

VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
POSSIBLE SUMMARY SUSPENSION TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL
September 11, 2024

A possible summary suspension telephone conference call of the Virginia Board of Nursing was held September 11, 2024, at 3:00 P.M.

The Board of Nursing members participating in the call were:

Cynthia Swineford, RN, MSN, CNE; **Chair**
Carol Cartte, RN, BSN – **via phone**
Victoria Cox, DNP, RN
Pamela Davis, LPN – **via phone**
Margaret Friedenberg, Citizen Member – **via phone**
Cleopatra Kitt, PhD, Citizen Member
Helen Parke, DNP, FNP-BC
Robert Scott, RN – **via phone**
Shelly Smith, PhD, DNP, ANP-BC – **via phone**
Jodi Zehr, RN

Others participating in the meeting were:

James Rutkowski, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel – **via phone**
Sean Murphy, Assistant Attorney General
Grace Stewart, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceeding Division – **via phone**
Amanda Paula-Wilson, Assistant Attorney General
Jovonni Armstead, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceeding Division
Claire Morris, RN, LHNA; Executive Director
Ann Hardy, MSN, RN; Deputy Executive Director
Robin Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP; Deputy Executive Director for Advanced Practice
Christina Bargdill, BSN, MHS, RN; Deputy Executive Director
Huong Vu, Operations Manager

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Swineford. With 10 members of the Board of Nursing participating, a quorum was established.

Sean Murphy, Assistant Attorney General, presented evidence that the continued practice massage therapy by **Micah Johnathan Todd, LMT (0019-018518)** may present a substantial danger to the health and safety of the public.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Cartte moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 3:05 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Micah Johnathan Todd**. Additionally, Ms. Cartte moved that Ms. Morris, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Hardy, Dr. Hills, Ms. Vu and Mr. Rutkowski 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 by Dr. Cox and carried unanimously.

Mr. Murphy, Ms. Paula-Wilson, Ms. Stewart and Ms. Armstead left the meeting at 3:05 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 3:10 P.M.

Ms. Cartte 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 by Dr. Cox and carried unanimously.

Mr. Murphy, Ms. Paula-Wilson, Ms. Stewart and Ms. Armstead re-joined the meeting at 3:10 P.M.

Dr. Parke moved to summarily suspend the license of **Micah Jonathan Todd** to practice massage therapy in the Commonwealth of Virginia pending a formal administrative hearing and to offer a consent order for revocation of his license in lieu of a formal hearing. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cox and carried unanimously.

Mr. Murphy and Ms. Stewart left the meeting at 3:11 P.M.

Amanda Paula-Wilson, Assistant Attorney General, presented evidence that the continued practice professional nursing by **Ifeoma Vivian Nwachuku, RN** may present a substantial danger to the health and safety of the public.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Cartte moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 3:16 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Ifeoma Vivian Nwachuku**. Additionally, Ms. Cartte moved that Ms. Morris, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Hardy, Dr. Hills, Ms. Vu and Mr. Rutkowski 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 by Dr. Cox and carried unanimously.

Ms. Paula-Wilson and Ms. Armstead left the meeting at 3:16 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 3:22 P.M.

Ms. Cartte 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 by Dr. Cox and carried unanimously.

Ms. Paula-Wilson and Ms. Armstead re-joined the meeting at 3:22 P.M.

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Dr. Cox moved to summarily suspend the right to renew the license of **Ifeoa Vivian Nwachuku** to practice professional nursing pending a formal administrative hearing and to offer a consent order for revocation of her right to renew her license in lieu of a formal hearing. The motion was seconded by Dr. Parke and carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 P.M.

Claire Morris, RN, LNHA
Deputy Executive Director

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