

The Georgia Board of Nursing met Monday, November 30, 2020 via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Darrell Thompson, RN, DNP, ACNP-BC, FNP-BC, President
Tammy Bryant, MSN-RN, Vice President
Linda Floyd, RN, EdD, PMHNP-BC
Holly Free-Ollard, RN, MSN
Jennifer Pipkin, RN, MSN, CRNA
Roger Pierce, RN
Renee Dickerson, RN
Maceo Tanner, LPN

STAFF PRESENT

La Trenda Tyler-Jones, Division Director, Professional Licensing Boards Division
Natara Miller, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Kirsten Daughdril, JD, Assistant Attorney General
Cara Lugo, JD, Assistant Attorney General

Thompson called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. on Monday 30, 2020.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Fort moved, Bryant 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 Monday, Monday 30, 2020, Thompson 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)

Fort moved to present the following recommendations to the Board.

RNI201163 – Free moved for Summery Suspension. Fort seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI200984 – Bryant moved for Summery Suspension. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI200307 – Fort moved to require respondent to meet terms of previous indefinite suspension consent order prior to petitioning to lift suspension – Terms: 3-month suspension, outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator, results to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. along with professional advocacy to return to practice, courses listed in the superseded order, \$2000 fine. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI200306 – Free moved to rescind previous motion to review Initial Decision. Fort seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Free seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Monday, November, 2020 at 4:14 p.m.

Darryl W Thompson

Darryl Thompson, **President**

La Trenda Tyler-Jones

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Division Director
Professional Licensing Boards Division

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**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF
PUBLIC MEETING**

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 *et seq.*, requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specific exceptions relied upon. O.C.G.A. §50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting in question.

Comes now the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the Georgia Board of Nursing.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On November 30, 2020 this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of the members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof for the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
4. The legal authority for the closure of this meeting was:
O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h)
5. The subject(s) discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are:
To deliberate applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT

Daniel W. Chapman
Presiding Officer

Sworn and subscribed before me
This 30th day of November, 2020.

Reneal L. Gray
Notary Public

