## VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE C INFORMAL CONFERENCES June 24, 2019

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was

convened at 9:06 A.M., on June 24, 2019 in Board Room 1, Suite 201,

Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Trula E. Minton, M.S., R.N. - Chairperson

Margaret J. Friedenberg, Citizen Member

Dawn Hogue, M.A., L.M.T.

STAFF PRESENT: Charlette Ridout, R.N., M.S., C.N.E., Deputy Executive Director

Patricia Dewey, R.N., B.S.N., Discipline Case Manager

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

STAFF PRESENT: Tammie Jones

OTHERS PRESENT: Cathy Hanchey, Senior Licensing/Discipline Specialist

Jesslyn Watkins, Senior Investigator, DHP

**CONFERENCES** 

SCHEDULED: Heather D. Riggleman, L.M.T. Applicant

Ms. Riggleman appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of

Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 9:33 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Riggleman. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout, Ms. Dewey and Ms. Jones 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 10:04 A.M.

Ms. Friedenberg 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. Hogue moved to issue an Order of Reprimand to Heather D. Riggleman and

issue an Order to Approve Ms. Riggleman's Application for Initial Licensure as a Massage Therapist contingent upon verification of Ms. Riggleman's entry into the

Virginia Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program (HPMP) and remaining in compliance with all terms and conditions of the HPMP for the period specified by the HPMP. 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 Riggleman, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Riggleman 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:

Tia Marie Robertson, L.M.T. Applicant

Ms. Robertson appeared.

Teresa Kimmel was also present.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:52 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Robertson. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout, Ms. Dewey and Ms. Jones 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 11:10 A.M.

Ms. Friedenberg 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. Hogue moved to issue an Order to Approve Ms. Robertson's Application for Initial Licensure as a Massage Therapist. 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. Robertson, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Robertson 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:

Ismail Hakki Demirtas, L.M.T. 0019-010698

Mr. Demirtas appeared, accompanied by his attorneys, Michael Goodman and

Nora Ciancio.

Kimberly Haebler, Brigul Demirtas, Atilla Bilgig and Kemal Akturk were also

present.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 11:52 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Demirtas. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout, Ms. Dewey and Ms. Jones 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 12:13 P.M.

Ms. Friedenberg 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. Hogue moved to issue an Order to Dismiss the case and Impose No Sanction due to insufficient evidence of a violation of laws or regulations governing the practice of Massage Therapists. 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 Mr. Demirtas, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Demirtas 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:

Catherine Diane Foltz Slagell, L.M.T. 0019-006736

Ms. Slagell appeared.

Bob Holton and Bethany Smith were also present.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 12:51 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Slagell. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout, Ms. Dewey and Ms. Jones 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 1:00 P.M.

Ms. Friedenberg 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. Hogue moved to issue an Order to Dismiss the case and Impose No Sanction due to insufficient evidence to warrant disciplinary action by the Board of 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. Slagell, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Slagell 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.

RECESS: The committee recessed at 1:05 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The committee reconvened at 1:42 P.M.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Albert Lee Safewright, Jr., L.M.T. 0019-015801

Mr. Safewright did not appear.

**CLOSED MEETING:** 

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:42 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Safewright. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Dewey and Ms. Jones 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. Friedenberg 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. Hogue moved to offer Albert Lee Safewright, Jr. a Consent Order for Revocation of his license to practice as a Licensed Massage Therapist, 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 Mr. Safewright and the Board.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Carol Louise Hakey, L.P.N., L.M.T. 0002-095640 & 0019-000657 Ms. Hakey did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:47 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Hakey. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout, Ms. Dewey and Ms. Jones 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 2:00 P.M.

Ms. Friedenberg 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. Hogue moved to offer Carol Louise Hakey a Consent Order for Indefinite Suspension of her licenses to practice as a Licensed Practical Nurse and as a Licensed Massage Therapist until such time as she appears before the Board to demonstrate that she is safe and competent to return to the practice of professional nursing, 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. Hakey and the Board.

Ms. Hogue left the meeting.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Leauna Moseley, R.M.A. Applicant

Ms. Moseley appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:28 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the

matter of Ms. Moseley. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout, Ms. Dewey and Ms. Jones 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 2:46 P.M.

Ms. Friedenberg 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. Friedenberg moved to issue an Order of Reprimand to Leauna Moseley and issue an Order to Approve Ms. Moseley's Application for Registration as a Medication Aide contingent upon successful completion of the Medication Aide 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. Moseley, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Moseley 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:

Jameelah A. Johnson, C.N.A. Reinstatement Applicant 1401-094273 Ms. Johnson appeared.

**CLOSED MEETING:** 

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 3:18 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Johnson. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout, Ms. Dewey and Ms. Jones 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 3:40 P.M.

Ms. Friedenberg 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.

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ACTION:

Ms. Friedenberg moved to issue an Order to Approve Ms. Johnson's Application Reinstatement for Certification as a Nurse Aide contingent upon successful completion of the Nurse Aide 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. Johnson, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Johnson 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 4:00 P.M.

Charlette Ridout, R.N., M.S., C.N.E.

Deputy Executive Director