

VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
FORMAL HEARINGS
July 22, 2021

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Virginia Board of Nursing was called to order at 9:02 A.M., on July 22, 2021 in Board Room 2, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia.

**BOARD MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Mark Monson, Citizen Member; First Vice-President
Ethlyn McQueen-Gibson, DNP, MSN, RN, BC; Second Vice-President
Yvette Dorsey, DNP, RN
James Hermansen-Parker, MSN, RN, PCCN-K
Brandon Jones, MSN, RN, CEN, NEA-BC
Dixie McElfresh, LPN
Meenakshi Shah, BA, RN
Cynthia Swineford, MSN, RN, CNE

STAFF PRESENT:

Robin Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP; Deputy Executive Director for
Advanced Practice
Lelia Claire Morris, RN, LNHA; Deputy Executive Director
Francesca Iyengar, MSN, RN; Discipline Case Manager
Cathy Hanchey, Senior Licensing/Discipline Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT:

Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel
Julia Bennett, Deputy Director, Administrative Proceedings Division
Claire Foley, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings
Division
Tosha Fischetti, Senior Investigator, Enforcement Division

**ESTABLISHMENT OF
A PANEL:**

With eight members of the Board present, a panel was established.

RECESS:

The Board recessed at 9:52 A.M.

RECONVENTION:

The Board reconvened at 9:58 A.M.

FORMAL HEARINGS:

Aminata Nana Kallon, RN Reinstatement 0001-197933

Ms. Kallon appeared and was represented by Eileen Talamante.

David Kazzie, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings
Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal
counsel for the Board. Renee M. Cordero Larkin, court reporter with
Veteran Reporters, recorded the proceedings.

Renee White, Senior Investigator, Enforcement Division, and Allyah Z. Pleasant, MSN, RN, CCO were present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Jones moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 10:07 A.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Aminata Nana Kallon**. Additionally, Mr. Jones moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Morris, Ms. Iyengar, Ms. Hanchey, 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 by Mr. Hermansen-Parker and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 10:45 A.M.

Mr. Jones 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 Ms. Shah and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Dr. Dorsey moved that the Board of Nursing approve the application of **Aminata Nana Kallon** for reinstatement of her license without restriction to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hermansen-Parker and carried unanimously.

This decision shall be effective upon entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusion, and decision of this formal hearing panel.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned at 10:46 A.M.

Lelia Claire Moriss, RN, LNHA
Deputy Executive Director