

VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
April 22, 2024

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:00 A.M., on April 22, 2024, in Board Room 1, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ann Tucker Gleason, Ph.D., Citizen Member, *Chairperson*
Carol A. Cartte, RN, BSN

STAFF PRESENT: Charlette Ridout, RN, MS, CNE

OTHERS PRESENT: Avi Efreom, Adjudication Specialist
Jovonni Armstead, Adjudication Specialist

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED: **Carole D. Pearson, LPN Reinstatement Applicant 0002-067894**
Ms. Pearson appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Cartte 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 9:26 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Pearson. Additionally, Ms. Cartte moved that Ms. Ridout and Mr. Efreom 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 9:55 A.M.

Ms. Cartte 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. Cartte moved to issue an Order to Approve Carole D. Pearson's Application for Reinstatement for licensure as a Practical Nurse contingent upon completion of a Board approved refresher course and offer a Consent Order for Indefinite Suspension Stayed contingent upon verification of Ms. Pearson's entry into HPMP and remaining in compliance with HPMP. The basis of this decision will be set forth in an Order which will be mailed to Ms. Pearson at her address of record with the Board. 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. Pearson unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Pearson 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:

Haja Kadiatu Sesay, CNA Reinstatement Applicant 1401-089919

Ms. Sesay did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Cartte 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 10:32 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Sesay. Additionally, Ms. Cartte moved that Ms. Ridout, Mr. Armstead, and Mr. Efreom 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 10:38 A.M.

Ms. Cartte 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. Cartte moved to issue an Order to Deny Haja Kadiatu Sesay's Application for Reinstatement for certificate as a Certified Nurse Aide. The basis of this decision will be set forth in an Order which will be mailed to Ms. Sesay's at her address of record with the Board. 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. Sesay unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Sesay 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 10:45 A.M.

RECOVENTION:

The Committee reconvened at 1:00 P.M.

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED:

Khayriyyah Azeez, LPN Reinstatement Applicant 0002-038406

Ms. Azeez appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Cartte 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 1:30 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Azeez. Additionally, Ms. Cartte moved that Ms. Ridout, Mr. Armstead, and Mr. Efreom 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 1:37 P.M.

Ms. Cartte 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. Cartte moved to issue an Order to Approve Khayriyyah Azeez's Application for Reinstatement for licensure as a Practical Nurse contingent upon successful completion of a Board approved refresher course. The basis of this decision will be set forth in an Order which will be mailed to Ms. Azeez at her address of record with the Board. 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. Azeez unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Azeez 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:

Amanda Lynn Vandevander Smith, CNA Reinstatement Applicant 1401-143727

Ms. Smith appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Cartte 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 3:14 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Smith. Additionally, Ms. Cartte moved that Ms. Ridout, Mr. Armstead, and Mr. Efreom 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 4:12 P.M.

Ms. Cartte 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. Cartte moved to issue an Order to Deny Amanda Lynn Vandervander Smith's Application for Reinstatement for certificate as a Certified Nurse Aide. The basis

of this decision will be set forth in an Order which will be mailed to Ms. Smith at her address of record with the Board. 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. Smith unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Smith 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:

Brandy Taylor, CNA Reinstatement Applicant 1401-150007

Ms. Taylor appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Cartte 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 4:44 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Taylor. Additionally, Ms. Cartte moved that Ms. Ridout and Mr. Efreom 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 5:04 P.M.

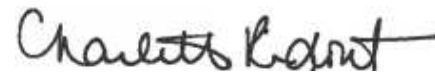
Ms. Cartte moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Cartte moved to issue an Order to Reprimand to Brandy Taylor and Approve Brandy Taylor's Application for Reinstatement for certificate as a Certified Nurse Aide. The basis of this decision will be set forth in an Order which will be mailed to Ms. Taylor at her address of record with the Board. 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. Taylor unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Taylor 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 5:05 P.M.



Charlette Ridout, RN, MS, CNE
Board Staff