TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:00 A.M., on August 6, 2020 in Board Room 1, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marie Gerardo, MS, RN, ANP-BC, Chairperson
Margaret J. Friedenberg, Citizen Member

STAFF PRESENT: Charlette N. Ridout, RN, MS, CNE, Deputy Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Francesca Iyengar, Board of Nursing Staff
Janice Redinger, Administrative Proceedings Division

CONFERENCE SCHEDULED: Adele Crane Arevalo, R.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0001-200024
Ms. Arevalo appeared.

Anne Joseph, Adjudication Consultant, appeared for the Department of Health Professions Administrative Proceedings Division.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 9:29 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Arevalo. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Joseph attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 9:45 A.M.

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special 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: Ms. Friedenberg moved to Issue an Order to Approve Adele Crane Arevalo’s Application for Reinstatement for licensure as a professional nurse and issue an unrestricted license. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Ms. Arevalo, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Ms. Arevalo within such time. If service of the Order is made by
mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULED:

Lisa Michelle Trusler, R.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0001-111949
Ms. Trusler appeared.

Anne Joseph, Adjudication Consultant, appeared for the Department of Health Professions Administrative Proceedings Division.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 10:43 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Trusler. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Joseph attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:58 A.M.

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special 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:

Ms. Friedenberg moved to Issue an Order to Approve Lisa Michelle Trusler's Application for Reinstatement for licensure as a professional nurse and issue an unrestricted license. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Ms. Trusler, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Ms. Trusler within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULED:

Bobbie A. Johnson, R.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0001-179509
Ms. Johnson appeared.

Anne Joseph, Adjudication Consultant, appeared for the Department of Health Professions Administrative Proceedings Division.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 11:32 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the
matter of Ms. Johnson. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Joseph attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 11:47 A.M.

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special 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: Ms. Friedenberg moved to Issue an Order to Approve Bobbie A. Johnson’s Application for Reinstatement for licensure as a professional nurse contingent upon verification of Ms. Johnson’s entry into and remaining in compliance with HPMP and successful completion of a Board-approved refresher course. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Ms. Johnson, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Ms. Johnson within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULED: Margaret Lee Davis Christian, C.N.A. Reinstatement Applicant 1401-081103

Ms. Christian appeared.

Anne Joseph, Adjudication Consultant, appeared for the Department of Health Professions Administrative Proceedings Division.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 12:32 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Christian. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Joseph attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:46 P.M.

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special 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:

Ms. Friedenberg moved to Issue an Order to Approve Margaret Lee Davis Christian’s Application for Reinstatement for certification as a Nurse Aide and Remove the Finding of Neglect. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Ms. Christian, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Ms. Christian within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

Ms. Iyengar and Ms. Redinger left the meeting at 12:47 P.M.

RECESS:
The committee recessed at 12:47 P.M.

RECONVENTION:
The committee reconvened at 1:27 P.M.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULED:

Jessica Thacker Greear, L.P.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0002-076659
Ms. Greear appeared.

Anne Joseph, Adjudication Consultant, appeared for the Department of Health Professions Administrative Proceedings Division.

CLOSED MEETING:
Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 1:39 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Greear. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Joseph attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:
The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:49 P.M.

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special 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:

Ms. Friedenberg moved to Issue an Order to Approve Jessica Thacker Greear’s Application for Reinstatement for licensure as a practical nurse and issue an
unrestricted Valid Virginia Only license. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Ms. Greear, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Ms. Greear within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULED:

Mitzi Toledo Britt, R.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0001-241655
Ms. Britt appeared.

Anne Joseph, Adjudication Consultant, appeared for the Department of Health Professions Administrative Proceedings Division.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 2:16 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Britt. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Joseph attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:23 P.M.

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special 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:

Ms. Friedenberg moved to Issue an Order to Approve Mitzi Toledo Britt’s Application for Reinstatement for licensure as a professional nurse and issue an unrestricted license. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Ms. Britt, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Ms. Britt within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

Ms. Redinger returned to the meeting at 2:35 P.M.
CONFERENCE SCHEDULED:  

Keisha Marie Brooks, L.P.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0002-072926

Ms. Brooks appeared.

Tammie Jones, Adjudication Specialist, appeared for the Department of Health Professions Administrative Proceedings Division.

CLOSED MEETING:  

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 2:59 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Brooks. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:  

The Committee reconvened in open session at 3:32 P.M.

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special 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:  

Ms. Friedenberg moved to Issue an Order to Approve Keisha Marie Brooks’ Application for Reinstatement for licensure as a practical nurse and issue an unrestricted license. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Ms. Brooks, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Ms. Brooks within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULED:  

Jennifer Lee Crotts, L.P.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0002-052906

Ms. Crotts appeared.

Tammie Jones, Adjudication Specialist, appeared for the Department of Health Professions Administrative Proceedings Division.

CLOSED MEETING:  

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 4:03 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Crotts. Additionally, Ms. Friedenberg moved that Ms. Ridout and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting
is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 4:22 P.M.

Ms. Friedenberg moved that the Special 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: Ms. Friedenberg moved to Issue an Order to Approve Jennifer Lee Crotts’ Application for Reinstatement for licensure as a practical nurse contingent upon successful completion of a Board-approved refresher course. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Ms. Crotts, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Ms. Crotts within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned at 4:25 P.M.

Charlette N. Ridout, R.N., M.S., C.N.E.
Deputy Executive Director