

Subcommittee for the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education,
Certification and Licensure and Development
4th Floor Board Room, Central High School
359 N. West Street, Jackson, MS 39201
March 5, 2021

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 11:30 a.m. on March 5, 2021, in Senator Grey Farris Board Room on the 4th Floor, Central High School, 359 N. West Street, Jackson, MS 39201.

Members in Attendance: Debra Mays-Jackson, Jamie Creel, and Kim Hubbard
Commission Counsel: Erin Meyer, Special Assistant Attorney General

OEM Counsel: David Minton, Special Assistant Attorney General

Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Personnel Attending:
Brian McGairty, Director for Office of Educator Misconduct (OEM)
Tilla Tate, Investigator OEM
Kristina Oxendine, Administrative Assistant OEM

Matters before the Subcommittee:

I. Educator License No. 202487, Leonardo Thompson.

Dr. Debra Mays Jackson, serving as presiding officer for the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 11.34 a.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Jamie Creel moved that the subcommittee go into closed session to determine the necessity to go into executive session. Kim Hubbard seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into closed session.

Kim Hubbard moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee go into executive session for deliberation and findings concerning the license of the above identified Educator. Jamie Creel seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following individuals remained in the room: Debra Mays-Jackson, Jamie Creel, Kim Hubbard, and Erin Meyer.

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

Kim Hubbard moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee grant the Petitioner’s request for processing of Educator License No. 202487. Upon the review

of the Petitioner's application, if the Office of Educator License finds the Petitioner meets the qualifications as required in law and policy for the issuance of an Educator License, upon receipt of his educator license, the Petitioner will be immediately placed on probation for one year. During his probationary year, the Petitioner at his own expense, shall complete a minimum of three (3) hours of coursework from an accredited university in educator ethics. Petitioner shall submit proof of successful completion of said coursework to the Office of Educator Misconduct on or before March 4, 2022. Failure to submit proof of said coursework shall result in immediate suspension of the Petitioner's License No. **202487** without the necessity of a hearing for a period of two (2) years. Jamie Creel seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously approved the processing of Educator License No. **202487**, placing the educator immediately on probation with conditions.

On a motion by Jamie Creel, seconded by Kim Hubbard, 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.

The presiding officer pronounced the conclusion of the hearing at 1:47 a.m.

II. Case of Crystal Barnes, Educator License No. 167725

Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson, serving as presiding officer for the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at approximately 1:57 p.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Jamie Creel moved that the subcommittee go into closed session to determine the necessity to go into executive session. Kim Hubbard seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into closed session.

Jamie Creel moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee go into executive session for deliberation and findings concerning the license of the above identified Educator. Kim Hubbard seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following individuals remained in the room: Debra Mays-Jackson, Jamie Creel, Kim Hubbard, and Erin Meyer.

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

Kim Hubbard moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee grant the Petitioner's request for reinstatement of Educator License No. 167725 currently surrendered and previously issued to Crystal Barnes. Jamie Creel seconded the motion and the Commission's Hearing Subcommittee unanimously granted the Petitioner's

request for reinstatement of Educator License No. **167725** currently surrendered and previously issued to Crystal Barnes.

On a motion by Jamie Creel, seconded by Kim Hubbard, 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.

The presiding officer pronounced the conclusion of the hearing at 2:47 p.m.

III. Case of Barbara Young, Educator License No. 172226

Debra Mays-Jackson, serving as presiding officer for the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at approximately 2:50 p.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Jamie Creel moved that the subcommittee go into closed session to determine the necessity to go into executive session. Kim Hubbard seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into closed session.

Jamie Creel moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee go into executive session for deliberation and findings concerning the license of the above identified Educator. Kim Hubbard seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following individuals remained in the room: Debra Mays-Jackson, Jamie Creel, Kim Hubbard, and Erin Meyer.

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

Jamie Creel moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee grant the Petitioner's request for reinstatement of Educator License No. **172226** currently suspended and previously issued to Barbara Young. Kim Hubbard seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously approved the reinstatement of Educator License No. **172226**.

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

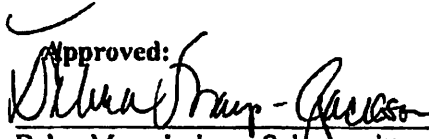
In open session, counsel read the decision of the Commission Hearing Subcommittee to the participants.

The presiding officer pronounced the conclusion of the hearing at 4:04 p.m.

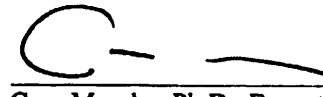
V. Adjournment.

On a motion by Jamie Creel seconded by Kim Hubbard, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to adjourn for the day at 4:04 p.m.

Approved:

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Debra Mays-Jackson, Subcommittee Chair
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Cory Murphy, Ph.D., Executive Secretary
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