

VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE B
April 19, 2023

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:00 A.M., on April 19, 2023, in Hearing Room 5, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Felisa A. Smith, PhD, MSA, RN, CNE, *Chairperson*
Margaret Joan Friedenberg, Citizen Member

STAFF PRESENT: Charlette Ridout, RN, MS, CNE, RN, Education Program Inspector

OTHERS PRESENT: Christina Andreoli, Adjudication Specialist
Anne Joseph, Adjudication Consultant
Rebecca Ribley, Adjudication Specialist

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED: **Kashif Alidina, RN 0001-267303**
Mr. Alidina appeared, accompanied by his attorney, Eileen Talamante.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Friedenberg 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 9:54 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Alidina. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Andreoli 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 10:35 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. Friedenberg moved to issue an Order to place Kashif Alidina on Probation with terms for 1 year employment as a registered nurse. The basis of this decision will be set forth in an Order which will be mailed to Mr. Alidina at his 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 Mr. Alidina

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

Stella Louise Roach Walker, RMA 0031-012185

Ms. Walker appeared, accompanied by her attorney, Michael Pritchard.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Friedenberg 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 11:21 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Walker. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Joseph 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 11:48 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. Friedenberg moved to offer Stella Louise Roach Walker a Consent Order for the Indefinite Suspension of her Registration and until such time as Ms. Walker can provide evidence of being safe and competent to practice. The basis of this decision will be set forth in a Consent Order which will be mailed to Stella Louise Roach Walker at her address of record with the Board. 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. Walker and the Board.

RECESS:

The Committee recessed at 11:50 A.M.

RECOVENTION:

The Committee reconvened at 1:00 P.M.

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED:

Christine Aittama, RN 0001-185047

Ms. Aittama appeared, accompanied by her parents, Julie and Donald Aittama.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(16) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:17 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Aittama. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Joseph 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 1:28 P.M.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Friedenberg 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 1:47 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Aittama. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Joseph 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 1:50 P.M.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Friedenberg 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 1:53 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Aittama. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Joseph 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 2:16 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 Christine Aittama and require Ms. Aittama within 90 days of entry of the order to provide proof of completion 3 hours each of the following Courses in subject areas of: “*Proper Documentation*”, “*Medication Error/Proper Handling & Documentation of Medications*”, and “*Professional Accountability & Legal Liability for Nurses*”. The basis of this decision will be set forth in an Order which will be mailed to Ms. Aittama 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. Aittama unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Aittama 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:**

Monica French, RN 0001-217796

Ms. French appeared, accompanied by her attorney, Ronald Herbert.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Friedenberg 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 3:34 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. French. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Ribley 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 3:54 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. Friedenberg moved to issue an Order to Dismiss the Case & Impose No Sanction due to insufficient evidence to warrant disciplinary action. The basis of this decision will be set forth in an Order which will be mailed to Ms. French at her address of record with the Board. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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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. French unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. French 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 3:55 P.M.



Charlette Ridout, RN, MS, CNE
RN Probable Cause Reviewer
Education Program Inspector