

VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
FORMAL HEARINGS
July 17, 2023

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Virginia Board of Nursing was called to order at 9:08 A.M., on July 17, 2023, in Board Room 2, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia.

BOARD MEMBERS
PRESENT:

Brandon A. Jones, MSN, RN, CEN, NEA-BC; President
Carol Cartte, RN, BSN
Yvette Dorsey, DNP,
Margaret Friedenberg, Citizen Member
James L. Hermansen-Parker, MSN, RN, PCCN-K
Meenakshi Shah, BA, RN
Felisa Smith, PhD, MSA, RN, CNE

STAFF PRESENT:

Robin Hills DNP, RN, WHNP, Deputy Executive Director for Advanced Practice
Christina Bargdill, BSN, MHS, RN; Deputy Executive Director
Lelia Claire Morris, RN, LNHA; Deputy Executive Director- **Joined at 1:02 P.M.**
Sylvia Tamayo-Suijk, Senior Discipline Specialist- **Joined at 1:02 P.M.**
Breana Wilkins, Administrative Support Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT:

Laura A. Booberg, Assistant Attorney General
Virginia Beach BSN Students from ECPI University

ESTABLISHMENT
OF A PANEL:

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

FORMAL HEARINGS:

**Lanette Carolyn Shifflett, CNA reinstatement and LPN applicant
1401-152466**

Ms. Shifflett appeared.

Melissa Gray, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Booberg was legal counsel for the Board. Mona Brooks, court reporter with County Court Reporters Inc., recorded the proceedings.

Tosha Fischetti, Senior Investigator, Enforcement Division, was present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Shah moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 9:34 A.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Lanette Carolyn Shifflett**. Additionally, Ms. Shah moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Wilkins and Ms. Booberg, Board Counsel, 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. Smith and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 9:59 A.M.

Ms. Shah 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. Smith and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Dr. Dorsey moved that the Board of Nursing approve the application for reinstatement of the certificate of **Lanette Carolyn Shifflett** to practice as a nurse aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia, dismiss the allegation and approve the practical nursing application for **Lanette Carolyn Shifflett** and issue a license to practice as a practical nurse in the Commonwealth of Virginia contingent upon completion of Board approved practical nursing refresher course. The motion was seconded by Dr. Smith 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.

RECESS: The Board recessed at 10:01 A.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 11:00 A.M.

FORMAL HEARINGS: **Sheila White, CNA** **1401-023961**

Ms. White did not appear.

David Kazzie, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Booberg was legal

counsel for the Board. Mona Brooke, court reporter with County Court Reporters Inc., recorded the proceedings.

Maria Josen, Senior Investigator, Enforcement Division, was present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Shah moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 11:23 A.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Sheila White**. Additionally, Ms. Shah moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Wilkins and Ms. Booberg 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.

RECESS: The Board recessed at 11:51 A.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 11:55 A.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 12:06 P.M.

Ms. Shah 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 Mr. Hermansen-Parker and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Dr. Dorsey moved that the Board of Nursing reprimand **Sheila White** and place her on probation for a period of not less than two years, with terms. The motion was seconded by Dr. Smith and passed with five votes in favor. Mr. Jones and Ms. Friedenberg opposed the motion.

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.

RECESS: The Board recessed at 12:08 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 1:02 P.M.

Dr. Hills and Ms. Wilkins left the meeting at 1:02 P.M.

Ms. Morris and Ms. Tamayo-Suijk joined the meeting at 1:02 P.M.

FORMAL HEARINGS: **Sarah Anne Alley, RN** **0001-215724**

Ms. Alley appeared, represented by Tori Bramble, her legal counsel.

Melissa Gray, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Booberg was legal counsel for the Board. Mona Brooks, court reporter with County Court Reporters Inc., recorded the proceedings.

Louise Rollins, RN, was present and testified.

RECESS: The Board recessed at 2:20 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 2:29 P.M.

RECESS: The Board recessed at 4:25 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 4:37 P.M.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Shah moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 4:54 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Sarah Anne Alley**. Additionally, Ms. Shah moved that, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Morris, Ms. Tamayo-Suijk and Ms. Booberg, Board Counsel, 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 5:17 P.M.

Ms. Shah 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 Mr. Hermansen-Parker and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Dr. Dorsey moved that the Board of Nursing indefinitely suspend the right to renew the license of **Sarah Anne Alley** to practice as a professional nurse in the Commonwealth of Virginia and stay the suspension contingent upon entry into and compliance with Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program (HMPM). The motion was seconded by Mr. Hermansen-Parker and passed with six votes in favor. Ms. Cartte opposed the motion.

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 5:19 P.M.

Christina Bargdill, BSN, MHS, RN
Deputy Executive Director