

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
EDUCATION INFORMAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
May 11, 2016**

TIME AND
PLACE:

The meeting of the Education Informal Conference Committee was convened at 9:02 a.m. in Suite 201, Department of Health Professions 9960 Mayland Drive, Second Floor, Training Room 2, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS
PRESENT:

Joyce A. Hahn, Ph.D., RN, NEA-BC, FNAP, Chair
Louise Hershkowitz, CRNA, MSHA

STAFF
PRESENT:

Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE, Executive Director
Charlette Ridout, RN, MS, CNE, Senior Nursing Education
Consultant,
Anne Joseph, Deputy Director, Administrative Proceedings
Division
Beth Yates, Administrative Assistant

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

REGISTERED NURSING, PRACTICAL NURSING, AND NURSE AIDE EDUCATION PROGRAMS

George Mason University Baccalaureate Program, Fairfax, US28508400

Dr. Rebecca Sutter, Assistant Professor and Dr. Carol Urban, Associate Director were in attendance.

Dr. Hahn disclosed that she was a former employee of the graduate program at George Mason University and believed she would be able to remain impartial. There was no objection from Dr. Urban or Ms. Hershkowitz.

At 10:11 a.m. Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711 (A) (27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of George Mason University, BSN program, Fairfax. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Joseph, and Ms. Yates attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Committee reconvened in open session at 11:22 a.m.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee 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.

Action: Recommend to withdraw the approval to operate the George Mason baccalaureate nursing education program and the withdraw of approval shall be STAYED and the program shall continue on conditional approval based upon compliance with certain conditions as outlined in the recommended Board Order.

Stratford University Falls Church Baccalaureate Falls Church, US28502100

Dr. Deborah Schaivone, Program Director, and Ms. Marta Coleman, Assistant Director of Nursing and Dr. Richelle Resto, Regional Dean were in attendance.

At 12:40 p.m. Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711 (A) (27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Stratford University Falls Church, Baccalaureate program, Falls Church. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Joseph, and Ms. Yates attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:46 p.m.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee 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.

Action: Recommend to continue on conditional approval with certain conditions as outlined in the Board Order.

The committee recessed at 12:50 p.m.

The committee reconvened at 1:33 p.m.

Piedmont Virginia Community College, Practical Nursing, Charlottesville, US28203800

Dr. Ann Smith, Director of Nursing was in attendance.

At 2:02 p.m. Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711 (A) (27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Piedmont Virginia Community College, Practical Nursing program, Charlottesville. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Joseph, and Ms. Yates attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:09 p.m.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee 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.

Action: Recommend to continue on conditional approval with certain conditions as outlined in the Board Order.

Hampton University Baccalaureate Program, Hampton, US28505400

Ms. Donna Pendergraft, Undergrad Nursing Chair, Dr. Hilda Williamson, Interim Dean, Ms. Norma B. Bergey, Clinical Lab Coordinator, Dr. JoAnn Haysbert, Executive VP and Provost, Ms. Maria C. Holmes, Assistant Professor, and Nathan Kottkemp, Counsel were in attendance.

At 3:23 p.m. Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711 (A) (27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Hampton University, Baccalaureate program, Hampton. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Joseph, and Ms. Yates attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Committee reconvened in open session at 3:43 p.m.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee 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.

Action: Recommend to continue on conditional approval with certain conditions as outlined in the Board Order.

The committee recessed at 3:46 p.m.

The committee reconvened at 3:53 p.m.

ECPI University Newport News, Associate Degree Program, Newport News US28408000

Ms. Andrea Lipsmeyer, Director of Nursing, Ms. Alicia Coles, Campus President, Newport News, and Ms. Barbara Larrar, Senior Vice President were in attendance.

At 4:49 p.m. Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711

(A) (27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of ECPI University Newport News, Associate Degree Nursing program, Newport News. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Joseph, and Ms. Yates attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Committee reconvened in open session at 4:58 p.m.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Education Informal Conference Committee 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.

Action: Recommend to continue on conditional approval with certain conditions as outlined in the Board Order.

Ms. Ridout presented information to the Special Conference Committee regarding the clinical agreements for Global College and a request to perform 80% of clinical experiences outside of Virginia. The Special Conference Committee approved the clinical experience for the current cohort of students and requested additional information from the school which will be considered at a future meeting of the Education Special Conference Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Paula B. Saxby, R.N., Ph.D.
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Senior Nursing Education Consultant