

The Investigative Committee of the Georgia Board of Nursing met Thursday, March 24, 2016 via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kellie Lockwood, RN, MSN, Vice President
Amy Hooper, LPN
Merry Fort, RN
Linda Floyd, RN, EdD, PMHNP-BC

STAFF PRESENT

Jim Cleghorn, Executive Director
Janet Freeman, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Tara Miller, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Edye Tillman-Johnson, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline

Lockwood called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 24, 2016.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Hooper moved, Floyd seconded and the Committee voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2(k); 43-1-19(h), 43-26-5(c) and 43-26-11, to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications, investigative reports and pending cases. The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Thursday, March 24, 2016, Lockwood declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during executive session.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE CASES

(LPNI = Licensed Practical Nurse Investigative Case Number) (RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Hooper moved to present the following recommendations to the Board.

RNI150821 – Close the case.

RNI140263 – Send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Alcohol, Alcohol Abuse and Alcohol Dependency.

RNI151114 – Close the case with a Letter of Concern regarding disclosing information on applications.

RNI160685 – Refer to legal services for an expedited outpatient mental physical examination from a board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

RNI160671 – Refer to the Attorney General’s office for a public consent order to include three (3) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (employer, personal, aftercare, psychotherapy, medication management) and substance abuse stipulations.

LPNI150214/LPNI150337 – Refer to Legal Services for an expedited outpatient mental physical examination from a board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

RNI160103 – Refer to the Attorney General’s office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender.

RNI150472 – Refer for an Investigative Interview.

RNI160373 – Send a mitigating letter requesting APRN level courses, Risk Advisor, How to Protect Your License, Professional Accountability.

RNI151210 – Send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Professional Accountability, Nurses-Negligence and Malpractice.

RNI160285 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for a private consent order to include a fine of \$500 for Failure to Disclose.

RNI160287 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for a private consent order to include a fine of \$500 for Failure to Disclose.

RNI160465 – Send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Ethics, Nurses-Negligence and Malpractice.

RNI120115 – Grant petition for early termination.

LPNI150509 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender. May petition to lift with a mental physical examination within 30 days of the mental physical examination and pay administrative costs. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

LPNI160109 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for a summary suspension.

RNI160665 – Obtain additional information.

RNI151241 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender. May petition to lift within 30 days of petition with an outpatient mental physical examination from a board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

RNI151316 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (employer, personal, aftercare, psychotherapy) and substance abuse stipulations.

LPNI120003 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender. May petition to lift upon payment of fine, submission of required reports and documentation of completion of courses.

LPNI150095 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for revocation of license.

RNI160495 – Close the case.

LPNI150153 – The Board referred the case for a peer review.

LPNI150350 – Close the case with a Letter of Concern (Residents Rights).

RNI160790 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for a private consent order to include a fine of \$500 for Failure to Disclose.

RNI140518 – Send a Letter of Concern. Floyd abstained from the discussion.

RNI160550 – Close the case.

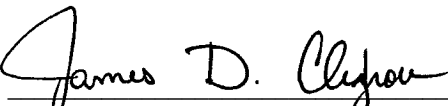
RNI160376 – Close the case.

LPNI160262 – Refer for an Investigative Interview.

LPNI150335 – Close the case with a Letter of Concern (Unprofessional Conduct).

Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Thursday, March 24, 2016 at 4:53 p.m.


James D. Cleghorn, **Executive Director**