## VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE February 2, 2015

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was

convened at 9:00 A.M., on February 2, 2015 in Board Room 4, Suite 201,

Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Trula Minton, M.S., R.N., NEA-BC, Chairperson

Jennifer Phelps, L.P.N. III/QMHPA

Stephanie Quinby, C.M.T., Massage Advisory Board Member

STAFF PRESENT: Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S., Deputy Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Wendy J. Deaner, J.D., Adjudication Specialist

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED: Chana Molini, C.M.T. Applicant

Ms. Molini did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Phelps moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of

Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 9:09 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Molini. Additionally, Ms. Phelps moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Deaner 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 9:13A.M.

Ms. Phelps 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: Ms. Quinby moved to issue an order to deny Chana Molini's application for

certification as a massage therapist in Virginia.

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. Molini unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Molini 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.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Samantha Roberts, C.M.T. 0019-012778

Ms. Roberts did not appear.

**CLOSED MEETING:** 

Ms. Phelps moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 9:16 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Roberts. Additionally, Ms. Phelps moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Deaner 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 9:30 A.M.

Ms. Phelps 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:

Ms. Quinby moved to offer Samantha Robert's a consent order for indefinite suspension of her right to renew her massage certificate.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Robert and the Board.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Patricio Gomez-Foronda, C.M.T. 0019-001882

Mr. Gomez-Foronda appeared, accompanied by his wife and Margaret Hardy, his attorney.

**CLOSED MEETING:** 

Ms. Phelps moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 11:30 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Gomez-Foronda. Additionally, Ms. Phelps moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Deaner 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 11:52 A.M.

Ms. Phelps 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:** 

Ms. Quinby moved to offer Patricio Gomez-Foronda a consent order for revocation of his certificate as a massage therapist in lieu of a formal hearing.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Mr. Gomez-Foronda and the Board

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

## Shannon Shelton, C.M.T. 0019-010635

Ms. Shelton appeared.

**CLOSED MEETING:** 

Ms. Phelps moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 12:54 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Shelton. Additionally, Ms. Phelps moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Deaner 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 1:20 P.M.

Ms. Phelps 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:

Ms. Quinby moved to refer the case of Shannon Shelton to the Board of Nursing or a panel thereof for a Formal Hearing.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Ms. Quinby left the meeting.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

## Kierra Maddox, R.N. Applicant

Ms. Maddox appeared, accompanied by Nathan C. Mortier, her attorney.

**CLOSED MEETING:** 

Ms. Phelps moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:16 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Maddox. Additionally, Ms. Phelps moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Deaner 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 2:24 P.M.

Ms. Phelps 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:** 

Ms. Phelps moved to issue an order to approve Kierra Maddox's application to take the registered nurse examination and issue an unrestricted license.

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. Maddox unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Maddox 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.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Valencia A. Belle, R.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0001-203122 Ms. Bell appeared, accompanied by Colleen M. Quinn, her attorney.

**CLOSED MEETING:** 

Ms. Phelps moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 3:38 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Bell. Additionally, Ms. Phelps moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Deaner 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 3:58 P.M.

Ms. Phelps 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:

Ms. Phelps moved to issue an order to reinstate the license of Valencia Belle to practice as a registered nurse and issue a valid in Virginia only license.

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. Bell unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Bell 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.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Nardos Tesfu, R.N. Applicant

Ms. Tesfu appeared, accompanied by Margaret Hardy, her attorney.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Phelps moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 4:21 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Tesfu. Additionally, Ms. Phelps moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Deaner 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 4:32 P.M.

Ms. Phelps 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:

Ms. Phelps moved to issue an order to approved Nardos Tesfu's application for licensure as a registered nurse in Virginia and issue an unrestricted license and successfully complete registered nursing return to practice course at George Mason within 90days.

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. Tesfu unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Tesfu 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.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Christopher Poindexter, C.N.A. Reinstatement Applicant 1401-115845

Mr. Poindexter did not appear.

**CLOSED MEETING:** 

Ms. Phelps moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 4:38 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision

in the matter of Mr. Poindexter. Additionally, Ms. Phelps moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Deaner 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 5:00 P.M.

Ms. Phelps 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:** 

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Phelps moved to issue an order to deny Christopher Poindexter's petition for reinstatement of his certificate to practice as a certified nurse aide in Virginia.

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 Mr. Poindexter unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Poindexter 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.

The Board adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S. Deputy Executive Director