in July.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

**ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES & GUESTS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
Aimee McCauley	LSU Health S.O.N.