

**THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK
FORMAL HEARING
Friday, April 25, 2014**

The Virginia Board of Social Work ("Board") meeting convened at 1:52 p.m. on Friday, April 25, 2014 at the Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia. Susan Horne-Quatannens, Chair called the meeting to order.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jennifer Blosser
Yvonne Haynes
Susan Horne-Quatannens, Chair
Arthur Mayer
John Salay
Nettie Simon-Owens

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Joseph Walsh
Bernadette Winters
Kristi Wooten

DHP STAFF PRESENT: Catherine Chappell, Executive Director
Charlotte Lenart, Administrative Assistant

COUNSEL PRESENT: James Rutkowski, Assistant Attorney General

OTHERS PRESENT: Anne Joseph, Deputy Executive Director, Administrative Proceedings Division
Lori Larsen, Court Reporter, Crane-Snead & Associates, Inc.
Sarah Georgen, Licensing Manager

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM: With six members of the Board present, a quorum was established.

**Trakesha Jones, L.C.S.W. Applicant
Case No.: 150520**

Ms. Jones appeared without legal counsel in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated March 13, 2014.

Anne Joseph, Deputy Executive Director, represented the Commonwealth. Mr. J. Rutkowski was legal counsel for the Board. Lori Larsen, court reporter with Crane-Snead & Associates, Inc., recorded the proceedings.

Sarah Georgen, Licensing Manager, Board of Social Work was present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Mayer moved that the Board of Social Work convene in Closed Meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Trakesha Jones, L.C.S.W. applicant. Additionally, Mr. Mayer moved that Ms. Chappell, Mr. Rutowski, and Ms. Lenart attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and their presence would aid the Board in its deliberations.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Board reconvened in open session.

Mr. Mayer moved that the Board of Social Work certified that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meetings 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:

Mr. Mayer moved that the Board of Social Work accept the findings of fact and conclusions of law as presented by Ms. Joseph, and amended by the Board that Ms. Jones application for clinical licensure be denied. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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

ADJORNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 3:52 p.m.

Catherine Chappell
Catherine Chappell, Executive Director

Susan Horne-Quatannens
Susan Horne-Quatannens, Chair *HSW*
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