

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING  
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
June 6, 2017**

**TIME AND PLACE:** The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:20 A.M., on June 6, 2017 in Training Room 1, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jeanne Holmes, Citizen Member, Chairperson  
Guia Caliwagan, R.N., M.S.N., EdS  
Dawn Hogue, L.M.T.

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Amy Weiss, Adjudication Specialist

**CONFERENCES  
SCHEDULED:** **Stephanie Vierkant, L.M.T. Applicant**  
Ms. Vierkant appeared.

**CLOSED MEETING:** Ms. Caliwagan 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 9:48A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Vierkant. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan 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 10:03 A.M.

Ms. Hogue 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 Stephanie Vierkant's application for licensure as a massage therapist contingent upon successful completion of the MBLEX 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. Vierkant unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Vierkant 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:

**Ian Ford, L.M.T. 0019-012837**

Mr. Ford appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Caliwagan 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 11:13 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Ford. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan 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 11:41A.M.

Ms. Hogue 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 Ian Ford and require he provide proof of completion of the following courses within 90days of entry of the order: *minimum (6) hour Board Approved course in ethics and liability*

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. Ford unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Ford 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.

The Committee took a break for lunch at 11:50 A.M. and reconvened at 1:00 P.M.

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED:

**Liza Cortez, L.M.T. Applicant**

Ms. Cortez appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Caliwagan 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 1:21 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Cortez. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan 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 1:34 P.M.

Ms. Hogue 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 Liza Cortez's application for licensure as a massage therapist and issue an unrestricted license.

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. Cortez unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Cortez 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:**

**Jason Darnell, L.M.T. Applicant**

Mr. Darnell did not appear.

**CLOSED MEETING:**

Ms. Caliwagan 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 1:40 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Darnell. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan 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 1:46 P.M.

Ms. Hogue 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 deny Jason Darnell's application for 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 Mr. Darnell unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Darnell 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.

Ms. Hogue left the meeting.

CONFERENCES  
SCHEDULED:

**Helen Sinclair, C.N.A. Reinstatement Applicant 1401-039024**

Ms. Sinclair did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Caliwagan 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 2:10 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Sinclair. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan 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. Caliwagan 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. Caliwagan moved to issue an order to deny Helen Sinclair's application for reinstatement 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. Sinclair unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Sinclair 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 2:36 P.M.

*Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S.*

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Deputy Executive Director