

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
October 4, 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 1:00 p.m. on October 4, 2023, in Senator Grey Ferris Board Room 4th Floor, 359 N. West Street, Jackson, MS 39201.

Members in Attendance: Dr. Teresa Poole, Etta Taplin, Dr. Shelly Simmons
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:
Lisa Morgan, Educator
Travis Gulley, Applicant

Matters before the Subcommittee:

I. Agreed Orders

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

- A. Kimberly Meeks, Educator license No. 328242, Standard 10
- B. De’Andre Ollie, Educator License No. 326159, Standard 10
- C. Tameka Johnson, Educator License No. 201233, Standard 10

- D. Catherine Edwards, Educator License No. 326347, Standard 10
- E. Delancy Bridges, Educator License No. 170813, Standard 10
- F. Katherine Quinnelly, Educator License No. 316702, Standard 10

Following the Presentation by OEM, Etta Taplin moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee accept and ratify the proposed Agreed Orders. Dr. Shelly Simmons seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to accept and ratify the above listed matters.

II. Case of Lisa Morgan, Educator License No. 157367

Jonathan Dennis, legal advisor to the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 9:29 a.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Etta Taplin made a motion to go into closed session. Dr. Shelly Simmons seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into closed session. Etta Taplin 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. Dr. Shelly Simmons seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following people remained in the room: Dr. Teresa Poole, Etta Taplin, Dr. Shelly Simmons, and Jonathan Dennis.

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

Etta Taplin moved that the Commission hearing Subcommittee grant the reinstatement of Mississippi Educator License No. 157367 for Lisa Morgan. Dr. Shelly Simmons seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously approved the processing and issuance of Respondent's license.

On a motion by Etta Taplin, seconded by Dr. Shelly Simmons, 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 10:27 a.m.

III. Case of Travis Gully, Educator License Application No. 410985

Jonathan Dennis, legal advisor to the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 10:47 a.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Etta Taplin made a motion to go into closed session. Dr. Shelly Simmons seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into closed session. Etta Taplin 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. Dr. Shelly Simmons seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following people remained in the room: Dr. Teresa Poole, Etta Taplin, Dr. Shelly Simmons, and Jonathan Dennis.

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

Etta Taplin moved that the Commission hearing Subcommittee grant the processing of Mississippi Educator License Application No. 410985 for Travis Gully. Dr. Shelly Simmons seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously approved the processing and issuance of Respondent's license.

On a motion by Etta Taplin, seconded by Dr. Shelly Simmons, 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 11:28 a.m.

IV. Adjournment.

On a motion by Etta Taplin, seconded by Dr. Shelly Simmons, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to adjourn for the day at 11:28 a.m.

Approved:

Teresa Poole

Dr. Teresa Poole, Subcommittee Chair
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Cory Murphy, Ph.D., Executive Secretary
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