VIRGINIA BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
INFORMAL CONFERENCE – October 28, 2016
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Social Work ("Board") convened on October 28, 2016 at 10:08 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia, Training Room 2.

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Salay, LCSW, Chairperson
Dolores Paulson, Ph.D., LCSW

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director
Emily Tatum, Adjudication Specialist

RESPONDENT: Kathleen Hooper, LCSW
License No.: 0904-001615
Case No.: 160900

Witness: Reginald Haynes, Jr., LCSW

DISCUSSION: Ms. Hooper appeared in person before the Committee, without legal counsel, and fully discussed the allegations contained in the Notice dated September 29, 2016.

CLOSED MEETING: Upon a motion by Dr. Paulson, and duly seconded by Mr. Salay, the Committee voted to convene in 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 Kathleen Hooper, LCSW. Additionally, she moved that Jennifer Lang and Emily Tatum attend the closed meeting because their presence would aid the Committee in its deliberations.

RECONVENE: Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of § 2.2-3712 of the *Code of Virginia*, the Committee reconvened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Dr. Paulson, and duly seconded by Mr. Salay, the Committee made certain findings of facts and conclusions of law and voted to approve Ms. Hooper's petition to terminate the terms and conditions previously placed on her license allow her to return to unrestricted practice. The motion carried.

ADJOURN: With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on the respondent, unless the respondent makes a written request to the Board within such time for a formal hearing on the allegations made. If service of the Order is made by mail, three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.

J. Salay
John Salay, LCSW, Chairperson

10-28-16
Date

Jennifer L. Lang
Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director
Virginia Board of Social Work

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