VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE August 8, 2016

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

convened at 9:00 A.M., on August 8, 2016 in Training Room 2, Suite 201,

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kelly McDonough, D.N.P., R.N., Chairperson

Mark Monson, Citizen Member Stephanie Quinby, C.M.T.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Anne Joseph, J.D., M.P.A., Adjudication Specialist

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED: John Aberg-Riger, C.M.T. 0019-012376

Mr. Aberg-Riger appeared, accompanied by his attorney Jessica F. Phillips.

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Monson 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 10:29 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Aberg-Riger. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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 11:17 A.M.

Mr. Monson 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 John Aberg-Riger a Consent Order for the Indefinite

Suspension of his certificate for not less than 2 years, 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. Aberg-Riger and the Board.

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED: Kelvin Thai, C.M.T. Reinstatement Applicant 0019-012184

Mr. Thai appeared, accompanied by his attorney Nicholas Balland.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Monson 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 12:17 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Thai. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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 12:32 P.M.

Mr. Monson 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 approve Kelvin Thai's application for reinstatement for certification as a massage therapist.

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

Alexis Fennessy, C.M.T. Applicant

Ms. Fennessy appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Monson 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 12:48 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Fennessy. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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 12:58 P.M.

Mr. Monson 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 approve Alexis Fennessy's application for certification as a massage therapist by endorsement contingent upon completion of 24 hours of continuing education.

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

Ms. Quinby left the meeting at 1:00pm.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Rachel Kone, R.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0001-172214

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

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Monson 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 1:30 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Kone. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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 1:40 P.M.

Mr. Monson 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:

Mr. Monson moved to issue an order to approve Rachel Kone's application for reinstatement for licensure as a registered nurse and place Rachel Kone on Probation with terms for 1 years employment as a registered nurse.

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

Peggy Crawford, C.N.A. Reinstatement Applicant 1401-052658

Ms. Crawford appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Monson 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 2:46 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Crawford. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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 2:55 P.M.

Mr. Monson 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:

Mr. Monson moved to issue an Order to approve Peggy Crawford's application for reinstatement for certification as a nurse aide.

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

Virginia Lockett, R.N. Applicant

Ms. Lockett appeared, accompanied by her attorney Janet Ours.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Monson 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 3:32 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Lockett. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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 3:38 P.M.

Mr. Monson 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:

Mr. Monson moved to issue an order to deny Virginia Lockett's application for licensure as a registered nurse by endorsement.

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

Anne Heaton Stevens, R.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0001-142751

Ms. Stevens appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Monson 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 4:06 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Stevens. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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 4:16 P.M.

Mr. Monson 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:

Mr. Monson moved to issue an order to approve Anne Heaton Stevens' application for reinstatement for licensure as a registered nurse and place Anne Stevens on Indefinite Probation with terms for 1 years employment as a registered nurse.

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

Kristin Settle, C.N.A. Applicant

Ms. Settle appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Monson 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 4:36 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Settle. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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 4:42 P.M.

Mr. Monson 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:

Mr. Monson moved to issue an order to approve Kristin Settle's application for certification as a nurse aide.

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

Eskinder Fanta, L.P.N. Applicant and R.N. Applicant

Ms. Fanta did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Monson 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 4:46 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Fanta. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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 4:53 P.M.

Mr. Monson 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:

Mr. Monson moved to issue an order to approve Eskinder Fanta's application to take the registered nurse exam for licensure as a registered nurse and issue an order to deny his application for licensure as a practical nurse by endorsement.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 4:55 P.M.

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