

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
December 15, 2016**

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:00 A.M., on December 15, 2016 in Board Room 3, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marie Gerardo, MS, RN, ANP-BC, Chairperson
Regina Gilliam, LPN

STAFF PRESENT: Brenda Krohn, RN, MS, Deputy Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Amy Weiss, Adjudication Specialist

**CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:** **Lorena S. Murillo, LPN Applicant**
Ms. Murillo appeared, accompanied by her daughter and a friend.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Gilliam 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 9:36 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Murillo. Additionally, Ms. Gilliam moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Weiss 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 9:43 A.M.

Ms. Gilliam 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: Ms. Gilliam moved to issue an order to deny Lorena S. Murillo's application for licensure as a practical nurse by endorsement.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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

Amy L. Kroll, LPN Applicant

Ms. Kroll appeared, accompanied by her boyfriend.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Gilliam 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 10:03 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Kroll. Additionally, Ms. Gilliam moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Weiss 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 10:11 A.M.

Ms. Gilliam 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:

Ms. Gilliam moved to issue an order to deny Amy L. Kroll's application for licensure as a practical nurse by endorsement.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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

Denise H. Patterson, RN Reinstatement Applicant 0001-152244

Ms. Patterson did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Gilliam 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 10:15 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Patterson. Additionally, Ms. Gilliam moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Weiss 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 10:23 A.M.

Ms. Gilliam 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:

Ms. Gilliam moved to issue an order to deny Denise Patterson's application for reinstatement and shall remain on indefinite suspension for not less than 2 years.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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

Ingrid Allen, RMA Applicant

Ms. Allen appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Gilliam 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 11:03 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Allen. Additionally, Ms. Gilliam moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Weiss 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 11:15 A.M.

Ms. Gilliam 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:

Ms. Gilliam moved to issue an order to approve Ingrid Allen's application to take the medication aide examination and issue an unrestricted registration contingent upon successful completion of the state exam.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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

Stacie Armiger, C.N.A. Applicant

Ms. Armiger did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Gilliam 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 11:22 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Armiger. Additionally, Ms. Gilliam moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Weiss 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 11:30 A.M.

Ms. Gilliam 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:

Ms. Gilliam moved to issue an order to deny Stacie Armiger's application for certification as a nurse aide by endorsement.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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

Kimberly Jernigan, RN Applicant

Ms. Jernigan appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Gilliam 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 1:35 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Jernigan. Additionally, Ms. Gilliam moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Weiss 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 1:47 P.M.

Ms. Gilliam 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:

Ms. Gilliam moved to issue an order to approve Kimberly Jernigan's application to take the registered nurse examination and issue an unrestricted licensed contingent upon successful completion of the exam.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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

Tomeka McLean, LPN Reinstatement Applicant 0002-074305

Ms. McLean appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Gilliam 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 2:15 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. McLean. Additionally, Ms. Gilliam moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Weiss 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 2:31 P.M.

Ms. Gilliam 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:

Ms. Gilliam moved to issue an order to approve Tomeka McLean's application for reinstatement for licensure as a practical nurse.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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

Sarah Beth Saunders, RN Applicant

Ms. Saunders appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Gilliam 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 3:08 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Saunders. Additionally, Ms. Gilliam moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Weiss 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 3:35 P.M.

Ms. Gilliam 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:

Ms. Gilliam moved to issue an order to approve Sarah Beth Saunders' application to take the registered nurse examination contingent upon verification of Ms. Saunders' entry into the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program and thereafter remaining in compliance with the terms of the monitoring contract with the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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

Elizabeth Dunham, C.N.A. Reinstatement Applicant 1401-123528

Ms. Dunham did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Gilliam 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 3:45 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Dunham. Additionally, Ms. Gilliam moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Weiss 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 3:55 P.M.

Ms. Gilliam 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:

Ms. Gilliam moved to issue an order to deny Elizabeth Dunham's application for reinstatement for certification as a nurse aide.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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

Kiesha Bennerman, C.N.A. Reinstatement Applicant 1401-118989

Ms. Bennerman did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Gilliam 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 3:56 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Bennerman. Additionally, Ms. Gilliam moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Weiss 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 4:10 P.M.

Ms. Gilliam 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:

Ms. Gilliam moved to issue an order to deny Kiesha Bennerman's application for reinstatement for certification as a nurse aide.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Bennerman unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Bennerman 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 4:15 P.M.

Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S.
Deputy Executive Director