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VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
INFORMAL CONFERENCES
December 8, 2015

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:00 A.M., on December 8, 2015 in Training Room 2, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Louise Hershkowitz, CRNA, MSHA, Chairperson
Mark Monson, Citizen Member

STAFF PRESENT: Gloria Mitchell-Lively, RN, MSN, MBA, Deputy Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: David Kazzie, Adjudication Specialist

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Andrew Gorski, R.N. 0001-234410
Mr. Gorski appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Monson, 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 10:09 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Gorski. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Mitchell-Lively and Mr. Kazzie 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 10:35 A.M.

Mr. Monson 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: Mr. Monson moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Mr. Gorski, and offer a Consent Order for indefinite suspension of his right to renew license until such time, in lieu of a formal hearing. 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 Mr. Gorski and the Board.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Rosalee Longshore, R.N. 0001-213250
Ms. Longshore appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Monson, 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 11:16 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Longshore. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Mitchell-Lively and Mr. Kazzie 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 11:26 A.M.

Mr. Monson 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: Mr. Monson moved to close the case and impose no sanction due to insufficient evidence of a violation of the Nurse Practice Act or Board of Nursing Regulations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Jolee Crawford, R.N. 0001- 119804
Ms. Crawford appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Monson, 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 1:26 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Crawford. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Mitchell-Lively and Mr. Kazzie 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 1:42 P.M.

Mr. Monson 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: Mr. Monson moved to issue an Order to take no action at this time, contingent upon Ms. Crawford remaining in compliance with the terms of the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program (HPMP). The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order 30 days after service of such Order on Ms. Crawford, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Crawford 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:

Karrie Hancock, R.N., MD License No: R216395 with Multistate Privilege
Ms. Hancock appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Monson, 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 2:12 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Hancock. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Mitchell-Lively and Mr. Kazzie 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 2:24 P.M.

Mr. Monson 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:

Mr. Monson moved to close the case and impose no sanction due to insufficient evidence of a violation of the Nurse Practice Act or Board of Nursing Regulations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Walter Echols, R.N. 0001-119880
Mr. Echols appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Monson, 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 3:43 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Echols. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Ms. Mitchell-Lively and Mr. Kazzie 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 4:35 P.M.

Mr. Monson 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: Mr. Monson moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Mr. Echols and require he provide proof of completing within 60 days of entry of Order, the following two NCSBN online courses: *"Documentation: A Critical Aspect of Client Care"*, and *"Professional Accountability & Legal Liability for Nurses"*. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order 30 days after service of such Order on Mr. Echols unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Echols 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 4:45 P.M.**

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Gloria Mitchell-Lively, RN, MSN, MBA
Deputy Executive Director