

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING  
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
December 3, 2012**

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:00 A.M., on December 3, 2012 in Board Room 1, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Patricia Lane, RN, BSN, MBA; Chairperson  
Florence Jones-Clark, RN, MS

STAFF PRESENT: Gloria D. Mitchell, RN, MSN, MBA; Deputy Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Cynthia E. Gaines, Adjudication Specialist

From 9:00 A.M. to 1:05 P.M.: Park View High School: 22 CNA students;  
Instructor, Patricia Urda

CONFERENCES  
SCHEDULED:

**Barbara Obolewicz, RN 0001-113797**  
Ms. Obolewicz appeared, accompanied by her husband, John Obolewicz.

CLOSED MEETING: Florence Jones-Clark moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(28) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:03 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Obolewicz. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clark moved that Ms. Mitchell and Ms. Gaines 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 10:09 A.M.

Ms. Jones-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. Jones-Clark moved to close the case in the matter of Barbara Obolewicz, RN and impose no sanction due to insufficient evidence to warrant disciplinary action by the Board of Nursing. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

CONFERENCES  
SCHEDULED:

**Victoria Hamshar, RN 0001-213374**  
Ms. Hamshar appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Jones-Clark moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(28) of the

*Code of Virginia* at 10:52 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Hamshar. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clark moved that Ms. Mitchell and Ms. Gaines 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 11:03 A.M.

Ms. Jones-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. Jones-Clark moved to offer Ms. Hamshar a Consent Order for indefinite suspension of her license to practice as a professional nurse in Virginia, with said suspension stayed contingent upon verification of Ms. Hamshar's entering into and remaining in compliance with the terms of a recovery monitoring contract with the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program. 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. Hamshar and the Board.

CONFERENCES  
SCHEDULED:

**Shannon Fiorella Miller, RN 0001-229047**

Ms. Miller appeared, accompanied by her husband, Justin Miller, her mother-in-law, Karen Miller, and her father-in-law, Robert Miller.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Jones-Clark moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(28) of the *Code of Virginia* at 12:27 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Miller. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clark moved that Ms. Mitchell and Ms. Gaines 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 1:02 P.M.

Ms. Jones-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. Jones-Clark moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Ms. Miller and further order Ms. Miller be placed on probation for (1) year of employment as a

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

**Deanna Cole, RN 0001-233667**

Ms. Cole did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Jones-Clark moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(28) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:05 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Cole. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clark moved that Ms. Mitchell and Ms. Gaines 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 1:10 P.M.

Ms. Jones-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. Jones-Clark moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Ms. Cole. 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. Cole unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Cole 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:

**Joni Drinkard, RN 0001-137894**

Ms. Drinkard appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Jones-Clark moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(28) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:41 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Drinkard. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clark moved that Ms.

RECONVENTION: Mitchell and Ms. Gaines 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. The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:59 P.M.

Ms. Jones-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. Jones-Clark moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Ms. Drinkard and further order Ms. Drinkard to obtain mental health, chemical dependency, and physical exam evaluations by a Board approved practitioner within ninety (90) days of entry of the order. 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. Drinkard unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Drinkard 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:

**Alicia Patwell, RN 0001-236696**

Ms. Patwell appeared, accompanied by her attorney, Ramon Rodriguez, her husband, Jason Patwell, and her mother, Tonya Williams.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Jones-Clark moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(28) of the *Code of Virginia* at 4:00 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Patwell. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clark moved that Ms. Mitchell and Ms. Gaines 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 5:05 P.M.

Ms. Jones-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. Jones-Clark moved to close the case in the matter of Alicia Patwell, RN and impose no sanction due to insufficient evidence of a violation of the Nurse

Practice Act or the Board of Nursing Regulations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

CONFERENCES  
SCHEDULED:

**Ruth Nash, RN 0001-153758**

Ms. Nash appeared, accompanied by her former coworkers, Jennifer Helms, RN and Kenneth Anderson, RN.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Jones-Clark moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(28) of the *Code of Virginia* at 5:15 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Nash. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clark moved that Ms. Mitchell and Ms. Gaines 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 5:21 P.M.

Ms. Jones-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. Jones-Clark moved to close the case in the matter of Ruth Nash, RN and impose no sanction due to insufficient evidence to warrant disciplinary action by the Board of Nursing. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

CONFERENCES  
SCHEDULED:

**Crystal Painter, RN 0001-186527**

Ms. Painter did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Jones-Clark moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(28) of the *Code of Virginia* at 5:25 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Painter. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clark moved that Ms. Mitchell and Ms. Gaines 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 5:30 P.M.

Ms. Jones-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.

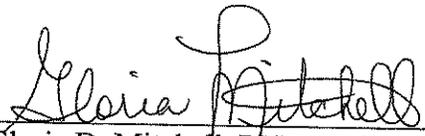
**ACTION:**

Ms. Jones-Clark moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Ms. Painter. 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. Painter unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Painter 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 5:30 P.M.

  
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Gloria D. Mitchell, RN, MSN, MBA  
Deputy Executive Director