

Tennessee Board of Nursing
665 Mainstream Drive
Electronic Meeting/Iris Room
Nashville, Tennessee

Disciplinary Meeting
MINUTES
March 22, 2022

Tuesday, March 22, 2022

Call to Order: The electronic meeting of the Tennessee Board of Nursing was called to order at 3:40 pm, March 22, 2022, in the Poplar Room conducted by WebEx.

In order to ensure all requirements were met to have a valid electronic meeting several requirements for electronic meetings were reviewed with the board – each of which required a roll call vote. Participants were asked to introduce self each time before speaking.

Sherry Richardson, conducted roll call to ensure each participant was connected:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>	
Dru Malcolm, RN	Y	N
Samuel Alston, LPN	Y	N
Darren McCoy, APRN	Y	N

Sherry Richardson conducted roll call to determine that each participant heard the responses of all other participants:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>	
Dru Malcolm, RN	Y	N
Samuel Alston, LPN	Y	N
Darren McCoy, APRN	Y	N

A quorum was present pursuant to T.C.A. 63-7-116 (i) - for disciplinary matters 3 or more members shall constitute a quorum. The meeting was being held in order to protect the public by timely considering an application for summary suspension and orders of discipline for ratification.

Ms. Richardson conducted roll call to request that Board members identify anyone else in the room with them at their location:

<u>Name</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>
Dru Malcolm, RN	alone
Samuel Alston, LPN	alone
Darren McCoy, APRN	alone

Ms. Richardson introduced TDH staff present: Elyse Nida, Mark Waters, Margaret Daniel, Cynthia Ellis, Mario Tamayo, and security guard. Jennifer Aisles, Court Reporter, was also present. The respondent, Brittany Mechelle Haines and her attorney C. Philip Carter were also connected.

Board members were asked to verify that all documents were received by cloud link. All board members verified the link was received and they had access to documents.

Dr. Malcolm made a motion to proceed to conduct this meeting electronically. Mr. Alston seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>	
Dru Malcolm, RN	Y	N
Samuel Alston, LPN	Y	N
Darren McCoy, APRN	Y	N

Motion carried.

Ms. Richardson asked for a motion and a second followed by a roll call to determine if the matter or matters to be discussed meet the following requirements for an electronic meeting:

1. The subject matter requires timely action.
2. The physical presence of all members of the Board is not possible considering the time required for action, and
3. The participation by some or all the members of the board by electronic or other means is necessary.

Mr. Alston made a motion to find that the requirements for an electronic meeting have been met. Dr. Malcolm seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>	
Dru Malcolm, RN	Y	N
Samuel Alston, LPN	Y	N
Darren McCoy, APRN	Y	N

Motion carried.

Ms. Richardson reminded each participant to introduce themselves each time before speaking and turned the electronic meeting over to the Panel to elect a Chair. Mr. Alston nominated Dr. Malcolm as Chair for the hearing. Mr. McCoy seconded.

Roll call vote:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>	
Dru Malcolm, RN	Y	N
Samuel Alston, LPN	Y	N
Darren McCoy, APRN	Y	N

Dr. Malcolm turned the meeting over to Ms. Elyse Nida, Assistant General Counsel.

Hearing—Brittany Mechelle Haines, VA RN License # 0001210101

Ms. Elyse Nida, Associate General Counsel, opened the meeting stating the necessity for the emergency meeting of the panel for the summary suspension of privilege to practice for Brittany Mechelle Haines, VA RN License # 0001210101. No panel member declared any prior knowledge of the matter. Ms. Haines was present and represented by C. Philip Carter.

Ms. Gottschall presented the case for summarily suspending the privilege to practice of Ms. Brittany Mechelle Haines, VA RN License # 0001210101.

No conflicts were identified by the board members.

Following presentation, testimony and discussion by the panel, Mr. Alston moved to accept findings of fact 1 through 11 of the proposed order of summary action true as written. Mr. McCoy seconded, roll call vote:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>	
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Dru Malcolm, RN	Y	N
Samuel Alston, LPN	Y	N
Darren McCoy, APRN	Y	N

Motion carried.

Mr. McCoy moved to accept the conclusions of law as amended in the state’s proposed order.
Mr. Alston seconded, roll call vote:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>	
Dru Malcolm, RN	Y	N
Samuel Alston, LPN	Y	N
Darren McCoy, APRN	Y	N

Motion carried.

Mr. Alston moved to summarily suspend Ms. Haines’ privilege to practice as written in the state’s proposed order. Mr. McCoy seconded, roll call vote:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>	
Dru Malcolm, RN	Y	N
Samuel Alston, LPN	Y	N
Darren McCoy, APRN	Y	N

Motion carried.

Dr. Malcolm authorized Ms. Richardson to sign orders presented today on her behalf.

Agreed/Consent Orders

Elyse Nida

Courtney West	RN 222564	Dr. Malcolm moved to accept the consent order as written.
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		<p>Seconded by Mr. Alston, roll call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.</p>
Deborah Denson	RN 131547	<p>Mr. McCoy moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Dr. Malcolm, roll call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.</p>
Lashanna M. Dowdle	LPN 77584	<p>Mr. Alston moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Dr. McCoy, roll call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.</p>
Lisa McLean	RN 71179	<p>Mr. McCoy moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Dr. Malcolm, roll call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.</p>
Shanna Sherrill	RN 127104	<p>Dr. Malcolm moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Mr. McCoy, roll call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.</p>

Ashley Fine

Shirley Jacobs	RN 15229	Mr. Alston moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Dr. Malcolm, roll call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.
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Nathaniel Flinchbaugh

Lorianne Courville	RN 246550	Dr. Malcolm moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Mr. McCoy, roll call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.
Evelyn Crowell	RN 47355	Mr. McCoy moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Dr. Malcolm, roll call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.
Joseph Shultz	RN 139592	Dr. Malcolm moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Mr. McCoy, roll call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.
Angela Tunnell	LPN 84234	Mr. Alston moved to accept the consent order as written.

		<p>Seconded by Mr. McCoy, roll call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.</p>
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Kevin Griffin

Reba Houston	LPN 60719	<p>Mr. Alston moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Dr. Malcolm, roll call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.</p>
Evette Phillips	LPN 86712	<p>Dr. Malcolm moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Mr. McCoy, roll call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.</p>

Eric Winters

Benjamin Creasman	RM 239967	<p>Mr. McCoy moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Mr. Alston, roll call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.</p>
Braden G. Greer	RN 256866 APRN 27832	<p>Dr. Malcolm moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Mr. McCoy, roll</p>

		call vote: Dru Malcolm—yes Darren McCoy—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.
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Mr. Alston moved to adjourn the meeting; second by Mr. McCoy, roll call vote:
Dru Malcolm—yes
Darren McCoy—yes
Samuel Alston—yes
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:13 p. m. (CT) on Tuesday, March 22, 2022.