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## LOUISIANA COMMISSION FOR THE DEAF Board of Commissioners

## Friday, July 11, 2025 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Louisiana State Capitol Senate Room AB

The state-mandated LCD Board meets quarterly to help guide program efforts and activities related to d/Deaf, DeafBlind and hard of hearing citizens of Louisiana

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## Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Invocation/Silent Prayer
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Roll Call; Introduction of New Member(s)
  - a. Vacancy Announcements
    - i. LCD Board has vacancies for a Deaf and a hard of hearing representative. If interested in learning more or to apply, please visit www.lcd.la.gov
- V. Mandate Review
- VI. Public Comments
- VII. Approval of Agenda
- VIII. Approval of Minutes
- IX. Old Business
  - a. Proposed Rules for American Sign Language Interpreters- Notice of Intent Update
  - b. Strategic Planning
    - i. Report out from State Fiscal Year 21-24
    - ii. Overview for State Fiscal Year 26-28
- X. New Business
  - a. LCD Sub-Committees- to determine creation of; to receive updates
    - i. Interpreter Advisory Committee
    - ii. Board By-Laws Committee
    - iii. Executive Committee
    - iv. Mental Health Workgroup
    - v. DeafBlind Advisory Committee
  - b. Executive Director for LCD- receive program information on leadership structure; review job description
  - c. Vote for Vice Chair

- XI. Public Comment
- XII. Reports from LCD Director
- XIII. Reports from LCD Board Members
- XIV. Announcements
- XV. Adjourn

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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.

<u>Title 67</u> 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.