



GEORGIA BOARD OF NURSING

The Georgia Board of Nursing met on Monday, August 5, 2024, at 4:00pm via Webex video conference for an emergency meeting.

Thursday, August 5, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Ashlan Porter, RN, BSN, President
- Jennifer Pipkin, RN, MSN, CRNA, Vice President
- Darrell Thompson, RN, DNP, ACNP-BC, FNP-BC
- Maceo Tanner, LPN
- Brandy Hollins, LPN
- Dena Zinker, MSN, RN, NE-BC, FACHE
- Heather Bohannon, LPN
- Ryan Loke, Consumer Member
- Joshua Batson NP-C
- Roger Pierce, RN, MSN

OTHERS PRESENT:

- Natara Taylor, Executive Director
- LaWanda Davis, RN, BSN, Legal/Discipline Nursing Consultant
- Trisha McNair, RN, BSN, Legal/Discipline Nursing Consultant
- Edey Tillman-Johnson, RN, BSN, Legal/Discipline Nursing Consultant
- Erika McKinney, Board Support Specialist
- Giovanna Franchi-Souza, Assistant Attorney General
- Tommy McNulty, Assistant Attorney General

MEMBERS ABSENT:

- Ashley Gresham, MSN, RN, CCRN
- Jessica Willcox, MSN, RN
- Cynthia Summerlin, NP-C, DNP

OPEN SESSION

Porter called the emergency meeting to order at 4:00pm on Thursday, August 5, 2024. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Zinker moved, Bohannon seconded, and the Board 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 the Agency Review. The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of the executive session on Thursday, August 5, 2024, Porter 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 the executive session.

CASE REVIEW


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

Loke moved, Pipkin seconded, and the motion was carried by the Board to ratify the following recommendations made during the Executive Session:

RNI240444 – Summary Suspension. (*Pierce abstains*)

RNI241444 – Table pending charges. (*Pierce abstains*)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned August 5, 2024, at 4:05 pm.



Ashlan Porter, **President**



Natara Taylor, **Executive Director**

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF BIBB

**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 August 5, 2024 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



Presiding Officer

Sworn and subscribed before me
This 5th day of August, 2024.



Notary Public

