

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
October 2, 2017**

- TIME AND PLACE:** The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:00 A.M., on October 2, 2017 in Board Room 1, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dustin Ross, DNP, MBA, RN (Chairperson)
Laura Freeman Cei, BS, LPN, CCRP
- STAFF PRESENT:** Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S., Deputy Executive Director
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Anne Joseph, Deputy Director, Administrative Proceeding Division
Parkview High School, faculty and nurse aide students
- CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:** **Leah Goodwin, RN 0001-170894**
Ms. Goodwin did not appear.
- CLOSED MEETING:** Ms. Cei 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 9:25 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Goodwin. Additionally, Ms. Cei moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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 9:45 A.M.
- Ms. Cei 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. Cei moved to offer Leah Goodwin a Consent Order for indefinite suspension of her license for not less than one (1) year, 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 Ms. Goodwin and the Board.
- RECESS:** The committee recessed at 10:00 A.M.
- RECONVENTION:** The committee reconvened at 1:00 P.M

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Margaret Valentine, RN 0001-136739
Ms. Valentine appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Cei 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 2:08 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Valentine. Additionally, Ms. Cei moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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.

Ms. Cei 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. Cei moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Margaret Valentine and require she provide proof of completion of the following courses within 90 days of entry of order: "*Professional Accountability & Legal Liability for Nurses*", "*Documentation: A Critical Aspect of Client Care*" and "*Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing*". 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. Valentine unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Valentine 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:

Tammy Gross, LPN 0002-026915
Ms. Gross appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Cei 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 2:54 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Gross. Additionally, Ms. Cei moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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 3:07 P.M.

Ms. Cei 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. Cei moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Tammy Gross and require she provide proof of completion of the following course within 90 days of entry of order: *“Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing”*.
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. Gross unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Gross 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:**

Cynthia Leath, RN 0001-168111

Ms. Leath appeared accompanied by her attorney, Noah Downs.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Cei 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 4:09 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Leath. Additionally, Ms. Cei moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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 4:24 P.M.

Ms. Cei 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. Cei moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Cynthia Leath and require she provide proof of completion of the following courses within 90 days of entry of order: *“Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills”*, *“Professional Accountability & Legal Liability for Nurses”*, *“Documentation: A Critical Aspect of Client Care”* and *“Delegating Effectively”*.
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. Leath unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Leath 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:

Anne-Marie Peery, RN 0001-212898
Ms. Peery did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Cei 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 4:33 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Peery. Additionally, Ms. Cei moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Joseph 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 4:50 P.M.

Ms. Cei 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. Cei moved to offer Anne-Marie Peery a Consent Order for indefinite suspension of her license, 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 Ms. Peery and the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 5:00 P.M.



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