

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS
APRIL 5, 2006**

The Board of Governors met on April 5, 2006 and took the following actions: **(This is a description of the actions taken by the Board of Governors and does not reflect the exact language of motions acted upon at the meetings).**

1. Voted to nominate Dr. Vincent Culotta, Dr. Thomas Nolan and Dr. Donald Parker for consideration of appointment to the Medicaid Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee to fill the vacancy for the obstetrician/gynecologist representative on the Committee.
2. Approved appointing Dr. Keith DeSonier to the LSMS Insurance Committee and to cover his expenses associated with promoting Health Access Louisiana not reimbursed by the Louisiana Recovery Authority.
3. Requested the Insurance Committee present a proposed budget for a possible media campaign to promote Health Access Louisiana.
4. Approved raising the amount of initial grants from the LSMS Physician Hurricane Relief Fund to \$5000 and notify previous recipients they can apply for supplemental grants of \$1500 if needed.
5. Referred to the *Journal* Board the article, *How Consumer Driven Health Plans Will Affect Your Practice* and request it be considered for publication in the *Journal*.
6. Approved sending a letter of appreciation to Dr. Albert Barrocas for his long service as Chair of the LSMS CME Accreditation Committee.
7. Requested the Board of Directors of the LSMS Educational and Research Foundation provide financial assistance to the AMA Region 3 Medical Student Delegate and Alternate Delegate to attend the AMA Annual and Interim Meetings for 2006.
8. Referred the issue of expanding retail health clinics and their use of health care extenders to the Physician/Patient Advocacy Committee and include the information provided by the Shreveport Medical Society.
9. Voted not to endorse a proposed resolution from the Public Relations Committee to seek a Bylaws change at the next LSMS Annual Meeting creating an elected Public Relations Council.
10. Requested the Council on Legislation develop a resolution for the Board's consideration at the June Board meeting on the subject of hospital staff privileges in emergency/disaster situations.
11. Reviewed the 2005 audit of the LSMS as prepared by L.A. Champagne & Co., LLP.

12. Accepted the resignation of Rami Apelian, Medical Student Representative on the Board of Governors on the occasion of his graduation and thanked him for his years of service on the Board.
13. Nominated Dr. Andy Leonard and Dr. Maximo Lamarche to the Governor for consideration of appointment to fill a vacancy of one of the two physician advisors on the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.
14. Nominated Dr. Maximo Lamarche for consideration of appointment by the Governor to the Louisiana State Board of Examiners for Dietetics and Nutrition.
15. Approved noticing the component societies concerning a vacancy for a physician representative on the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Nursing Facility Administrators.
16. Approved the revised peer-to-peer recruiting incentive program developed by the Membership Committee.
17. Received a report from LSBME President, Dr. Kim Edward LeBlanc on some bills of concern in the 2006 Regular Session of the legislature.