

# SPRING 2019 MEETING 3

# Old Business

- Amber Brown, Boy Scouts Volunteering Opportunity
- Casey Thomas, Student Government Association Elections
- Martha Cuccia, National Public Health Week



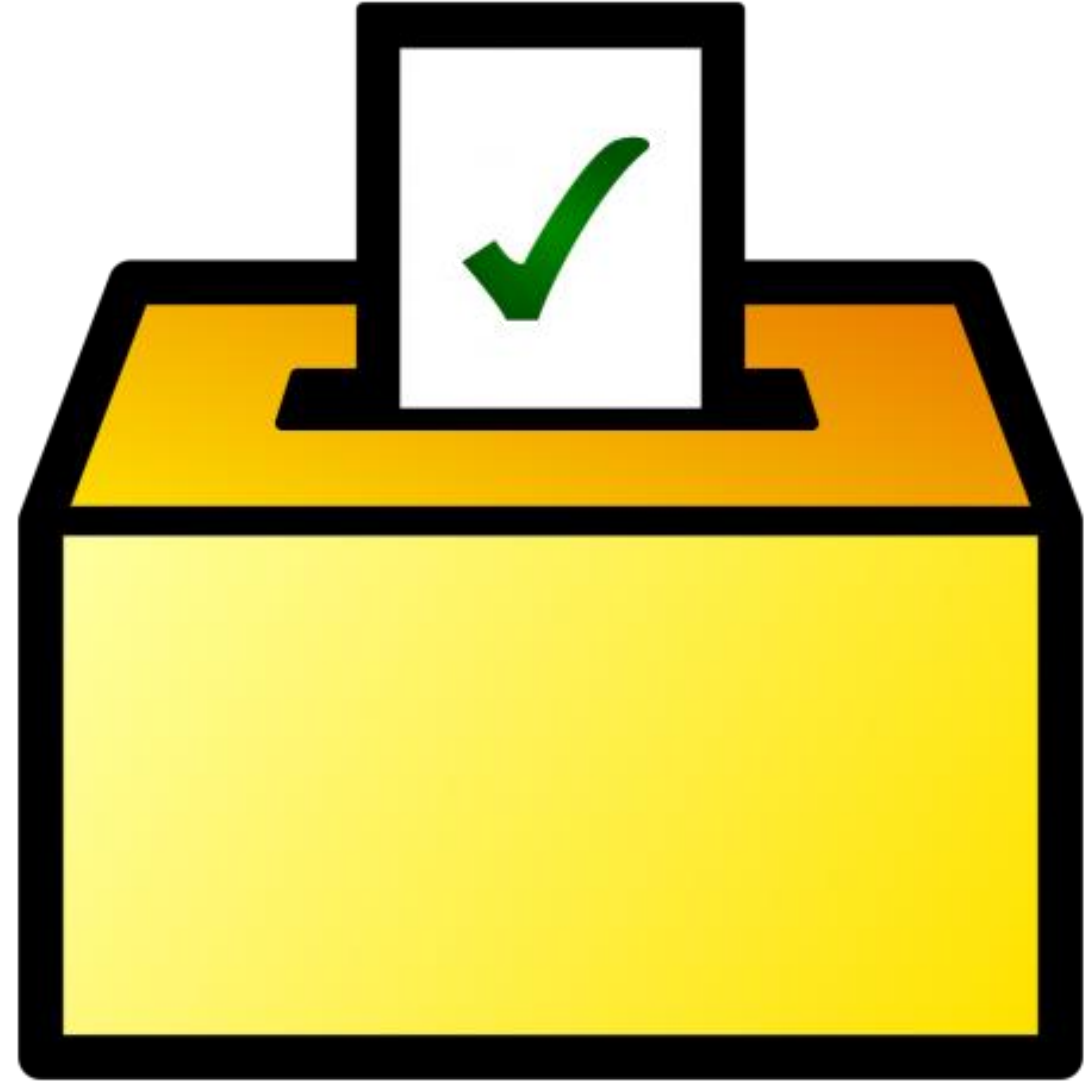
# Public Health Merit Badge Class

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- **Amber Brown**
- **When:** April 6, 2019,  
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
- Planning *committee meetings* are at 12:00 PM in LEC 356
- *Committee Meeting Dates:*
  - March 27
  - April 5
- Students can submit hours for service honor cord

# Election Results

- **Bailey Gentile**, President
- **Amy Desselles**, Executive Vice President
- **Ashley Fenton**, Treasurer
- **Leigh-Ann Williams**, Secretary
- **Elizabeth Yanes**, Vice President of Community Service
- **Pragya Bhattarai**, Vice President of External Affairs
- **Kimberly Garb**, Vice President of Internal Affairs
- **Thanh Nguyen**, Vice President of Professional Development



Monday, April 1, Alumni Day

Tuesday, April 2, Global Health Interest Group

Wednesday, April 3, Delta Omega Honors Day

Thursday, April 4, Doctoral Student Panel

Friday, April 5, SPH Book Club (Maid)

# New Business

- Caroline Gilchrist, IPSA and Evaluation Committee
- Douglas LeBlanc, Louisiana Cancer Prevention & Control Programs (LCP), Smoke-Free Louisiana
- Amy Desselles, LCP, Student Worker Opportunity
- Isha Matta, Student Ambassadors Program
- Ian Walsh, Students for Sustainability, Students vs. Faculty Bead Drive
- Amy Hendrix, IT Steering Committee, Survey Results
- Casey Thomas, Annual Crawfish Boil; Spring PHling; T-Shirt Fundraiser

# IPSA and Evaluation Committee

- **Caroline Gilchrist**
- InterProfessional Student Alliance (IPSA)
  - IPSA was formed by a group of interprofessional students in order to help support the many exceptional, student run community outreach projects across campus. These projects receive technical assistance from IPSA board members and financial support through a grant funded by the Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Medical Honors Society. These projects are all completely student led, have/encourage interprofessional participation, and have had much success bringing IPSA's mission to life within our NOLA community, both on and off campus.
- School of Public Health Evaluation Committee
- [cgilch@lsuhsc.edu](mailto:cgilch@lsuhsc.edu)

# Smoke-Free Louisiana and Healthy Communities

**Douglas M. LeBlanc, Jr., MPH**

Policy & Program Coordinator | Louisiana Cancer Prevention & Control Programs

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# LA Healthy Communities Coalition

- The Louisiana Healthy Communities Coalition (LHCC) is a statewide network dedicated to improving health and reducing disease. We make lasting, healthy changes by providing a forum where communities join together to achieve common goals.
- LHCC is composed of 9 regional health coalitions covering all 64 parishes in Louisiana.
- Its focus areas include: 1) tobacco usage, 2) obesity, and 3) healthy living.



LOUISIANA HEALTHY  
COMMUNITIES COALITION

# Big Tobacco in Louisiana

- In 2006, the Louisiana Legislature passed the Louisiana Clean Air Act which prohibits the use of tobacco products in **most** public spaces.
  - Excludes bars and casinos.
  - Since, roughly 22 municipalities (covering ~21% of the state's population) have adopted more comprehensive smoke-free legislation that prohibits smoking in these areas. (ex: New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Monroe, etc.)
  - For a complete list of these municipalities, visit [this page](#) on the Well-Ahead Louisiana website.



# HCR 76: LA Secondhand Smoke Study

- Resolution passed by the LA House of Representatives in 2018 to form a task group to investigate the health effects of secondhand smoke (SHS) on the general public and within places where smoking is still allowed.
- Composed of 21 health, business, and governmental entities from across the state and region. Have met monthly over the last year to compile data, research and statements on the matter.
- Produced a comprehensive report to the state legislature including recommendations on smoke-free policies.

# HB 38: Tobacco-21 Initiative (2019 Session)

- Introduced by Representative Frank Hoffmann, Chair of the House Health & Welfare Committee.
- Seeks to raise the minimum purchasing age of tobacco from 18 to 21.
- Built upon emerging research that says increasing the purchase age of tobacco will decrease the likelihood of adolescents becoming users.
- Current bill lacks infrastructure that combats preemption, adverse penalties on consumers, and noncompliant businesses.
- Coalition for a Tobacco-Free LA (HCR 76) working with Rep. Hoffman to align bill with best-practices.

# HB 45: Increasing Fines on Illegal Tobacco Sale & Purchase (2019 Session)

- Introduced by Representative Kirk Talbot.
- Raises the current fines for selling or illegally buying tobacco & vapor products by ten fold for each violation (Ex: First Offense \$50 » \$500).
- Currently lacks infrastructure that addresses targeted marketing and enforcement.

# How can you assist?

1. Stay informed on the bill's progression through the legislature.
2. Contact your local representatives and senators, either via phone or email, and tell them about the importance of smoke-free policies. Be sure to share any personal experiences you have as well as how smoking affects your community as a public health professional.
3. Join local groups that are addressing the issue and help raise awareness around the cause.



# We hope to see you there!

- April 1<sup>st</sup> – Final HCR 76 Task Group Meeting at the Capitol
- May 9<sup>th</sup> – ACS CAN/LCP Advocacy Day at the Capitol



## I Can Get Paid To Do Social Media & Get Public Health Experience All At The Same Time ?



**Yes.**

Current and incoming students at the LSU Health New Orleans School of Public Health, are welcome to apply. LCP is looking for a communications student worker who can do:

- \* Social media posting
- \* Content creation
- \* Sundry office duties

*Communications experience preferred (design, photography, film, etc.)*

Send resume to [lricks@lsuhsc.edu](mailto:lricks@lsuhsc.edu)



*LCP is housed at the LSU Health New Orleans School of Public Health, 2nd Floor*

# Student Worker Opportunity

- **Amy Desselles**, Louisiana Cancer Prevention and Control Programs (LCP)
- Resume to Laura Ricks, [lricks@lsuhsc.edu](mailto:lricks@lsuhsc.edu)
- Start Summer 2019



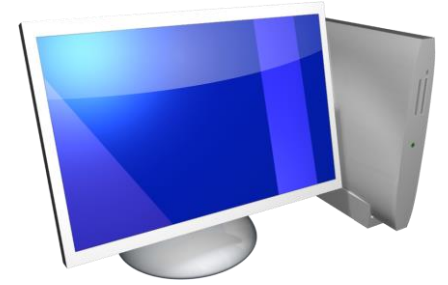
# Student Ambassadors Program

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- **Isha Matta**
- **What:** Student leaders selected to represent and promote our LSU School of Public Health to prospective BSPH, MPH, MS and PhD students. Serve as a peer contact for prospective students during site visits, correspondence and other recruitment events. Ambassadors will give interested students their own perspective on student life in and out of the classroom.
- **Responsibilities:** Attend Open House once monthly for approximately 45 minutes; assist in tours; attend recruitment events; serve as point of contact for prospective students via in-person meetings or via email or phone; promote our school!



# IT Steering Committee Survey Summary



- Amy Hendrix

The survey was completed by 22 out of 126 students with a 17% response rate.

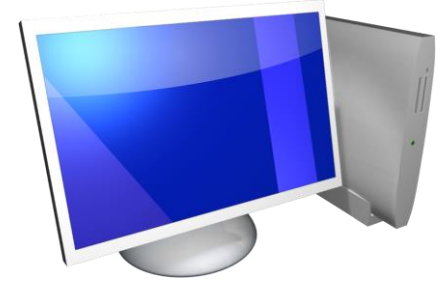
## Survey Questions:

- Do you have an interest in receiving MS Access, SAS, or STAT training (in the form of workshop, certification, etc.)?
- If yes, please rank in order of preference.

**82% of respondents answered yes with SAS training being ranked #1.**

**Committee Response:** If SGA can assist with determining more details about what type of SAS training is needed the committee may be able to assist in facilitating some type of training. Perhaps an in-person peer training or training by faculty experts could be offered. Alternatively, the SAS website offers numerous free online training options.

# IT Steering Committee Survey Summary



- Do you find the online media recordings from your classes useful?
- What do you think would make the online media recordings more helpful to you (i.e. in more classrooms, posted by the instructor)?

**90% of respondents answered yes and provided various comments regarding the media recordings.**

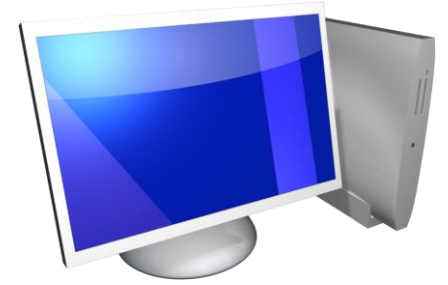
**Committee Response:** The results of this survey questions including the comments will be shared with the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs and the Program Directors so faculty may be aware of the responses and facilitate any changes if needed.

- Are dry erase boards needed in more classrooms?

**73% of students answered yes.**

**Committee Response:** While the survey was in progress, a portable dry erase board was added to 303. Additionally, the School will check the dry erase boards in the other classrooms at the end of the semester to determine if any need to be replaced.

# IT Steering Committee Survey Summary



- Are electrical solutions needed in classrooms to address electrical connections (i.e. plugging in/charging your device)?

**100% of students answered yes.**

**Committee Response:** In future classroom planning, the School will consider desks with charging capabilities. However, at present, the building would require an additional electrical panel and furniture that is still in good condition would need to be replaced. Additionally immovable desks would be needed to have outlets at each desk and the School would lose the flexibility of reconfiguring the tables in 303 for the room to serve multi-purposes. The School has purchased charging stations for the student lounge as an interim solution.

- Would you be in favor of a printing allowance? If yes, how many pages per semester would be sufficient?

**90% of student answered yes with a mean number of copies being 110.**

**Committee Response:** At a rate of .10 per copy, this is a minimal cost of \$10.10 per student. However, there are currently not any options to place money on a pay pal card that can ensure the expense is allocated to only printing costs.

# Students for Sustainability

- Quanita Kendrick, Alaina Beauchamp, & Ian Walsh
- Students vs. Faculty Bead Drive
- **When:** Now until April 5<sup>th</sup>
- **Where:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Reception Area
- **Why:** ArcGNO creates job opportunities for populations with intellectual disabilities by recycling Mardi Gras throws

STUDENTS FOR SUSTAINABILITY

## Students vs. Faculty / Staff Bead Drive

**ArcGNO is an organization that creates wage-earning jobs for individuals with intellectual disabilities by recycling Mardi Gras throws.**

**Donate your left-over Mardi Gras beads to help support ArcGNO recycling efforts.**

March 25<sup>th</sup> • April 5<sup>th</sup>  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Front Desk



# General Announcements

- **Custom Public Health T-Shirts**
  - If you signed up to pay for yours by card, stick around after the meeting!
  - If you haven't signed up to order a shirt yet, the deadline is less than a week away: April 1<sup>st</sup>!
  - Shirts are \$15 and all proceeds go toward development of SGA initiatives and ongoing projects!





# General Announcements

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- **School of Public Health 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Crawfish Boil**
  - When: April 5<sup>th</sup>, 12:30pm to 3pm
  - Where: Dental School grounds
  - Games, food, wine and beer, raffles
- **Spring PHling Event**
  - When: April 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm to 9:30pm
  - Where: Café Reconcile

Open Floor  
Additional Announcements



*As always...* Visit our webpage to learn more:

[sph.lsuhscl.edu/sga](http://sph.lsuhscl.edu/sga)