

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
August 8, 2018**

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, 2018 in Board Room 2, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marie Gerardo, MS, RN, ANP-BC, Chairperson
Ann Tucker Gleason, PhD, Citizen Member

STAFF PRESENT: Jane Elliott, PhD, RN, Discipline Staff

OTHERS PRESENT: Tammie Jones, Adjudication Specialist

**CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:** **Maria Melchor 0001-155579**
Ms. Melchor did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING: Dr. Gleason 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 9:05 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Melchor. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Jones 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 9:20 A.M.

Dr. Gleason 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. Gleason moved to issue an Order to of Reprimand to Maria Melchor.
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. Melchor unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Melchor 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:**

Wendy Waugh, LPN 0002-060074
Ms. Waugh appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Dr. Gleason 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 9:22 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Waugh. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Jones 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 10:50 A.M.

Dr. Gleason 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. Gleason moved to issue an Order to Approve Wendy Waugh's application for reinstatement contingent upon successful completion of a board approved refresher course.

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

Pamela Patton, RN Applicant

Ms. Patton appeared accompanied by her attorney Eileen Talamante, Esquire.
Others present: Nora Ciancio, Esquire.

CLOSED MEETING:

Dr. Gleason 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 1:03 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Patton. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Jones 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.

Nora Ciancio left the meeting at 2:33 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:34 P.M.

Dr. Gleason 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. Gleason moved to issue an Order to Approve Pamela Patton's application for licensure 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. Patton unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Patton 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:**

Tammie Bentley, LPN 0002-088303
Ms. Bentley appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Dr. Gleason 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 3:04 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Bentley. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Jones 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 3:17 P.M.

Dr. Gleason 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. Gleason moved to issue an Order to of Reprimand to Tammie Bentley and require she provide proof of completion of the following course within 90 days of entry of Order: "*Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing*".
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. Bentley unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Bentley 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 3:30 P.M.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Elliott", written over a horizontal line.

Jane Elliott, PhD, RN
Discipline Staff