



**Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education,
Certification, and Licensure and Development
Regular Teleconference Meeting
May 6, 2022
10:00 a.m.**

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-3-2(3) and 25-41-5, the members of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development (Commission) met at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, May 6, 2022, in the 4th Floor Board Room located at Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Central High School, 359 N. West Street, Jackson, MS with some members present via teleconference.

Members Attending:

James Creel	Rebecca Gray	William Hamilton
Mary Hill-Taylor	Kim Hubbard	Dr. Teresa Jayroe
Rilla Jones	Dr. Bernell Kelly	David Martin
Dr. Teresa Poole	Dr. Shelly Simmons	Etta Taplin

Members Absent:

John Howard

Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Personnel Attending via Teleconference:

Dr. Debra Burson	Wendy Clemmons	Erica Coleman
Scott Dejong	Tanya Gipson	Brian McGairty
Mary-Catherine McGregor	Dr. Cory Murphy	Dr. Courtney Van Cleve
Vanessa Wilbert		

Special Assistant Attorney General Attending via Teleconference:

Baylea Blough	Jonathan Dennis
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I. Call to Order

David Martin called the meeting to order on Friday, May 6, 2022, at 10:01 a.m.

II. Establishment of a Quorum

James Creel	Present, MDE Boardroom, Jackson, MS
Rebecca Gray	Present, via teleconference, Iuka, MS
William Hamilton	Present, via teleconference, Oxford, MS
Mary Hill-Taylor	Present, MDE Boardroom, Jackson, MS
John Howard	Absent
Kim Hubbard	Present, MDE Boardroom, Jackson, MS
Dr. Teresa Jayroe	Present, via teleconference, Starkville, MS
Rilla Jones	Present, via teleconference, Corinth, MS
Dr. Bernell Kelly	Present, via teleconference, Gulfport, MS
David Martin	Present, MDE Boardroom, Jackson, MS
Dr. Teresa Poole	Present, via teleconference, Hattiesburg, MS
Dr. Shelly Simmons	Present, via teleconference, Gulfport, MS
Etta Taplin	Present, via teleconference, Ruth, MS

David Martin announced that a quorum of the Commission existed.

III. Approval of the minutes of the March 4, 2022, Meeting of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development

On a motion from Kim Hubbard, seconded by Dr. Teresa Jayroe, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes for the March 4, 2022, Meeting of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development.

IV. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes of March 4, 2022

On a motion from William Hamilton, seconded by Mary Hill-Taylor, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the hearing subcommittee minutes for March 4, 2022.

V. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes of March 24, 2022

On a motion from Rebecca Gray, seconded by Kim Hubbard, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the hearing subcommittee minutes for March 24, 2022.

VI. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes of April 14, 2022

On a motion from Mary Hill-Taylor, seconded by James Creel, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the hearing subcommittee minutes for April 14, 2022.

VII. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes of April 28, 2022

On a motion from Rebecca Gray, seconded by Etta Taplin, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the hearing subcommittee minutes for April 28, 2022.

VIII. Adoption of the Agenda

On a motion from Kim Hubbard, seconded by Rilla Jones, the Commission voted unanimously to adopt the agenda.

IX. Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Updates (Dr. Cory Murphy)

Dr. Cory Murphy reported that there are no updates at this time, and only one announcement. Dr. Murphy announced that Rilla Jones would be retiring effective June 30, 2022, and that this would be her last Licensure Commission meeting. Ms. Jones was thanked for her service to the education community in Mississippi as a whole, and to the Licensure Commission specifically.

X. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise certain criteria for Career Pathway licensure options, 954 Information Technology; 964 Instrumentation; and 967 Collision Repair Technician (Wendy Clemmons/ Tonya Gipson)

On a motion from Etta Taplin, seconded by Mary Hill-Taylor, the Commission voted unanimously to approve beginning the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise certain criteria for Career Pathway licensure options, 954 Information Technology; 964 Instrumentation; and 967 Collision Repair Technician.

XI. Approval of educator preparation programs as recommended by the Division of Educator Preparation (Dr. Debra Burson)

Dr. Teresa Jayroe was recused at 10: 14 AM

On a motion from James Creel, seconded by Mary Hill-Taylor, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the educator preparation programs as recommended by the Division of Educator Preparation.

Dr. Teresa Jayroe returned at 10:21 AM

XII. Discussion of proposed educator preparation program that would lead to a supplemental endorsement in the area of Teacher Leadership. (Dr. Debra Burson)

Dr. Debra Burson presented the proposal from Mississippi State University's Research and Curriculum Unit (RCU) to offer a supplemental (add-on) endorsement in the area of Teacher Leadership by implementing a year-long, 100-hour face-to-face professional development with eight onsite and four virtual presentations comprised of defining and understanding the five roles of instructional coaching. The recommendation is that the supplemental endorsement be available to educators who hold a valid Class AA license (or above) with a minimum of three years of full-time teaching experience who complete the program requirements of the proposed educator preparation program.

After discussion, the Licensure Commission decided to invite the RCU to meet with the full Licensure Commission to present their recommendations in full and to answer questions that may arise at that time.

XIII. Approval of ratifications of agreed orders and/or voluntary surrenders (Mr. Scott Dejong)

Mr. Scott Dejong reported on one agreed order being presented for consideration:


Carmen Vanderford, educator license #270122 executed an Agreed Order acknowledging that he violated Standard 4 of the MS Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct. The Respondent's license shall immediately be suspended for a period of two (2) calendar years from the date of ratification by the Commission. The Respondent shall, at his own expense, complete at a seminar or coursework related to ethical teacher/student relationships from an accredited university or other reputable source satisfactory to the Commission prior to the conclusion of the suspension period. At the conclusion of the suspension period, the Respondent may petition for reinstatement of Respondent's educator license pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2 (14)(a), with the necessity of a hearing either before the Commission, Subcommittee thereof, or a Hearing Officer. The Respondent's license may only be reinstated upon the Respondent's satisfactory showing of evidence of rehabilitation as determined either by a majority of all members of the Commission present at the meeting called for that purpose or upon the discretion of the Hearing Officer.

On a motion from William Hamilton, seconded by Kim Hubbard the Commission voted unanimously to approve the agreed order presented.


XIV. Adjournment

On a motion by James Creel, seconded by Kim Hubbard, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn at 10:37 AM.

Approved:



David Martin, Chair
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Cory Murphy, Ph.D., Executive Secretary
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