

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
EDUCATION INFORMAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
AMENDED MINUTES
July 12, 2017**

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Education Informal Conference Committee was convened at 9:02 a.m. in Suite 201, Department of Health Professions 9960 Mayland Drive, Second Floor, Board Room 2, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joyce A. Hahn, Ph.D., RN, NEA-BC, FNAP, Chair
Louise Hershkowitz, CRNA, MSHA

STAFF PRESENT: Paula B. Saxby, RN, Ph.D., Deputy Executive Director
Jodi P. Power, RN, JD, Deputy Executive Director
Charlette Ridout, RN, MS, CNE, Senior Nursing Education Consultant,
Anne Joseph, Deputy Director, Administrative Proceedings Division
Nichole Clements, Administrative Assistant

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

REGISTERED NURSING, PRACTICAL NURSING, AND NURSE AIDE EDUCATION PROGRAMS

**Piedmont Virginia Community College, Charlottesville, PN program,
US28203800**

Dr. Ann Smith, Program Director, was in attendance.

At: 9:37 a.m. Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711 (A) (27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Piedmont Virginia Community College, Charlottesville. Additionally, she moved that Dr. Saxby, Ms. Power, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Ridout, and Ms. Clements attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was 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 10:15 a.m.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee 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.

Action: Recommend to continue the Practical Nursing Education

Program at Piedmont Virginia Community College on conditional approval with terms and conditions as specified in the attached recommendation.

South University, Virginia Beach, BSN program, US28500800

Dr. Wendy Unison-Pace, Program Director, and Dr. Sarah Wills, Assistant Dean of Nursing and Public Health for South University, were in attendance. They were represented by Eric Page, Esquire. Dr. Devin Byrd, Vice Chancellor for South University, and Scot Haynes, Virginia Beach Campus President, were also in attendance.

At: 12:11 p.m. Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711 (A) (27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of South University, Virginia Beach. Additionally, she moved that Dr. Saxby, Ms. Power, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Ridout, and Ms. Clements attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was 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 12:59 p.m.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee 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.

Action: A recommendation was made by the committee and subsequently rescinded. The informal conference regarding this program will be rescheduled at a later date to be determined.

Public Comment: Dr. Debi Erick, Nursing Program Director for Bryant & Stratton University thanked the Board for their work and allowing them to attend the Informal Conference in the audience.

First Nursing Academy Nurse Aide Education Program, Program Code 100740, Fairfax/Burke

Mohamed Ali Awl was in attendance. He was represented by Margaret Hardy, Esquire.

At 3:20 p.m. Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711

(A) (27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of First Nursing Academy, Nurse Aide Education program, Fairfax/Burke. Additionally, she moved that Dr. Saxby, Ms. Power, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Ridout, and Ms. Clements attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was 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 3:47 p.m.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee 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.

Action: Recommend to withdraw approval of First Nursing Academy to operate a Nurse Aide Education Program with terms and conditions as specified in the attached recommendation.

First Nursing Academy Medication Aide Training Program, Fairfax/Burke

Mohamed Ali Awl was in attendance. He was represented by Margaret Hardy, Esquire.

At 5:15 p.m. Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711 (A) (27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of First Nursing Academy, Medication Aide training program, Fairfax/Burke. Additionally, she moved that Dr. Saxby, Ms. Power, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Ridout, and Ms. Clements attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was 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 5:39 p.m.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee 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.

Action: Recommend to withdraw approval of First Nursing Academy to operate a Medication Aide Training Program with terms and conditions as specified in the attached recommendation.

Continued Faculty Exceptions

Fairfax County Public Schools, PN program, US28108600
Averett University BSN program, US28501100
Jefferson College, BSN program, US28507000

Action: Recommend to approve the continued faculty exceptions.

Closed session to consider disposition of matters related to education programs.

At 5:40p.m. Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711 (A) (27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the disposition of matters related to education programs. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Power and Ms. Ridout attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The Committee reconvened in open session at 5:49 p.m.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee 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.

Action: Recommend granting release from the terms of the Orders and returning one program to full approval.

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

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