# Subcommittee for the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development South Pointe Business Park 500 Clinton Center Drive, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Multi-purpose Room Clinton, MS 9:00 a.m. July 21, 2016

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 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 21, 2016, in the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Multi-purpose Room of the South Pointe Business Park located at 500 Clinton Center Drive, Clinton, MS.

Members in Attendance: Pamela Manners, Corey Welch, and Debra Mays-Jackson

Commission Counsel: Erin Meyer, Special Assistant Attorney General

## Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Personnel Attending:

Michael C. Martin, Director of Office of Educator Misconduct (OEM) James Thompson, Office of Educator Misconduct Investigator Chad Callender, Office of Educator Misconduct Investigator Joseph A. Runnels, Special Assistant Attorney General, Counsel to OEM

### Other Individuals in Attendance:

Edwin Norwood, Educator Preston "Bo" Rideout, Counsel to Edwin Norwood

### I. Case of Edwin Norwood Educator License No.: 187687

Pamela Manners, serving as presiding officer for the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 9:22 a.m.

The Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act prohibits educational agencies from disclosing student's personally identifiable information without parental permission. Based on argument from Joseph Runnels, counsel for the Office of Educator Misconduct and Preston Rideout, Counsel for the Respondent, the Commission considered going into executive session to prevent the release of student information. Debra Mays-Jackson moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee consider going into executive session, which Corey Welch seconded, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to consider going into executive session.

Debra Mays-Jackson moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee go into executive session to prevent the release of student information. Corey Welch seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following individuals remained in the room: Pamela

Manners, Debra Mays-Jackson, Corey Welch, Erin Meyer, Joseph Runnels, James Thompson, Michael C. Martin, Chad Callender, Edwin Norwood, Preston Rideout, and the Court Reporter.

At 11:05 a.m., the Commission Hearing Subcommittee took a recess.

At 11:11 a.m., the Commission Hearing Subcommittee resumed this matter.

At 12:16 p.m., the Commission Hearing Subcommittee took a recess.

At 1:00 p.m., the Commission Hearing Subcommittee resumed this matter.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Debra Mays-Jackson moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee change the purpose of remaining in executive session to deliberation and findings concerning the License of Educator Edwin Norwood. Corey Welch seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session.

Debra Mays-Jackson moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee suspend for two (2) years, License No. 187687 held by Edwin Norwood based on the violation of Miss Code Ann. § 37-3-2(13)(a), Miss. Code Ann. § 37-9-57, violations of local school district policy, and violations of the Mississippi Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct. Additionally, that prior to petitioning the Commission for reinstatement, the Respondent, at his own expense, shall complete a minimum of one (1) seminar or course work related to anger management and shall submit proof of his attendance and successful completion of the required course of study. Pamela Manners seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to suspend for two (2) years License No. 187687.

On a motion by Pamela Manners, seconded by Debra Mays-Jackson, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to come out of executive session.

# II. Adjournment

The hearing adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

Approved:

Pamela Manners, Subcommittee Chair Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and

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Paula Vanderford, Ph.D., Executive Secretary

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