VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING FORMAL HEARINGS September 16, 2019

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Virginia Board of Nursing was called to order at 9:17 A.M.,

on September 16, 2019 in Board Room 2, Department of Health Professions,

9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jennifer Phelps, BS, LPN, QMHPA, CSA First Vice President Marie Gerardo, MS, RN, ANP-BC, Second Vice President

Margaret Friedenberg, Citizen Member Tucker Gleason, PhD, Citizen Member

James Hermansen-Parker, MSN, RN, PCCN-K

Felisa Smith, RN, MSA, MSN/Ed, CNE

STAFF PRESENT: Robin Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP, Deputy Executive Director

Charlette Ridout, RN, MS, CNE, Deputy Executive Director

Darlene Graham, Senior Discipline Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT: Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel

Senior Nursing Students from Bon Secours Memorial College PN Students from St. Mary's School of Practical Nursing

ESTABLISHMENT OF A PANEL:

With six members of the Board present, a panel was established.

FORMAL HEARINGS: Sara L. Berry, LPN 0002-082054

Ms. Berry did not appear.

Cynthia Gaines, Adjudication Specialist, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Marie Whisenand, court reporter with Formsworth & Taylor Paperting LLC, recorded the

reporter with Farnsworth & Taylor Reporting LLC, recorded the

proceedings.

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed

meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 9:25 A.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Berry. Additionally, Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Ridout, Ms. Graham, and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded

and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 9:36 A.M.

Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that 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. Gerardo moved that the Board of Nursing indefinitely suspend the

license of Sara L. Berry to practice practical nursing in the

Commonwealth of Virginia until she can appear before the Board and prove that she is competent to practice. The motion was seconded and

carried unanimously.

This decision shall be effective upon entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusion, and decision of this formal hearing panel.

FORMAL HEARINGS: Carolyn Chernutan, LPN NC License # 083758 with Multistate

Privilege

Ms. Chernutan did not appear. Richard Hawkins, Ms. Chernutan's legal

counsel, appeared and requested a continuance on behalf of Ms.

Chernutan.

The Board granted the continuance as requested by Mr. Hawkins.

RECESS: The Board recessed at 9:44 A.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 10:03 A.M.

FORMAL HEARINGS: Jasmine Sexton, CNA Applicant

Ms. Sexton did not appear.

Tammie Jones, Adjudication Specialist, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Marie Whisenand, court

reporter with Farnsworth & Taylor Reporting LLC, recorded the

proceedings.

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed

meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 10:10 A.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Sexton. Additionally, Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that Dr. Hills,

Ms. Graham, and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Board reconvened in open session at 10:17 A.M.

Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that 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. Gerardo moved that the Board of Nursing reprimand Jasmine Sexton and approve her application for certification contingent upon successful completion of the NNAAP exam. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This decision shall be effective upon entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusion, and decision of this formal hearing panel.

RECESS: The Board recessed at 10:20 A.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 11:08 A.M.

FORMAL HEARINGS: Marthia Mae Johnson, RMA 0031-007583

Ms. Johnson appeared.

Holly Walker, Adjudication Specialist, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Marie Whisenand, court reporter with Farnsworth & Taylor Reporting LLC, recorded the proceedings.

Marcella Luna, Senior Investigator, Department of Health Professions, and Nichole Overfield, LPN, former Resident Care Coordinator at Magnolias of Chesterfield, were present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 12:33 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Johnson. Additionally, Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Ridout, Ms. Graham, and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting

because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Board reconvened in open session at 1:04 P.M.

Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that 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. Gerardo moved that the Board of Nursing reprimand Marthia Mae Johnson and require her successful completion of refresher continued education courses specific to documentation and medication administration within 90 days from the entry of the Order. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This decision shall be effective upon entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusion, and decision of this formal hearing panel.

Senior Nursing Students from Bon Secours Memorial College left the meeting.

RECESS: The Board recessed at 1:06 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 1:54 P.M.

FORMAL HEARINGS: Charlene Byrum Warren, RN 0001-191394

Ms. Warren appeared and was accompanied by Darryl Warren, her husband.

David Kazzie, Adjudication Specialist, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Marie Whisenand, court reporter with Farnsworth & Taylor Reporting LLC, recorded the proceedings.

Darryl Warren was present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed

meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at

3:24 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Warren. Additionally, Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that Ms. Ridout, Ms. Graham, and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Board reconvened in open session at 3:48 P.M.

Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that 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. Gerardo moved that the Board of Nursing dismiss the case. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This decision shall be effective upon entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusion, and decision of this formal hearing panel.

PN Students from St. Mary's School of Practical Nursing left the meeting at 4:00 P.M.

FORMAL HEARINGS:

Tiffany Green, RN Reinstatement 0001-283230

Ms. Green appeared.

Tammie Jones, Adjudication Specialist, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Marie Whisenand, court reporter with Farnsworth & Taylor Reporting LLC, recorded the proceedings.

Gayle Miller, Senior Investigator, Department of Health Professions, was present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 4:13 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Green. Additionally, Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Ridout, Ms. Graham, and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their

presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded

and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 4:28 P.M.

Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that 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 that the Board of Nursing reinstate the license of

Tiffany Green to practice professional nursing license in the

Commonwealth of Virginia. The motion was seconded and carried

unanimously.

This decision shall be effective upon entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusion, and decision of this formal hearing panel.

FORMAL HEARINGS: Diane A. Elam, RN Reinstatement 0001-284399

Ms. Elam did not appear.

Cynthia Gaines, Adjudication Specialist, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Marie Whisenand, court reporter with Farnsworth & Taylor Reporting LLC, recorded the proceedings.

Gayle Miller, Senior Investigator, Department of Health Professions, was

present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed

meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 4:44 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Elam. Additionally, Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Ridout, Ms. Graham, and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their

presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded

and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 5:14 P.M.

Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that 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. Gerardo moved that the Board of Nursing reinstate the license of Diane A. Elam to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This decision shall be effective upon entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusion, and decision of this formal hearing panel.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 5:15 P.M.

Robin Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP Deputy Executive Director