

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING**  
**POSSIBLE SUMMARY SUSPENSION TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL**  
**August 13, 2020**

A possible summary suspension telephone conference call of the Virginia Board of Nursing was held August 13, 2020 at 4:30 P.M.

**The Board of Nursing members participating in the meeting were:**

Marie Gerardo, MS, RN, ANP-BC; Chair	Louise Hershkowitz, CRNA, MSHA
Yvette L. Dorsey, DNP, RN	Dixie L. McElfresh, LPN
Margaret Friedenberg, Citizen Member	Mark Monson, Citizen Member
A Tucker Gleason, PhD, Citizen Member	Felisa Smith, RN, MSA, MSN/Ed, CNE
James Hermansen-Parker, MSN, RN, PCCN-K	

**Others participating in the meeting were:**

Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel  
Wayne Halbleib, Senior Assistant Attorney General/Chief  
Cynthia Gaines, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division  
Jay P. Douglas, RN, MSM, CSAC, FRE; Executive Director  
Charlette Ridout, RN, MS, CNE; Deputy Executive Director  
Robin Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP; Deputy Executive Director for Advanced Practice  
Patricia L. Dewey, RN, BSN; Discipline Case Manager  
Huong Vu, Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Gerardo. With 9 members of the Board of Nursing participating, a quorum was established. A good faith effort to convene a meeting at the Board of Nursing offices within the week failed.

Wayne Halbleib, Senior Assistant Attorney General/Chief, presented evidence that the continued practice of nursing by **Brooke Ashley Mevey Sutton, LPN (0002-085077)** may present a substantial danger to the health and safety of the public.

Mr. Halbleib and Ms. Gaines left the meeting at 4:55 P.M.

**CLOSED MEETING:** Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 4:55 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Sutton. Additionally, Ms. Hershkowitz moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Ridout, Dr. Hills, Ms. Dewey, Ms. Vu 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 5:06 P.M.

Dr. Gleason 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.

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Mr. Monson moved to summarily suspend the license of **Brooke Ashley Mevey Sutton** to practice practical nursing pending a formal administrative hearing and to offer a consent order for indefinite suspension of her license with suspension stayed contingent upon Ms. Sutton's entry into a Contract with the Virginia Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program (HPMP) and compliance with all terms and conditions of the HPMP for the period specified by the HPMP in lieu of a formal hearing. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 P.M.

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Charlette N. Ridout, RN, MS, CNE  
Deputy Executive Director