UNAPPROVED

VIRGINIA BOARD OF FUNERAL DIRECTORS & EMBALMERS
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES

August 20, 2014

Department of Health Professions
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite #300
Henrico, Virginia 23233

CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 1:11 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Bob Oman, FSL, Chair
Chris Vincent, FSL

DHP STAFF PRESENT:
Lynne Helmick, Deputy Executive Director
Kathy Petersen, Discipline Operations Manager
Amanda Blount, Adjudication Specialist, APD

MATTER:
George E. Penn, FSL
License # 0502-840027
Case # 152211

DISCUSSION: Mr. Penn did not appear before the Committee in accordance with the Notice of the Board dated July 22, 2014. Mr. Penn was not present and was not represented by counsel.

The Committee fully discussed the allegations as referenced in the July 22, 2014, Notice of Informal Conference.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Mr. Vincent, and duly seconded by Mr. Oman, the Committee voted to 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 George E. Penn, FSL. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Helmick, Ms. Petersen, and Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its discussions. The Committee entered into closed session at 1:16 p.m.

RECONVENE: Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee re-convened in open session at 1:33 p.m.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Mr. Vincent and duly seconded by Mr. Oman, the Committee moved to refer this matter to a Formal Hearing with the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers. The Committee also moved to offer a Consent Order for indefinite suspension for no less than two years, in lieu of a Formal Hearing. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: The Committee adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

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Bob Oman, FSL, Chair	Lisa R. Hahn, Executive Director
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