Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development
Teleconference Meeting
September 11, 2020
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, September 11, 2020 via teleconference.

Members Attending via Teleconference:

Kenny Goza  John Howard  Rilla Jones
Dr. Bernell Kelly  David Martin  Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson
Dr. Susan McClelland  Dr. Cindy Melton  Lisa Reeves-Guice
Rebecca Skinner-Gray  Etta Taplin

Members Absent:

Dr. Patrick Gray  William Hamilton  Mary Hill-Shular

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

Dr. Debra Burson  Brian McGairty  Mary-Catherine McGregor
Dr. Cory Murphy  Dr. Paula Vanderford  Courtney Van Cleve

Special Assistant Attorney General Attending via Teleconference:

Erin Meyer

I. Call to Order

Kenny Goza called the meeting to order on Friday, September 11, 2020 at 10:05 a.m. The meeting took via teleconference.

II. Establishment of a Quorum

Kenny Goza Present, via teleconference, Wesson, MS
Dr. Patrick Gray Absent
William Hamilton Absent
Mary Hill-Shular Absent
John Howard Present, via teleconference, Clarksdale, MS
Rilla Jones Present, via teleconference, Tupelo, MS
Dr. Bernell Kelly Present, via teleconference, Gulfport, MS
III. Approval of the minutes of the July 10, 2020 Meeting of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development

On a motion by Etta Taplin, seconded by Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Commission minutes for the July 10, 2020 meeting of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development.

Members voting aye:

Kenny Goza                John Howard                Rilla Jones
Dr. Bernell Kelly        David Martin                Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson
Dr. Susan McClelland     Dr. Cindy Melton             Lisa Reeves-Guice
Rebecca Skinner-Gray     Etta Taplin

Members abstaining: None

Members voting nay: None

Members absent:

Dr. Patrick Gray         William Hamilton           Mary Hill-Shular

IV. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes of July 22 2020

On a motion by David Martin, seconded by Lisa Reeves-Guice, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the subcommittee minutes for July 2, 2020.

Members voting aye:

Kenny Goza                John Howard                Rilla Jones
Dr. Bernell Kelly        David Martin                Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson
Dr. Susan McClelland     Dr. Cindy Melton             Lisa Reeves-Guice
Rebecca Skinner-Gray     Etta Taplin

Members abstaining: None

Members voting nay: None

Members absent:
V. **Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes of August 26, 2020**

Due to the absence of Dr. Patrick Gray, item tabled until the November 6, 2020 Licensure Commission meeting

VI. **Adoption of the Agenda**

On a motion by David Martin, seconded by Etta Taplin the Commission voted unanimously to approve the adoption of the agenda.

Members voting aye:

Kenny Goza    John Howard    Rilla Jones
Dr. Bernell Kelly    David Martin    Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson
Dr. Susan McClelland    Dr. Cindy Melton    Lisa Reeves-Guice
Rebecca Skinner-Gray    Etta Taplin

Members abstaining: None

Members voting nay: None

Members absent:

Dr. Patrick Gray    William Hamilton    Mary Hill-Shular

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

Dr. Cory Murphy presented an update regarding the scheduling of the Licensure Commission annual retreat. It was decided that, with at least seven Commission members having a term that ends in December 2020 (two who will be leaving following completion of their second term in December 2020 and five who will be deciding whether to return for a second term after December 2020), the retreat will be postponed until January 2021. This will allow for both the retreat and orientation of new Commission members at the same time.

Dr. Cory Murphy stated he was sharing his time with Dr. Cindy Melton to allow an update on MACTE awards.

Dr. Cindy Melton reported that the MACTE awards was held as a virtual ceremony for 2020. The video of the ceremony will be released for the public to view Monday or Tuesday (September 14 or September 15, 2020). The video will be shared via the MACTE website and twitter account, along with a link for each institution to share to their website, social media, etc… The ceremony recognized 45 outstanding teacher interns, educators, and administrators from around the state of Mississippi.

Dr. Cindy Melton also stated tht MACTE will be looking at a proposal for an elementary education endorsement in the near future.
VIII. Discussion and/or approval of Mississippi State University’s request to modify an existing Elementary Education Program by adding TECH 4763 Digital Tools for 21st Century Teaching and Learning and EPY 4103 Behavior Analysis for Behavior Technicians and removing EDF 333 Social Foundations and EDF 3423 Exploring Diversity Through Writing. (Dr. Kenneth Anthony/Dr. Donna Shea)

On a motion by Dr. Susan McClelland, seconded by Dr. Bernell Kelly, the Commission voted unanimously to approve Mississippi State University’s request to modify an existing Elementary Education Program by adding TECH 4763 Digital Tools for 21st Century Teaching and Learning and EPY 4103 Behavior Analysis for Behavior Technicians and removing EDF 333 Social Foundations and EDF 3423 Exploring Diversity Through Writing.

Members voting aye:

Kenny Goza         John Howard         Rilla Jones
Dr. Bernell Kelly  David Martin      Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson
Dr. Susan McClelland Dr. Cindy Melton Lisa Reeves-Guice
Rebecca Skinner-Gray Etta Taplin

Members abstaining: None

Members voting nay: None

Members absent:

Dr. Patrick Gray       William Hamilton       Mary Hill-Shular

IX. Discussion and/or approval of Mississippi State University’s request to modify an existing Elementary Education Program/Middle School Concentration, by removing two (2) three-hour content courses and replacing them with a three-hour elementary education elective and choice between EDE 3343 Teaching Adolescent Literature and EDE 3233 Teaching Literature at the Elementary and Middle Level or another education course not required in the degree (Dr. Kenneth Anthony/Dr. Donna Shea)

On a motion by Rilla Jones, seconded by David Martin, the Commission voted unanimously to approve Mississippi State University’s request to modify an existing Elementary Education Program/Middle School Concentration, by removing two (2) three-hour content courses and replacing them with a three-hour elementary education elective and choice between EDE 3343 Teaching Adolescent Literature and EDE 3233 Teaching Literature at the Elementary and Middle Level or another education course not required in the degree.

Members voting aye:
Kenny Goza       John Howard       Rilla Jones
Dr. Bernell Kelly  David Martin   Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson
Dr. Susan McClelland  Dr. Cindy Melton   Lisa Reeves-Guice
Rebecca Skinner-Gray  Etta Taplin

Members abstaining: None
Members voting nay: None
Members absent:

Dr. Patrick Gray       William Hamilton       Mary Hill-Shular

X. Discussion and/or approval of Tougaloo College’s request to modify an existing Elementary Education Program by removing four (4) courses; EDU 221 Foundations of Education, EDU 335 Methods, Materials & Technology, EDU 421 Curriculum Research, and ELA 351 Methods of Teaching Language Arts; modifying course titles within the curriculum; and cross-listing EDU 252 with EDU 252/SPED 252 Classroom Management and Behavioral Intervention with reduction of hours from 148 to 138 (Dr. Thea Williams-Black)

On a motion by Dr. Bernell Kelly, seconded by Etta Taplin, the Commission voted unanimously to approve Tougaloo College’s request to modify an existing Elementary Education Program by removing four (4) courses; EDU 221 Foundations of Education, EDU 335 Methods, Materials & Technology, EDU 421 Curriculum Research, and ELA 351 Methods of Teaching Language Arts; modifying course titles within the curriculum; and cross-listing EDU 252 with EDU 252/SPED 252 Classroom Management and Behavioral Intervention with reduction of hours from 148 to 138

Members voting aye:

Kenny Goza       John Howard       Rilla Jones
Dr. Bernell Kelly  David Martin   Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson
Dr. Susan McClelland  Dr. Cindy Melton   Lisa Reeves-Guice
Rebecca Skinner-Gray  Etta Taplin

Members abstaining: None
Members voting nay: None
Members absent:

Dr. Patrick Gray       William Hamilton       Mary Hill-Shular

XI. Discussion and/or approval of the University of Southern Mississippi’s request to modify an existing World Languages program by removing REF 400 Foundation of Education thus making a reduction in hours from 124 to 120 (Dr. Noal Cochran)
On a motion by Rilla Jones, seconded by David Martin, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the University of Southern Mississippi’s request to modify an existing World Languages program by removing REF 400 Foundation of Education thus making a reduction in hours from 124 to 120

Members voting aye:

Kenny Goza  John Howard  Rilla Jones  
Dr. Bernell Kelly  David Martin  Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson  
Dr. Susan McClelland  Dr. Cindy Melton  Lisa Reeves-Guice  
Rebecca Skinner-Gray  Etta Taplin  

Members abstaining: None

Members voting nay: None

Members absent:

Dr. Patrick Gray  William Hamilton  Mary Hill-Shular

**XII. Discussion and/or approval of the University of Southern Mississippi’s request to modify an existing Elementary Education program by reducing the number of hours from 124 to 121 (Dr. Noal Cochran)**

On a motion by Lisa Reeves-Guice, seconded by John Howard, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the University of Southern Mississippi’s request to modify an existing Elementary Education program by reducing the number of hours from 124 to 121

Members voting aye:

Kenny Goza  John Howard  Rilla Jones  
Dr. Bernell Kelly  David Martin  Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson  
Dr. Susan McClelland  Dr. Cindy Melton  Lisa Reeves-Guice  
Rebecca Skinner-Gray  Etta Taplin  

Members abstaining: None

Members voting nay: None

Members absent:

Dr. Patrick Gray  William Hamilton  Mary Hill-Shular

**XIII. Discussion and/or approval of William Carey University’s request for implementation of a new 12-hour STEM Supplemental Endorsement Program (983)**
approved coursework for pre-service students and graduate level teachers in Elementary & Secondary Education (Dr. Katie Tonore)

On a motion by Dr. Bernell Kelly seconded by David Martin, the Commission voted unanimously to approve William Carey University’s request for implementation of a new 12-hour STEM Supplemental Endorsement Program (983) approved coursework for pre-service students and graduate level teachers in Elementary & Secondary Education

Members voting aye:

Kenny Goza  John Howard  Rilla Jones
Dr. Bernell Kelly  David Martin  Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson
Dr. Susan McClelland  Dr. Cindy Melton  Lisa Reeves-Guice
Rebecca Skinner-Gray  Etta Taplin

Members abstaining: None

Members voting nay: None

Members absent:

Dr. Patrick Gray  William Hamilton  Mary Hill-Shular

XIV. Discussion and/or approval of ratifications of agreed orders and/or voluntary surrenders (Mr. Brian McGairty)

Mr. Brian McGairty announced that there were no agreed orders or voluntary surrenders to report to the Licensure Commission at this time.

XIII. Other Business

There was not additional business to be discussed.

XXVI. Adjournment

On a motion by David Martin, seconded by Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:28 a.m.

Members voting aye:

Kenny Goza  John Howard  Rilla Jones
Dr. Bernell Kelly  David Martin  Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson
Dr. Susan McClelland  Dr. Cindy Melton  Lisa Reeves-Guice
Rebecca Skinner-Gray  Etta Taplin

Members abstaining: None
Members voting nay: None

Members absent:

Dr. Patrick Gray  William Hamilton  Mary Hill-Shular

Approved:

Kenny Goza, Chair
Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development

Cory Murphy, Ph.D., Executive Secretary
Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development