

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE F
INFORMAL CONFERENCES
February 5, 2021**

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:15 A.M., on February 5, 2021 in Training Room 1, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Monson, Citizen Member- Chairperson
Yvette L. Dorsey, DNP, RN

STAFF PRESENT: Lelia Claire Morris, RN, LNHA, Deputy Executive Director

ADMINISTRATIVE
PROCEEDINGS
STAFF PRESENT: Tammie Jones, Adjudication Specialist
Cynthia Gaines, Adjudication Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT: David Robinson, Adjudication Specialist (observing)

CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED: **Bassey Emah, RN** **0001-214203**
Ms. Emah appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Dr. Dorsey moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:11 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Emah. Additionally, Dr. Dorsey moved that Ms. Morris, Ms. Jones, and Mr. Robinson attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:23A.M.

Dr. Dorsey moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed, or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Dr. Dorsey moved to issue an Order to Dismiss the Case and Impose No Sanction against Bassey Emah due to insufficient evidence of a violation of the laws or regulations governing the practice of nursing. The basis for this decision will be set forth in a final Board Order which will be sent to Ms.

Emah at her address of record. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Ms. Emah, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Emah within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED:

Jennifer Apple, LPN **0002-082255**
Ms. Apple appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Dr. Dorsey moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 11:15 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Apple. Additionally, Dr. Dorsey moved that Ms. Morris, Ms. Jones, and Mr. Robinson attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 11:59 A.M.

Dr. Dorsey moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed, or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Dr. Dorsey moved to issue an Order to require Jennifer Apple to provide proof of compliance of the following three NCSBN courses within 60 days of entry of Order: *“Professional Accountability & Legal Liability for Nurses”*, *“Documentation: A Critical Aspect of Client Care”*, and *“Medication Errors: Causes & Prevention”*. The basis for this decision will be set forth in a final Board Order which will be sent to Ms. Apple at her address of record. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Ms. Apple, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Apple within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED:

Jennifer Denise Brown, LPN **0002-074757**
Ms. Brown did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Dr. Dorsey moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 12:15 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Brown. Additionally, Dr. Dorsey moved that Ms. Morris, Ms. Gaines, and Mr. Robinson attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:59 P.M

Dr. Dorsey moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed, or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Dr. Dorsey moved to issue an Order to place Jennifer Brown on probation with terms for six months employment as a licensed practical nurse. The basis for this decision will be set forth in a final Board Order which will be sent to Ms. Apple at her address of record. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Ms. Brown, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Brown within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

RECESS:

The committee recessed at 1:00 P.M.

RECONVENTION:

The committee reconvened at 1:33 P.M.

CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED:

Vincent Perry, RN **0001-264871**
Mr. Perry did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Dr. Dorsey moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of

Virginia at 1:38 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Perry. Additionally, Dr. Dorsey moved that Ms. Morris, Ms. Gaines, and Mr. Robinson attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:05 P.M

Dr. Dorsey moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed, or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Dr. Dorsey moved to offer Vincent Perry a Consent Order for the indefinite suspension of the right to renew his license to practice professional nursing, in lieu of a Formal Hearing and until such time as he comes before the Board and demonstrates sufficient evidence that he is safe and competent to return to the practice of practical nursing. The basis for this decision will be set forth in a final Board Order which will be sent to Mr. Perry at his address of record. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its finding, conclusion, and terms of consent by both Mr. Perry and the Board.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned at 2:06 P.M.

Claire Morris, RN, LNHA
Deputy Executive Director