

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
February 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 February 8, 2018 in Board Room 3, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marie Gerardo, MS, RN, ANP-BC, Chairperson
Alice Clark, Citizen Member

STAFF PRESENT: Brenda Krohn, RN, MS, Deputy Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Anne Joseph, JD, MPA, Deputy Director, Administrative Proceedings Division

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED: **Dawn W. Sexton, LPN Reinstatement Applicant 0002-066867**
Ms. Sexton appeared, accompanied by her partner.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Clark 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 9:32 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Sexton. Additionally, Ms. Clark 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 9:49 A.M.

Ms. Clark 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. Clark moved to issue an order to approve Dawn Sexton's application for reinstatement for licensure as a practical nurse and issue an unrestricted license and successfully complete a board approved refresher course prior to practicing as a licensed practical 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. Sexton unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Sexton 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:

Alma Sams-Andersen, CNA Applicant by Endorsement

Ms. Sams-Andersen did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Clark 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 10:01 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Sams-Andersen. Additionally, Ms. Clark 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 10:05 A.M.

Ms. Clark 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. Clark moved to issue an order to deny Alma Sams-Andersen's application for certification as a nurse aide 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. Sams-Andersen unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Sams-Andersen 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:

Beverly Kerley, RMA Applicant by Examination

Ms. Kerley did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Clark 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 10:31 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Kerley. Additionally, Ms. Clark 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 10:38 A.M.

Ms. Clark 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. Clark moved to issue an order to deny Beverly Kerley's application to take the medication aide examination.

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. Kerley unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Kerley 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 Committee took a break at 10:40 A.M. and reconvened at 1:00 P.M.

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED:

Jennifer D. Brown, LPN Reinstatement Applicant 0002-041296

Ms. Brown appeared, accompanied by Wendy Miller, a friend.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Clark 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 1:39 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Brown. Additionally, Ms. Clark 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 2:00 P.M.

Ms. Clark 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. Clark moved to issue an order to approve Jennifer Brown's application for reinstatement contingent upon verification of Ms. Brown's entry into the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program and thereafter remaining in compliance with the terms of the monitoring contract with the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program and successful completion of a Board approved refresher course prior to practice.

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.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Sharon Alls, RN Reinstatement Applicant 0001-193817

Ms. Alls appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Clark 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 2:24 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Alls. Additionally, Ms. Clark 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 2:33 P.M.

Ms. Clark 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. Clark moved to issue an order to approve Sharon Alls' application for reinstatement contingent upon remaining in compliance with the terms of the monitoring contract with the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program.

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

Tara Crews Lacks, LPN Reinstatement Applicant 0002-056820

Ms. Lacks appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Clark 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 2:57 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Lacks. Additionally, Ms. Clark 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 3:10 P.M.

Ms. Clark 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. Clark moved to issue an order to approve Tara Crews Lacks' application for reinstatement contingent upon verification of Ms. Lacks' entry into the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program and thereafter remaining in compliance with the terms of the monitoring contract with the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program and successful completion of a Board approved refresher course prior to practice.

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

Sharonda Jackson, CNA Reinstatement Applicant 1401-106132

Ms. Jackson appeared, accompanied by her sister.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Clark 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 3:39 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Jackson. Additionally, Ms. Clark 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 4:15 P.M.

Ms. Clark 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. Clark moved to issue an order to deny Sharonda Jackson'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. Jackson unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is

received from Ms. Jackson 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 4:20 P.M.

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