VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
FORMAL HEARINGS
March 23, 2015

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Virginia Board of Nursing was called to order at 9:00 A.M. on March 23, 2015 in Board Room 2, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico Virginia.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
William Traynham, LPN, CSAC; Vice President
Guia Caliwagan, RN, MAN
Louise Hershkowitz, CRNA, MSHA
Jeanne Holmes, Citizen Member
Jane Ingalls, RN, PhD
Mark D. Monson, Citizen Member
Kristina Wright, CMT Advisory Board Member (joined later)

STAFF PRESENT: Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE; Executive Director
Brenda Krohn, RN, MS; Deputy Executive Director
Amy Davis, Executive Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT: Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General
Nursing students from Germanna Community College; Chesterfield Technical Center; Blue Ridge Community College; and one nursing student from James Madison University

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM:
With six members of the Board present, a panel was established.

FORMAL HEARINGS: **Amanda Adams, RN 0001-204855**
Ms. Adams appeared, accompanied by John Smith.

Wendy Deaner, Adjudication Specialist represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Juan Ortega, court reporter with Crane Snead Reporting, recorded the proceedings.

Lane Raker, Senior Investigator, Department of Health Professions; Jeannine Simon, RN, ICU Nursing Manager, Chesapeake Regional Medical Center; John Smith, RN, former co-worker of Ms. Adams were present and testified.

RECESS: The Board recessed at 11:17 A.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 11:26 A.M.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 11:34 A.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Adams.

Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Krohn, Ms. Davis and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 11:56 A.M.

Ms. Caliwagan moved that 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.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Board of Nursing accept the findings of fact and conclusions of law as presented by Ms. Deaner and amended by the Board.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Holmes moved that the Board of Nursing issue an order to reprimand Amanda Adams and to indefinitely suspend her license to practice as a registered nurse, but stay the suspension contingent upon her entry into and remaining in compliance with the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This decision shall be effective upon the entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusions, and decision of this formal hearing panel.

RECESS: The Board recessed at 12:01 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 12:08 P.M.

Ms. Wright joined the meeting.

FORMAL HEARINGS: **Samantha Roberts, CMT 0019-012778**
Ms. Roberts did not appear.

Wendy Deaner, Adjudication Specialist, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Juan Ortega, court reporter with Crane Snead Reporting, recorded the proceedings.

Lane Raker, Senior Investigator, Department of Health Professions; and Rebekah Lawrence, CMT, owner of Balance Therapeutic Massage were present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 12:43 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Roberts. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Davis and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is

deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 12:54 P.M.

Ms. Caliwagan moved that 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.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Board of Nursing accept the findings of fact and conclusions of law as presented by Ms. Deaner and amended by the Board. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Mr. Monson moved that the Board of Nursing revoke the massage therapy certification of Samantha Roberts. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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Ms. Wright left the meeting.

RECESS: The Board recessed at 12:56 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 1:41 P.M.

FORMAL HEARINGS: **Linda Keen, RN 0001-215485**
Ms. Keen appeared.

Amy Weiss, Adjudication Specialist, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Juan Ortega, court reporter with Crane Snead Reporting, recorded the proceedings.

Jennifer Challis, Senior Investigator, Department of Health Professions; and Kimberly Myrick, Substance Abuse Case Manager, Health Practitioners Monitoring Program were present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:37 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Keen. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Krohn, Ms. Davis and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 2:53 P.M.

Ms. Caliwagan moved that 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.

Ms. Holmes moved that the Board of Nursing accept the findings of fact and conclusions of law as presented by Ms. Weiss and amended by the Board. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Dr. Ingalls moved that the Board of Nursing issue an order of reprimand and indefinitely suspend the license of Linda Keen to practice as a registered nurse for a period of not less than one year. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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RECESS: The Board recessed at 2:56 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 3:12 P.M

FORMAL HEARINGS: **Naomi K. Long, RN 0001-138123**
Ms. Long appeared.

Tammie Jones, Adjudication Specialist, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Juan Ortega, court reporter with Crane Snead Reporting, recorded the proceedings.

Wendy Morris, Senior Investigator, Department of Health Professions was present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 3:52 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Long. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Krohn, Ms. Davis and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 4:05 P.M.

Ms. Caliwagan moved that 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.

Mr. Monson moved that the Board of Nursing accept the findings of fact and conclusions of law as presented by Ms. Jones and amended by the Board. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Dr. Ingalls moved that the Board of Nursing indefinitely suspend the license of Naomi Long to practice as a registered nurse for a period of not less than two years. The motion was seconded and carried. Ms. Holmes, Ms. Caliwagan, Mr. Traynham, Dr. Ingalls, and Mr. Monson were in favor of the motion. Ms. Hershkowitz opposed the motion.

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FORMAL HEARINGS: **Chrisha R. Watson, LPN 0002-075875**
Ms. Watson appeared.

Tammie Jones, Adjudication Specialist, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Juan Ortega, court reporter with Crane Snead Reporting, recorded the proceedings.

John Turner, Senior Investigator, Department of Health Professions; and Carisa Samboy, RN, Director of Nursing, Norfolk City Jail were present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 4:50 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Watson. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Krohn, Ms. Davis and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 4:59 P.M.

Ms. Caliwagan moved that 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.

Mr. Monson that the Board of Nursing accept the findings of fact and conclusions of law as presented by Ms. Jones and amended by the Board. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Dr. Ingalls moved that the Board of Nursing issue an order of reprimand to Chrisha Watson and to require her to complete National Council of State Boards of Nursing online course "Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses" within 90 days of entry of the order. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This decision shall be effective upon the entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusions, and decision of this formal hearing panel.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned at 5:02 P.M.

Brenda Krohn, MS, RN
Deputy Executive Director