

**Subcommittee for the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education,
Certification and Licensure and Development
South Pointe Business Park
500 Clinton Center Drive, 4th Floor Multi-purpose Room
Clinton, MS
9:00 a.m.
April 14, 2016**

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2(10) and § 25-41-5, a subcommittee of the members of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development (Commission) met at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 14, 2016, in the 4th Floor Multi-purpose Room of the South Pointe Business Park located at 500 Clinton Center Drive, Clinton, MS.

Members in Attendance: Pamela Manners, Kenny Goza, and Susan McClelland
Commission Counsel: Beebe Garrard, Special Assistant Attorney General

Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Personnel Attending:

Michael C. Martin, Director of Office of Educator Misconduct (OEM)
Holley Haywood, Office of Educator Misconduct Investigator
Joseph A. Runnels, Special Assistant Attorney General, Counsel to OEM

Educator in Attendance:

Gary Edwards, Respondent

I. Case of Gary Edwards, Educator License No.: 195456

Pamela Manners, serving as presiding officer for the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 9:16 a.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Kenny Goza moved to consider going into executive session. Susan McClelland seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to consider going into executive session.

Once the parties cleared the room, Susan McClelland moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee go into executive session for deliberation and findings concerning the License of Educator Gary Edwards. Kenny Goza seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session.

Kenny Goza moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee suspend the Respondent's License No.: 195456 for a period of one (1) year based on clear and convincing evidence that the Respondent violated Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2(12)(h). Susan McClelland seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee

unanimously voted to suspend for a period of one (1) year, Educator License No.: 195456.

On a motion by Kenny Goza, seconded by Susan McClelland, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to come out of executive session.

II. Case of Edwin Hurst, Educator License No.: 205665

Pamela Manners, serving as presiding officer for the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 11:02 a.m.

The Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act prohibits educational agencies from disclosing student's personally identifiable information without parental permission. Based on argument from Joseph Runnels, counsel for the Office of Educator Misconduct, the Commission considered going into executive session to prevent the release of student information.

Kenny Goza moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee go into executive session to prevent the release of student information. Susan McClelland seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following individuals remained in the room: Pamela Manners, Kenny Goza, Susan McClelland, Beebe Garrard, Joseph Runnels, Holley Haywood, the Court Reporter, Michael Martin, and two (2) witnesses for the Office of Educator Misconduct.

Pamela Manners moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee revoke Educator License No.: 205665 held by Edwin Hurst based on the violation of Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2(12)(h). The Respondent may reapply for licensure no less than five (5) years from the date of the hearing, specifically, April 14, 2021. Susan McClelland seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to revoke Educator License No.: 205665.

On a motion by Kenny Goza, seconded by Susan McClelland, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to come out of executive session.

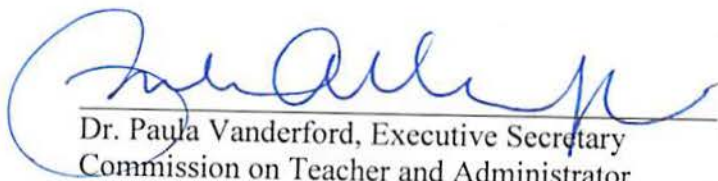
III. Adjournment

On a motion made by Doris Perkins and seconded by Rilla Jones, the Commission unanimously voted to adjourn at 12:24 p.m.

Approved:



Pamela Manners, Subcommittee Chair
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Dr. Paula Vanderford, Executive Secretary
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