

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING  
FORMAL HEARINGS  
March 13, 2018**

**TIME AND PLACE:** The meeting of the Virginia Board of Nursing was called to order at 10:33 A.M. on March 13, 2018 in Training Room 1, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico Virginia.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Louise Hershkowitz, CRNA, MSHA; President, Chair  
Laura Cei, BS, LPN, CCRP  
Margaret Friedenber, Citizen Member  
Marie Gerardo, MS, RN. ANP-BC  
Mark Monson, Citizen Member

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Robin Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP; Deputy Executive Director for Advanced Practice  
Jane Elliott, RN, PhD; Discipline Staff  
Darlene Graham, Senior Discipline Staff

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A PANEL:**

With five members of the Board present, a panel was established.

**FORMAL HEARINGS:**

**Global Health College Associate Degree RN Education Program –  
US2840200**

Ms. Mariata Kargbo, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE; Program Director did not appear.

James Schliessmann, Assistant Attorney General, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Juan Ortega, court reporter with Crane-Snead & Associates, recorded the proceedings.

Charlette Ridout, RN, MS, CNE, Senior Nursing Education Consultant for Virginia Board of Nursing was present and testified.

**CLOSED MEETING:**

Mr. Monson moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 11:09 A.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Global Health College Associate Degree RN Education Program. Additionally, Mr. Monson moved that Dr. Hills, Dr. Elliott, Ms. Graham 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 11:57 A.M.

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

**ACTION:**

Ms. Gerardo moved that the approval to operate the Global Health College Associate Degree RN Education Program be withdrawn. In addition, the Program shall be closed no later than May 1, 2018, and Global Health College shall comply with the requirements for program closure as outlined in 18VAC90-27-230(D) and 18VAC90-270-240(B) and (C). 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 12:00 P.M.

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Robin Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP  
Deputy Executive Director for Advanced Practice