

Minutes of the
Commission on School Accreditation
Teleconference Meeting
359 North West Street
Jackson, Mississippi
June 3, 2021
10:00 a.m.

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission on School Accreditation (CSA or Commission) took place at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 3, 2021, via teleconference.

# Attending via teleconference:

Roy Gill, Chair – Gulfport, MS
Kelle Barfield – San Francisco, CA
Lori Brechtel – Brandon, MS
Brian Harvey – Oxford, MS
Pamela Manners – Biloxi, MS
Dr. Valencia Martin – Greenwood, MS
Aisha Maxwell – Olive Branch, MS
John Mistilis – Springer Mountain, GA
Anthony Montgomery – Gulfport, MS
Brett Robinson – Clinton, MS
Brad Stevens – Amory, MS
Jan Vaughn - Greenville, MS

Members absent: Jefferson Hughes Ingrid Williams

The Mississippi Department of Education (MDE), Office of Accreditation staff members/representatives present included:

Dr. Paula A. Vanderford, Chief Accountability Officer Dr. Jo Ann Malone, Executive Secretary Dr. Jackie Sampsell, Office of Student Assessment Melissa Biggs, Office of Accreditation Chris Haynes, Office of Accreditation Shulawnda Johnson, Office of Accreditation Angela Kitchens, Office of Accreditation

Erin Meyer, Special Assistant Attorney General, served as legal counsel to the Commission.

### I. Call to Order

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Roy Gill, Chair of the CSA, opened the Commission meeting and conducted a roll-call of the Commission members.

Mr. Gill announced that a quorum of the Commission existed.

Mr. Gill called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

## II. Adoption of Agenda

On a motion by Brian Harvey, seconded by Anthony Montgomery, the Commission unanimously approved the agenda.

III. Action: Approval of the minutes of the April 1, 2021 Meeting of the Commission on School Accreditation

On a motion by Pamela Manners seconded by Brian Harvey, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2021 meeting.

IV. Discussion: Consideration of request to revise Miss. Admin. Code: 7-24, *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards*, 2020, specifically Process Standard 14.3 and Appendices A-10 and A-11.

Dr. Jackie Sampsell presented the proposed changes to the Commission members.

V. Action: Approval to submit request to the State Board of Education to begin the Administrative Procedures Act (APA) process to revise Miss. Admin. Code: 7-24, Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2020, specifically Process Standard 14.3 and Appendices A-10 and A-11.

On a motion by Kelle Barfield, seconded by Anthony Montgomery, the Commission voted unanimously to submit a request to the State Board of Education to begin the Administrative Procedures Act (APA) process to revise Miss. Admin. Code: 7-24, *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards*, 2020, specifically Process Standard 14.3 and Appendices A-10 and A-11.

VI. Action: Consideration of request by the Stone County School District for a waiver of Process Standard 2.1 for the 2021 – 2022 school year

On a motion by Anthony Montgomery, seconded by Kelle Barfield, the Commission voted unanimously to grant a waiver of Process Standard 2.1 to the Stone County School District for the 2021 - 2022 school year.

VII. Action: Election of the 2021-2022 Chair and Vice-Chair of the Commission on the School Accreditation

- **A.** Upon the nomination by Roy Gill, with no others nominated, the Commission unanimously voted to elect Pamela Manners as the Chair of the Commission on School Accreditation for 2021 2022.
- **B.** Upon the nomination by Anthony Montgomery, with no others nominated, the Commission unanimously voted to elect Dr. Valencia Martin as the Vice-Chair of the Commission on School Accreditation for 2021 2022.

# VIII. Action: Approval of meeting dates of the Commission on School Accreditation for the 2020-2021 school year

On a motion by Kelle Barfield, seconded by Dr. Valencia Martin, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the meeting dates of the Commission on School Accreditation for the 2020-2021 school year:

August 5, 2021 October 7, 2021 December 2, 2021 February 3, 2022 April 7, 2022 June 2, 2022

### IX. Other Business

Roy Gill reminded the Commission that the next regularly scheduled meeting will be Thursday, August 5, 2021.

# X. Adjournment

On a motion by John Mistilis, seconded by Brad Stevens, the Commission unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 a.m.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:

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Chair of the Commission

Executive Secretary of the Commission