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**Minutes of the  
Louisiana State Medical Society  
Board of Governors Meeting – September 12, 2018**

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**Call to Order**

Susan Bankston, MD, President, called the meeting to order, on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at 8:40 AM. Dr. Bankston then led the board in reciting the Physician's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**Verification of Quorum**

Dr. Paddock verified the presence of a quorum.

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**Approval of Minutes**

After reviewing the minutes of June 6, 2018 meeting, the following motion was made:

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**MOTION (APPROVED)**

**ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING ON JUNE 6, 2018 AS PRESENTED.**

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**Actions of the Executive Committee**

Mr. Williams shared with the board members 4 letters that the LSMS signed onto since the last board meeting in June. The letters included an AMA Letter regarding Medicare Advantage step therapy, another AMA letter in response to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' (CMS) proposed 2019 Medicare fee schedule, a second letter related to CMS' 2019 Medicare fee schedule from the coalition of state medical associations and lastly a letter from the Massachusetts Medical Society to the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) regarding their proposed rules for partial fill prescriptions.

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**Update on HealthSYNC of Louisiana**

Mr. Williams provided a verbal update on recent HealthSYNC activities, which included discussing new marketing materials including: videos by steering committee members, the disconnect the fax campaign and lastly a press release for the partnership between the state medical societies participating in physician-led HIE's with KaMMCO. Mr. Williams went on to explain that this new partnership had been approved by the HealthSYNC steering committee and would seek grant funding to collect data related to health disparities. In turn, HealthSYNC would utilize the grant dollars to purchase interfaces for physicians in order to offset the initial cost of participation. In addition to HealthSYNC of Louisiana, the group will consist of the Kansas Health Information Network, Health-e Paradigm (GA), CT Healthlink (CT), Carolina eHealth Network (SC), OneHealth New Jersey and the Show-Me Health Information Network of Missouri. Collectively the 7 health information exchanges will be called the Health-E(quity) Network of Change (HENC). Lastly, Mr. Williams informed the board that Dr. Donnie Batie of Baton Rouge would be representing HealthSYNC on HENC.

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**Update and Review Draft Procedures of the House of Delegates**

Mr. Williams directed the board to a draft copy of the procedures of the House of Delegates that contained proposed updates as a result of local independence. These updates were discussed at the June 6, 2018 board meeting and staff was directed to send a copy of the proposed changes to chartered and affiliate medical societies allowing them 60 days to review and provide feedback prior to this meeting of the board of governors. Mr. Williams informed the board that this directive was carried out on June 29, 2018 and chartered and affiliate societies were given until August 31, 2018 to respond. Mr. Williams stated that he did not receive any responses other than one that pointed out a typographical error in the

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1 document. Mr. Williams then went on to further explain how the duties outlined in the procedures  
2 would be implemented. Afterwards, a few board members still had some questions and concerns, which  
3 led to following motions being made:  
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5 **MOTION (APPROVED)**

6 **AMEND THE COMPOSITION OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES SECTION OF THE**  
7 **PROCEDURES OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES SO IT IS CLEAR THAT CHARTERED**  
8 **MEDICAL SOCIETIES ELECT THEIR OWN DELEGATES VERSUS AFFILIATE**  
9 **SOCIETIES WHO MAY NOMINATE DELEGATES WHO ARE ULTIMATELY ELECTED BY**  
10 **THE DISTRICT.**

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12 **MOTION (APPROVED)**

13 **THE SLATE OF NOMINEES FOR DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE DELEGATE POSITIONS**  
14 **FOR EACH OF THE TEN LSMS DISTRICTS, LESS THOSE ELECTED BY A CHARTERED**  
15 **MEDICAL SOCIETY, WILL BE LISTED IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER AND**  
16 **ELECTRONICALLY VOTED ON BY EACH MEDICAL DISTRICT. IF NECESSARY, RUN-**  
17 **OFF ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD.**

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19 **Update on LSMS Independent Practice Association (IPA)**

20 Mr. Williams directed the board to a short written update prepared in advance of the meeting by Lauren  
21 Bailey, LSMS vice president of legal affairs. The report states that to date, we have spent a total of  
22 \$1,911 for outside legal services relative to the development of the IPA. Ms. Bailey is still conducting  
23 some due diligence work before moving any further or committing additional funds. At this time, the  
24 IPA proposal is on schedule.  
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26 **Update on LSMS Trademark**

27 Ms. Bailey provided the board members with a written update in advance of the meeting, which stated  
28 she received written notification on August 20, 2018 that no third party had timely filed an opposition to  
29 our application for registration of the LSMS logo. Therefore, within the next month, the U.S.  
30 Trademark Office should issue a registration certificate to the LSMS.  
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32 **Update on LSMS Resolutions to the AMA House of Delegates**

33 Mr. Williams informed the board that the two resolutions submitted by the Louisiana Delegation to the  
34 AMA House of Delegates were both reaffirmed as AMA policy at their June meeting. Resolution R101-  
35 A18 (Medicaid Reform) and R204-A18 (EHR Proficiency) were both listed on the AMA's reaffirmation  
36 calendar and passed without objection.  
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38 **Update on Vision 20/20**

39 Mr. Williams presented the board with a set of high-level analytics measuring our current progress  
40 towards meeting the objectives and goals laid out in the Vision 20/20 plan from December 2015. The  
41 entire plan was made available for all board members to review as many were not part of the board of  
42 governors at the time the Vision 20/20 plan was completed. The data sets reviewed included:  
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44 Key Success Factor/Goal #1 – Clearly define the mission, vision and guiding principles of the LSMS  
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Status of Strategy Recommendations	Quantity
Completed in 2016	5
On-going/Work in Progress	0
No work has Begun	1

1 Key Success Factor/Goal #2 – Firmly establishes the LSMS as the leading physician membership  
2 organization in the state through advocacy, education and communication.

Status of Strategy Recommendations	Quantity
Completed	5
On-going	8
No longer applicable	0

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4 Key Success Factor/Goal #3 – Retain existing membership, while working to attract new members.

Status of Strategy Recommendations	Quantity
Completed	10
On-going	6
No longer applicable	1

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7 Key Success Factor/Goal #4 – Enhance member communication and contact

Status of Strategy Recommendations	Quantity
Completed	4
On-going	4
No longer applicable	0

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10 Key Success Factor/Goal #5 – Develop non dues revenue streams to support the activities of the society.

Status of Strategy Recommendations	Quantity
Completed	0
On-going	12
No longer applicable	0

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13 **Update on Establishing a Board Chair versus Extending Presidential Term**

14 Dr. Bankston and the board continued their discussions from their June 6, 2018 meeting where they  
15 explored the possibility of either creating a board chair position and/or extending presidential terms from  
16 one-year to two-years. As directed at that meeting, Mr. Williams reached out to other states to  
17 determine if they employed either of these options. Mr. Williams stated that no one he talked to had 2-  
18 year presidential terms because the commitment to the office, i.e. president-elect, president and  
19 immediate past president was too much. However, several states do have board chairs who set the board  
20 agenda and run the meetings, while the president is the figurehead of the organization. Dr. Bankston felt  
21 this type of arrangement could potentially lead to additional LSMS representation at the legislature for  
22 those instances when the president is unavailable. However, many board members felt this could be  
23 addressed by asking more of either the vice president, president-elect, or chairman of the council on  
24 legislation. After much discussion, the following motion was made:

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26 **MOTION (APPROVED)**

27 **DIRECTED STAFF TO WORK WITH THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BRING**  
28 **POTENTIAL CHANGES AND/OR UPDATES TO DUTIES OF OFFICERS TO THE**  
29 **DECEMBER 2018 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR DISCUSSION.**

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31 **Update on Future Operations of the Journal of the LSMS**

32 Chris LeBouef, senior director of communications, updated the board on a recent decision by the  
33 Literature Selection Technical Review Committee (LSTRC), which directly impacts the current focus  
34 and future direction of the Journal. Mr. LeBouef explained that LSTRC is the federal advisory

1 committee that reviews and ultimately decides which journals are included in MEDLINE. In December  
2 2017 the Journal submitted a new application to LSTRC seeking continued indexing for articles  
3 published in our Journal. That application, along with approximately 500 others, was reviewed in June  
4 2018 and denied. Only 17 out of 500 journals (3.4%) were approved for indexing. The topics of our  
5 articles, review process, closed access (member benefit), and geographical restrictions (Louisiana only)  
6 were all cited as part of the reasoning for not accepting our application. In order to be approved, a  
7 journal must receive at least a 3.75 out of 5.0 rating from the LSTRC; the Journal of the LSMS received  
8 a score of 2.1. Mr. LeBouef went on to say that a scientific journal that could not be indexed provided  
9 little benefit to those wishing to have a research paper published. This fact, in addition to, the situation  
10 where many of the Journal articles are being written by non LSMS members and reviewed by an  
11 editorial board that's also composed of many nonmembers led staff, at the direction of the board, to  
12 develop three potential future paths for the Journal of the LSMS to take. All three included turning the  
13 Journal into a healthcare magazine that retains a scientific component that will not be indexed anywhere  
14 with the key differences being delivery options and frequency. The board options included: 1) three  
15 printed Journal's each year plus a printed year in review, all would include space for advertising and  
16 internal promotions. 2) a single printed issue each year that is issue-based, which would also contain  
17 advertising opportunities. 3) Resubmit a LSTRC application in 2021, which is the earliest window for  
18 reapplying. After much discussion and several questions, the following motion was made:

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20 **MOTION (APPROVED)**

21 **THE LSMS BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVES MOVING THE JOURNAL OF THE LSMS**  
22 **AWAY FROM A PEER REVIEWED SCIENTIFIC JOURNAL TO A HEALTHCARE**  
23 **MAGAZINE THAT WILL RETAIN A SCIENTIFIC COMPONENT TO BE PUBLISHED IN**  
24 **PRINT THREE TIMES PER YEAR BEGINNING IN 2019.**

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26 **Update on District 3 – Terrebonne Parish Medical Society**

27 As previously discussed at the June 6, 2018 meeting, Dr. White, Chair of the Board of Councilors,  
28 informed the board of an on-going concern in District 3 where two competing medical societies have  
29 both expressed interest in being formally recognized by the LSMS. However, LSMS Bylaws state there  
30 shall be only one medical society chartered within the geographic confines of a Parish. In the event that  
31 there is an Affiliated Parish Society within the confines of a parish, then a medical society shall not be  
32 chartered within that parish. In the event that there is a Chartered Parish Society within the confines of a  
33 parish, then there shall not be an Affiliated Parish Society within that parish. Therefore, at the June 6,  
34 2018 meeting, the board of governors directed staff to notify both organizations in Terrebonne Parish  
35 and request they submit the required paperwork and information in order to be considered for chartered  
36 or affiliate status by the LSMS. All required paperwork should be submitted to staff no later than  
37 August 1, 2018. Furthermore, any organization that submits the required documents and meets the  
38 above deadline must send a representative to the next LSMS Board of Governors meeting on September  
39 12, 2018. Terri Watson, director of administration and member services notified the board that the  
40 Terrebonne Medical Society had met all of the LSMS' requirements while the Terrebonne Parish  
41 Medical Society had not. However, Mrs. Watson informed the board that it might be a moot point as  
42 she received a letter dated July 31, 2018 stating that the two entities wished to merge into a new entity  
43 that would operate as the Terrebonne Medical Society and that they wished to be approved as an affiliate  
44 society. Dr. Thomas Weed, president of the Terrebonne Medical Society attended the meeting and  
45 answered questions and addressed concerns. Dr. Weed reiterated they desire to merge and seek affiliate  
46 society status. After many questions and much discussion, the following motion was made:

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48 **MOTION (APPROVED)**

49 **THE LSMS BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVES THE TERREBONNE MEDICAL**  
50 **SOCIETY AS AN AFFILIATE SOCIETY OF THE LOUISIANA STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY.**

1 **FraudRx-Alert**

2 Mr. Williams brought a request from a company called FraudRx-Alert that is the first and only software  
3 as a service (app) for use by prescribers to monitor their DEA number. While prescribers and their staff  
4 have access to this data today, only FraudRx-Alert alleviates the burden of searching for potential fraud  
5 and abuse on an ongoing basis. FraudRx-Alert brings the same technology that banks use to protect your  
6 credit and debit card to prescribers by: 1) monitoring one or more states' PDMP databases, 2) using  
7 sophisticated algorithms to recognize prescriptions that are anomalies based on a prescriber's history  
8 and current trends in fraud and abuse statistics, 3) allowing physicians to create custom prescription  
9 writing profiles for specific drugs and classes and 4) proactively alerting physicians via preferred  
10 method (SMS, telephone, email) when their DEA number is potentially being used for fraud or abuse.  
11 The owners of FraudRx-Alert are asking the LSMS to support legislation that would allow them access  
12 to the state's prescription monitoring program (PMP), which is currently only accessible to prescribers,  
13 prescribers' designees and pharmacists. Mr. Williams stated that the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy  
14 would not support opening up the PMP for additional access unless it was supported by the LSMS. The  
15 board had a major concern related to opening up access to the PMP as it would set a precedent and may  
16 allow others, who may not have prescribers and their patients' best interest in mind, future access to the  
17 PMP. The board was also worried about unintended consequences, which are always a possibility when  
18 you seek to revisit legislation. Lastly, the board just did not see a need for the product. Therefore, the  
19 following motion was made:

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21 **MOTION (APPROVED)**

22 **THE LSMS BOARD OF GOVERNORS VOTES NOT TO ENDORSE FRAUDRX-ALERT IN**  
23 **ITS EFFORTS TO ACCESS THE PRESCRIPTION MONITORING PROGRAM.**

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25 **Update on Patients Compensation Fund Oversight Board**

26 Mr. Williams informed the board that he attended the July 12, August 2 and September 6 meetings of  
27 the Louisiana Patients Compensation Fund Oversight Board on behalf of LSMS members and provided  
28 the LSMS Board of Governors with a summary report on the items discussed and actions taken during  
29 the public portion of the meetings. At its July meeting, the PCF Board approved surcharge rates for  
30 2019. The new rates for 2019 are as follows:

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- 33 ■ Physicians Class 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8 – 1.9% decrease
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  - 36 ■ Physicians Class 2A, 4, 6 – 2.4% decrease
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38 Additionally, Mr. Williams notified the board that a recently appointed physician representative on the  
39 PCF resigned and there was a vacancy for the remainder of the term. Mr. Williams informed the board  
40 he resubmitted the previously approved LSMS nominees to the Governor's office for reconsideration.  
41 The names of Patrick Breaux, MD and Randall Miller, MD for forwarded to the office of boards and  
42 commissions.

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44 **Update on Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners**

45 Mr. Williams provided a short update on recent activities that occurred at the June, July and August  
46 2018 meetings of the LSBME. Highlights of the meetings included: introducing Dr. Trenton James as  
47 the interim director of investigations; seating new members Rita Horton, MD, James Taylor, MD, Terrie  
48 Thomas, MD and Kim Sport; the continuing dialogue and discussion surrounding the implementation of  
49 therapeutic marijuana in Louisiana; purchasing a new parking facility; best practices related to licensure  
50 fees; prior authorization draft rules; due process rights; board certification; simplification of physician

1 assistant agreements; telemedicine and physician wellness. The board had several questions that require  
2 additional information and/or clarification from the LSBME and therefore approved the following  
3 motion:

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5 **MOTION (APPROVED)**

6 **DIRECT STAFF TO DRAFT A LETTER TO THE LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF**  
7 **MEDICAL EXAMINERS REQUESTING: 1) AN ADVISORY OPINION FOR PHYSICIANS ON**  
8 **THERAPEUTIC MARIJUANA AND 2) CLARIFICATION ON WHAT APPEARS TO BE A**  
9 **DISCREPANCY IN LSBME RULES AND STATE LAW AS TO THE PATIENT LOCATION**  
10 **DURING A TELEMEDICINE VISIT.**

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12 **Update on LSMS Town Hall Meetings**

13 Mr. Williams provided a brief summary on the overwhelming success of the inaugural town hall  
14 meetings, specifically that most attendees were not familiar faces and many were younger both of which  
15 were positives. Additionally, Mr. Williams summarized the issues that arose from the meetings and  
16 asked the board to take some sort of action on each item. Without making formal motions, the board  
17 authorized the following activities related to the town hall 2018 action items as follows:

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**Town Hall Issue**

**LSMS Action**

General concerns regarding opioid prescribing

Directed staff to create a summary document of opioid prescribing law/rules and distribute to membership.

General concerns and clarifications related to medical marijuana

Directed staff to draft a letter to the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners requesting they publish an advisory opinion for physicians on medical marijuana.

Physicians in legislative leadership roles

Directed staff to publish future dates and times of AMPAC's Candidate Workshops and Campaign Schools hosted by the American Medical Association (AMA).

Computer generated refills at pharmacies

Directed staff to work with interested parties and draft a resolution for the 2019 House of Delegates.

Streamline the prior authorization process

Directed staff to work with interested parties and draft a resolution for the 2019 House of Delegates.

Payment issues with the 2019 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule

The LSMS submitted comments directly to CMS and also signed onto 2 other letters from the AMA and the coalition of state medical societies.

Opportunities for residents and fellows in the LSMS

Directed staff to communicate directly with the LSMS resident and fellow section the current opportunities available and to work collaboratively on potential new opportunities.

General concerns surrounding the new college of Osteopathic Medicine at the University of

Direct executive vice president to reach out to medical school leaders and invite them to the

Louisiana at Monroe.	December meeting of the LSMS Board of Governors to provide information and answer questions.
Non-compete clauses in physician contracts.	Directed staff to work with interested parties and draft a resolution for the 2019 House of Delegates.
Physician due process clarification	Directed staff to develop a comprehensive guide to understanding your due process rights as a physician.
Navigating MACRA and the Quality Payment Program	Directed staff to push out current information on LSMS website back out to members via the QW e-newsletter.
EHR's and interoperability	Directed staff to continue current efforts related to HealthSYNC of Louisiana, which is the LSMS owned, physician-led health information system in Louisiana.
Preserving the private practice of medicine	Directed staff to continue efforts to create a LSMS owned independent physician association (IPA)
Two Medicare regions in Louisiana	Directed staff to contact CMS and gather more information related to the issue and bring it back to the board at its December 2018 meeting.

1 **Pro Active Immunization Activities**

2 Dr. Bankston updated board members on a recent meeting she attended with representatives from the  
3 Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians (LAFP), Louisiana Chapter of the American Academy of  
4 Pediatrics (LAAAP) and representatives from multiple pharmaceutical companies related to recent  
5 efforts in Texas to pass legislation that would make child immunizations optional. Pharma organized  
6 this meeting to discuss this anti-vaccination effort and the organized response in Texas by the Texas  
7 Medical Association and other stakeholders. Dr. Bankston explained the Texas Public Health Coalition  
8 conducted a scientific survey among Republican Primary Voters across Texas. Interviews were  
9 conducted July 7-10, 2018 by telephone, including landlines and cell phones and the question was asked  
10 "do you support child immunization laws?" The survey yielded the following results: strongly support  
11 (71%), somewhat support (15%), don't know (4%), somewhat oppose (2%) and strongly oppose (8%)  
12 with a  $\pm$  4% margin of error. The pharma representatives explained that this overwhelming support  
13 from Texas voters helped stop multiple pieces of anti-vaccination legislation. Dr. Bankston stated that  
14 the pharmaceutical representatives had a similar request for the LSMS and Louisiana. Mr. Williams  
15 subsequently met with the executive directors of LAFP and LAAAP and all agreed they felt this was a  
16 great endeavor for our organizations and each believed they could secure grant funds from multiple  
17 pharmaceutical companies to pay for the survey. Lastly, Dr. Bankston explained this could be an effort  
18 undertaken in 2019 that would coincide with the next election cycle, where 50% or more of the current  
19 representatives and senators will be replaced due to term limits. After discussion and questions, the  
20 following motion was made:

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1 **MOTION (APPROVED)**

2 **APPROVE THE LSMS PARTNERING WITH OTHER INTERESTED HEALTH CARE**  
3 **STAKEHOLDERS AND SEEK GRANT FUNDING FROM INTERESTED**  
4 **PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES TO CONDUCT A CHILDHOOD IMMUNIZATION**  
5 **SURVEY OF REGISTERED VOTERS IN LOUISIANA.**

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7 **Do No Harm (video)**

8 The board watched a short video trailer for a documentary film called “Do no harm”, which addresses  
9 physician suicide. It features medical students and families of physicians touched by suicide who come  
10 out of the shadows to expose this silent epidemic and the truth about a sick healthcare system that not  
11 only drives our brilliant young doctors to take their own lives but puts patients’ lives at risk too. After  
12 the video, Mr. Williams asked the board if they would like to show the video at the 2019 House of  
13 Delegates. After several questions were addressed the following motion was made:

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15 **MOTION (APPROVED)**

16 **THE LSMS BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVES SCREENING THE FILM “DO NO**  
17 **HARM” WHICH FOCUSES ON PHYSICIAN SUICIDE AT THE 2019 ANNUAL MEETING OF**  
18 **THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES.**

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20 **How to Inspire Great Leaders (video)**

21 The board also watched a short Ted Talk entitled “how to inspire great leaders”, which explains how the  
22 best organizations sell the ‘why’ first, and use this to inspire others. People don’t buy what you do, but  
23 why you do it. The board enjoyed the video and the following motion was made:

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25 **MOTION (APPROVED)**

26 **THE LSMS BOARD OF GOVERNORS DIRECTS STAFF TO MAKE THE APPROPRIATE**  
27 **PLANS TO SHOW THE “HOW TO INSPIRE GREAT LEADERS” AT THE 2019 ANNUAL**  
28 **MEETING OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES.**

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30 **Expanding Specialty Representation in the HOD**

31 Mr. Williams asked the board if they would be interested in potentially submitting a resolution to the  
32 2019 LSMS House of Delegates that would change and/or expand specialty society representation  
33 within the LSMS House of Delegates. After questions and discussion, the following motion was made:

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35 **MOTION (APPROVED)**

36 **DIRECT STAFF TO DRAFT A RESOLUTION THAT WOULD EXPAND SPECIALTY**  
37 **SOCIETY REPRESENTATION IN THE LSMS HOUSE OF DELEGATES FOR DISCUSSION**  
38 **AT THE DECEMBER MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.**

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40 **Revising Dues Exempt Membership Category**

41 The board revisited resolution L2 – Transitioning of dues exempt members. However, several questions  
42 still remained surrounding whether or not dues exempt members should count towards delegate  
43 apportionment within the House of Delegates, as well as, whether current dues exempt members should  
44 be grandfathered into any new dues structure. As a result, no action was taken and the item will be  
45 added to the agenda of the December 12, 2018 meeting of the board of governors.

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47 **Delayed until December Meeting**

48 The meeting was running late and several items still remained on the agenda for discussion. Mr.  
49 Williams recommended that this items be tabled and discussed at the December board of governors  
50 meeting. These items included: revising the young physician section; revising the resident and fellow



1 section; revising the medical student section; revising duties and charges of LSMS councils and  
2 committees; and consideration of renaming the LSMS Educational and Research Foundation. The board  
3 took no action and staff will add these items to the agenda of the December 12, 2018 meeting of the  
4 LSMS Board of Governors.

## 5 6 **Reports**

### 7 8 President

9 Dr. Bankston had nothing new to report that was not already discussed during the meeting.

### 10 11 President-Elect

12 Dr. Stevens was not in attendance.

### 13 14 Secretary Treasurer

15 The July 31, 2018 financial statements for the LSMS were noted and filed. The LSMS held assets and  
16 liabilities totaling \$2,413,063; while net income year to date was (\$330,118).

### 17 18 Speaker of the House

19 Dr. Perkowski did not have any additional items to discuss.

### 20 21 Chair, Council on Legislation

22 Dr. Broussard did not have any additional items to discuss.

### 23 24 Board of Councilors

25 Dr. White, Chair of the Board of Councilors, briefly discussed the issues from the earlier BOC meeting,  
26 which occurred during the lunch break. Items discussed included: following up with the Terrebonne  
27 Medical Society, the September membership report, HOD delegate election process and timelines, job  
28 descriptions for councilors and a possible HOD resolution regarding nurse practitioners. Additionally,  
29 the BOC requested that minutes from the board of governors meetings be made available to them within  
30 30 days of the meeting date.

### 31 32 EVP Report

33 Mr. Williams informed the board of Jennifer Marusak's resignation from the LSMS as vice president of  
34 government affairs effective September 28, 2018.

### 35 36 LAMPAC

37 Dr. Bankston shared with the board LAMPAC membership for 2018 and urged all board members who  
38 were not PAC contributors to at least make the minimum \$50 contribution as we needed as many donors  
39 as possible this year in order to maintain big PAC status for 2020. Dr. Bankston further explained that  
40 big PAC status allows us to contribute the maximum campaign contributions to the candidates that  
41 support medicine and the LSMS. Lastly, she made sure everyone understood that you didn't need to be  
42 a physician or a LSMS member to contribute to LAMPAC, all are welcome and accepted.

### 43 44 LSMS Alliance

45 Mrs. Kati Antill was unable to attend the meeting.

### 46 47 Physicians' Foundation

48 Dr. Lawrence Braud, the LSMS representative on the Physicians Foundation provided an oral update on  
49 the recent activities of the Physicians Foundation.

1 **Adjournment**

2 With no additional business to discuss, Dr. Bankston adjourned the meeting at 4:18 PM.

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4 **Attending:**

5 Susan Bankston, MD, President  
6 William “Beau” Clark, MD, Immediate Past President  
7 Katherine Williams, MD, Vice President  
8 Paul Perkowski, MD, Speaker, House of Delegates  
9 Richard Paddock, MD, Secretary-Treasurer  
10 David Broussard, MD, Chair, Council on Legislation  
11 George Ellis, MD, First District Councilor  
12 Robert Chugden, MD, Second District Councilor  
13 Allen Vander, MD Third District Councilor  
14 Frederick J. White, III, MD, Fourth District Councilor  
15 Adrienne Williams, MD, Fifth District Alternate  
16 Gwenn Jackson, MD, Fifth District Councilor  
17 Anthony Blalock, MD, Ninth District Councilor  
18 Nicholas Viviano, MD, Tenth District Councilor  
19 Jeremy Henderson, MD, Tenth District Alternate  
20 Amberly Nunez, Young Physician Section Member  
21 Emily Davis, MD, Resident and Fellow Member  
22 Carl Sabottke, Medical Student Member  
23 Riley Santiago, Medical Student Alternate

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25 **Absent:**

26 Lee Stevens, MD, President-Elect  
27 Steen Trawick, MD, Vice Speaker of the House  
28 Juan Gershanik, MD, First District Alternate  
29 John Wales, MD, Second District Alternate Councilor  
30 Mark Hebert, MD, Third District Alternate  
31 John Carmody, MD, Fourth District Alternate  
32 Reece Newsome, MD, Sixth District Councilor  
33 David Fargason, MD, Sixth District Alternate  
34 Brian Gamborg, MD, Seventh District Councilor  
35 Yoko Broussard, MD, Seventh District Alternate  
36 Lance Templeton, MD, Eighth District Councilor  
37 Rod Clark, MD, Ninth District Alternate  
38 Lynn Tucker, MD, Senior Physician Section Member  
39 Pamela Parra, MD, Senior Physician Section  
40 Alicia Kober, MD, Young Physician Section Alternate  
41 Ezekiel Wetzel, MD, Resident and Fellow Alternate

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43 **Staff Attending:**

44 Jeff Williams, Executive Vice President & Chief Executive Officer  
45 Jennifer Marusak, Vice President of Government Affairs  
46 Lauren Bailey, Vice President of Legal Affairs & General Counsel  
47 Terri Watson, Director of Member Services and Administration  
48 Chris Lebouef, Senior Director of Communication  
49 Elise Tauzin, Communication Manager  
50 Sarah Edwards, Office and Events Manager

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**Guests**

Thomas Weed, MD

Lawrence Braud, MD

**Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Richard Paddock, MD, Secretary-Treasurer**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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