

VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
EDUCATION SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
July 8, 2020

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Education Special Conference Committee was convened at 9:11 a.m. in Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Second Floor, Board Room 4, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ethlyn McQueen-Gibson, DNP, MSN, RN, BC, Chair
James L. Hermansen-Parker, MSN, RN, PCCN-K

STAFF PRESENT: Robin Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP, Deputy Executive Director
Jacquelyn Wilmoth, RN, MSN, Nursing Education Program Manager
Beth Yates, Nursing and Nurse Aide Education Coordinator

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED: **The George Washington University, BSN Program, US28501500**
There were no program representatives present.

The Committee considered the Program's request for three continued faculty exceptions.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved to recommend that the Board approve the requests for continued faculty exceptions for S. Moreno, L. Jeans and D. Foggo-Adams. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 21, 2020.

Liberty University, BSN Program, US28500000
There were no program representatives present.

The Committee considered the Program's request for twenty-six faculty exceptions.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved to recommend that the Board approve the requests for twenty-six continued faculty exceptions for S. Atkins, M. Ayodeji, B. Cash, S. DeFilippis, A.K. Dixon, G. Eaton, D. Fox, L. A. Gilbert, A. Gillenwater, K. Gray, C. Greene, F. Green, S. Harp, A. Hicks, N. Killian, K. Lakes, E. Latshaw, N. Marshall, R. Morris, M.B. Pemberton, R. Pemberton, E. Poole, R. Scott, S. Smith, K. Weaver and M. Wroten. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 21, 2020.

Southwest Virginia Community College, PN Program, US28103100

There were no program representatives present.

The Committee considered the Program's request for one faculty exception.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved to recommend that the Board approve the request for the continued faculty exception for L. Trent. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 21, 2020.

Eastern Mennonite University, BSN Program – US28509700

There were no program representatives present.

The Committee considered the Program's request for two continued faculty exceptions.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved to recommend that the Board approve the request for the continued faculty exceptions for G. Hummel and N. Woodard. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 21, 2020.

Stratford University – Falls Church, BSN Program, US28502100

There were no program representatives present.

The Committee considered the Program's request for one continued faculty exception.

At 9:34 a.m., Mr. Hermansen-Parker 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 registered nursing education program. Additionally, he moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Wilmoth, 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 9:43 a.m.

Mr. Hermansen-Parker 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.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved to recommend that the Board deny the request for continued faculty exception for V. Berrios. Ms. Berrios was granted an initial exception in 2019. To date, she has not met the requirements for continued exception for this academic year pursuant to 18VAC90-27-60(A)(4)(b) and 18VAC90-27-170(2)(c). The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 21, 2020.

Stratford University – Woodbridge, BSN Program, US28502000

There were no program representatives present.

The Committee considered the Program's request for two continued faculty exceptions.

At 9:50 a.m. Mr. Hermansen-Parker 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- Woodbridge registered nursing education program. Additionally, he moved that, Dr. Hills, Ms. Wilmoth, 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 9:56 a.m.

Mr. Hermansen-Parker 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.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved to recommend that the Board deny the request for continued faculty exception for A. Moore. Ms. Moore was granted an initial exception in 2019. To date, she has not met the requirements for continued exception for this academic year pursuant to 18VAC90-27-60(A)(4)(b) and 18VAC90-27-170(2)(c).

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Hermansen Parker moved to recommend that the Board approve the request for continued faculty exception for H. Edge. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 21, 2020.

South University – Richmond, BSN Program, US28500700

There were no program representatives present.

The Committee considered the Program's request for one faculty exception.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved to recommend that the Board approve the request for the continued faculty exception for L. Jaquez. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 21, 2020.

The Committee recessed at 10:00 a.m.

The Committee reconvened at 10:20 a.m.

**DISCUSSION
ITEMS:**

Ms. Wilmoth presented the following reports to the Committee:

2019 NCLEX Results Memo
2019 Closed Nursing Programs Memo
2019 Program Application Memo

A discussion ensued regarding the proposed changes to the 2020 Annual Nursing Education Program Survey.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved to recommend that the Board accept the changes to the 2020 Annual Nursing Education Program Survey. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board on July 21, 2020.

Ms. Wilmoth presented an interactive map of Virginia that will be posted on the Board's website. The map can be used to identify the name, location, degree type, Board approval status, level of accreditation status, previous year NCLEX pass rates, physical and web address for each Board-approved registered and practical nursing education program in the Commonwealth.

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UPDATES:**

Ms. Wilmoth advised the Committee that six consent orders had been issued in 2020.

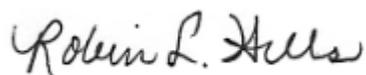
Ms. Wilmoth advised the Committee that the regulatory waivers for simulation (18VAC90-27-100(D)(1) & (2)) implemented March 19, 2020 were extended through December 31, 2020. In addition, waivers for 18VAC90-27-10 and 18VAC90-27-220 (B) & (C) were approved for 1) removing the "onsite" requirement from the definition of site and survey visit and 2) permitting flexibility in the scheduling of site and survey visits due during the state of emergency and extending 30 days after the state of emergency is rescinded.

Dr. Hills stated that a full report on nursing and nurse aide education programs will be provided to the Board as an information item at its meeting on July 21, 2020.

Ms. Douglas joined the meeting at 11:22 a.m. and advised that NCSBN is working with state governments to ensure testing center access that meets the demand for NCLEX testing.

Dr. Hills advised the Committee that testing centers for the NNAAP for nurse aide certification will reopen July 13, 2020 offering pencil and paper testing for the written portion and modified skills testing per COVID-19 guidelines. Policies and procedures are currently in development to move the written portion of the NNAAP from pencil and paper to computerized testing.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.



Robin Hills, RN, DNP, WHNP
Deputy Executive Director