

Subcommittee for the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education,  
Certification and Licensure and Development  
Central High School  
Senator Grey Ferris Boardroom  
359 N. West Street, Jackson, MS 39201  
November 15, 2023

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 November 15, 2023, in Senator Grey Ferris Board Room 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 359 N. West Street, Jackson, MS 39201.

Members in Attendance: Dr. Shelly Simmons, Jamie Creel, William Murphy  
Commission Counsel: Jonathan Dennis, Special Assistant Attorney General

OEM Counsel: Joseph Runnels, Esq.

Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Personnel Attending:  
Tilla Tate, Investigator for the Office of Educator Misconduct (OEM)  
Scott DeJong, Director for the OEM

Others in Attendance:  
Demetrius Hill, Educator  
Bill May, Counsel for Educator  
Jimmy Tullos, Witness for OEM

Matters before the Subcommittee:

**I. Case of Demetrius Hill, Educator license No. 186735**

Jonathan Dennis, legal advisor to the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 9:22 a.m.

Bill May, counsel for Demetrius Hill, requested a continuance in the matter. Jamie Creel made a motion to grant the request for continuance. William Murphy seconded the motion, and all voted in favor of granting a continuance.

This matter was concluded at 9:26 a.m.

## **II. Case of Olivia Saulsberry , Educator License No. 192513**

Jonathan Dennis, legal advisor to the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 9: 32 a.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Jamie Creel made a motion to go into closed session. William Murphy seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into closed session. Jamie Creel made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of deliberations and findings concerning the Educator license at issue in the present case. William Murphy seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following people remained in the room: Dr. Shelly Simmons, Jamie Creel, William Murphy, and Jonathan Dennis.

During Executive Session, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee took the following action:

Jamie Creel moved that the Commission hearing Subcommittee take no action against the license of Olivia Saulsberry, Educator License No. 192513. William Murphy seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to take no action against Respondent's license.

On a motion by Jamie Creel, seconded by William Murphy, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to come out of executive session.

In open session, counsel read the decision of the Commission Hearing Subcommittee to the participants.

This matter concluded at 10:25 a.m.

## **III. Agreed Orders**

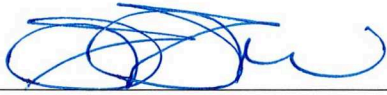
Scott DeJong, Director for the Office of Educator Misconduct, presented five proposed Agreed Orders for ratification by the Commission Hearing Subcommittee:

- A. Eunice Bennamon, Educator License No. 218197 – Standard 10
- B. Brian Cox, Educator License No. 408902 – Standard 10
- C. Azia Whitehead, Educator License No. 326398 – Standard 10
- D. Jessica Hust, Educator License No. 249863 – Standard 4
- E. Lakeshia Miller, Educator License No. 203082 – Standard 9

**IV. Adjournment.**

On a motion by Jamie Creel, seconded by William Murphy, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to adjourn for the day at 10:31 a.m.

Approved:



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Dr. Shelly Simmons, Subcommittee Chair  
Commission on Teacher and Administrator  
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Cory Murphy, Ph.D., Executive Secretary  
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