

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
EDUCATION SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
Tuesday, June 20, 2023**

Department of Health Professions – Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive, Conference Center 201 – Boardroom 3
Henrico, Virginia 23233

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Education Special Conference Committee was convened at 9:00 a.m. in Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Second Floor, Boardroom 3, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cynthia M. Swineford, RN, MSN, CNE, Chair
Helen M. Parke, DNP, FNP-BC

STAFF PRESENT: Jacquelyn Wilmoth, MSN, RN, Deputy Executive Director
Randall Mangrum, DNP, RN, Nursing Education Program Manager
Christine Smith, MSN, RN, Nurse Aide/RMA Education Program Manager
Melissa Gray, Adjudication Specialist
Beth Yates, Education Program Specialist

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

Chesterfield County Public Schools, Practical Nursing Education Program, Chesterfield, US28104300

Jennifer Perez, RN, Program Coordinator and Dawn Wells, Program Manager, Adult Education were in attendance to represent the program.

Dr. Parke moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A) (27) of the Code of Virginia at 10:13 a.m. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Chesterfield County Public Schools, practical nursing education program. Additionally, Dr. Parke moved that Ms. Wilmoth, Ms. Smith, Ms. Gray and Ms. Yates attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Committee reconvened in open session at 11:12 a.m.

Dr. Parke moved that the Education Informal 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: Dr. Parke moved to recommend that approval to operate a practical nursing program at Chesterfield County Public Schools be withdrawn.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 18, 2023.

Fortis College, associate degree Nursing Education Program, Norfolk, US28409500

Jennifer Martinez, MSN/ED, MHA, RN, Dean of Nursing, Elaine Foster, Vice President of Nursing, and Fabian Fernandez, Campus President were in attendance to represent the program.

Dr. Parke moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A) (27) of the Code of Virginia at 12:36 p.m. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Fortis College, Norfolk, registered nursing education program. Additionally, Dr. Parke moved that Dr Mangrum, Ms. Smith, Ms. Gray and Ms. Yates attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:13 p.m.

Dr. Parke moved that the Education Informal 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:

Dr. Parke moved to recommend that the program continue on conditional approval with terms and conditions.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 18, 2023.

Fortis College Practical Nursing Education Program, Norfolk, US28200500

Jennifer Martinez, MSN/ED, MHA, RN, Dean of Nursing, Elaine Foster, Vice President of Nursing, and Fabian Fernandez, Campus President were in attendance to represent the program.

Dr. Parke moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A) (27) of the Code of Virginia at 1:44 p.m. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Fortis College, Norfolk, practical nursing education program. Additionally, Dr. Parke moved that Dr Mangrum, Ms. Smith, Ms. Gray and Ms. Yates attend the closed meeting because their presence in the

closed meeting was deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:55 p.m.

Dr. Parke moved that the Education Informal 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:

Dr. Parke moved to recommend that the program continue on conditional approval with terms and conditions.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 18, 2023.

Medical Solutions Academy, Practical Nursing Program, Danville, US28110500

Lakesha Reed Curtis, MSN, RN, Program Director was in attendance to represent the program.

Dr. Parke moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A) (27) of the Code of Virginia at 2:28 p.m. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Medical Solutions Academy, practical nursing education program. Additionally, Dr. Parke moved that Ms. Wilmoth, Ms. Smith, Ms. Gray and Ms. Yates attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:49 p.m.

Dr. Parke moved that the Education Informal 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.

Ms. Swineford explained that the committee returned to open session to obtain further information to aid them in their deliberations.

Dr. Parke moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A) (27) of the Code of Virginia at 3:30 p.m. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Medical Solutions Academy, practical nursing education program. Additionally, Dr. Parke moved that Ms. Wilmoth, Ms. Smith, Ms. Gray and Ms. Yates attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Committee reconvened in open session at 3:48 p.m.

Dr. Parke moved that the Education Informal 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:

Dr. Parke moved to recommend that the program continue on conditional approval with terms and conditions.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 18, 2023.

Marymount University, Registered Nursing Programs, Arlington, US28505500 and US28501600

No representatives for the program were present.

ACTION:

Dr. Parke moved to recommend that the request for faculty exceptions be approved as presented.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 18, 2023.

Liberty University, Registered Nursing Programs, Lynchburg, US28500000 and US28511300

No representatives for the program were present.

Dr. Parke disclosed that she knows two of the candidates for continued faculty exception, however she believes she can make a fair and impartial decision in this matter.

There were no objections.

Ms. Swineford disclosed that she is a student in the PhD program at Liberty, however she believes she can make a fair and impartial decision in this matter.

There were no objections.

ACTION: Dr. Parke moved to recommend that the request for faculty exceptions be approved as presented with the exception of E. Blankenship.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 18, 2023.

South University, Registered Nursing Program, Richmond, US28500700

No representatives for the program were present.

ACTION: Dr. Parke moved to recommend that the request for faculty exceptions be approved as presented.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 18, 2023.

Shenandoah University, Registered Nursing Program, Winchester, US28500500

No representatives for the program were present.

ACTION: Dr. Parke moved to recommend that the request for faculty exceptions be approved as presented.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 18, 2023.

The George Washington University, Registered Nursing Program, Ashburn, US28501500

No representatives for the program were present.

ACTION: Dr. Parke moved to recommend that the request for faculty exceptions be approved as presented.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 18, 2023.

**George Mason University, Registered Nursing Programs, Fairfax,
US28508400 and US28510000**

No representatives for the program were present.

ACTION:

Dr. Parke moved to recommend that the request for faculty exception be approved as presented.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 18, 2023.

Meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

Jacquelyn Wilmoth, MSN, RN
Deputy Executive Director

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