

Subcommittee for the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education,
Certification and Licensure and Development
Room 102, Central High School
359 N. West Street, Jackson, MS 39201
October 28, 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 9:00 p.m. on October 28, 2021, in the Room 102, Central High School, 359 N. West Street, Jackson, MS 39201.

Members in Attendance: Dr. Shelly Simmons, Dr. Teresa Jayroe, and Dr. Teresa Poole
Commission Counsel: Hawley Robertson, Special Assistant Attorney General

OEM Counsel: David Minton, Special Assistant Attorney General

Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Personnel Attending:
Scott DeJong, Director for Office of Educator Misconduct (OEM)
Tilla Tate, Licensed Investigator for OEM
Anissa Stubbs, Administrative Assistant for OEM

Others in Attendance:
Lisa Langley, Respondent
Dr. Delesicia Martin, Superintendent Hinds County School District
Nicole Langham, Exceptional Services Hinds County School District

Matters before the Subcommittee:

I. Agreed Orders

Dr. Shelly Simmons, serving as presiding officer for the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 9:15 a.m.

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

- A. Cotina Thomas, License No. 321102, Standard 10, Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2(12)(a)
- B. Kesondra Branch, License No. 223547, Standard 10, Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2(12)(a)
- C. Monday Bass, License No. 322411, Standard 10, Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2(12)(a)
- D. William Chatham, License No. 96519, Standard 4

Following the presentation by OEM, Dr. Teresa Jayroe moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee accept and ratify the proposed Agreed Orders. Dr. Teresa Poole

seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to accept and ratify the above listed matters.

This matter concluded at 9:21 a.m.

II. Case of Lisa Langley, Educator License No. 187307

Hawley Robertson, legal advisor to the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 9:24 a.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Dr. Teresa Jayroe moved that the subcommittee go into closed session to determine the necessity to go into executive session. Dr. Teresa Poole seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into closed session.

Dr. Teresa Jayroe moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee go into executive session for deliberation and findings concerning the license of the above identified Educator. Dr. Teresa Poole seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following individuals remained in the room: Dr. Shelly Simmons, Dr. Teresa Jayroe, Dr. Teresa Poole, and Hawley Robertson.

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

The evidence is clear and convincing that the Respondent violated Standards 1, 2, 8, and 9 as enumerated in the Complaint. Dr. Teresa Jayroe moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee suspend the Respondent's Educator License No. 187307 for five (5) years from the date of this hearing. During her five (5) year suspension, the Respondent, at her own expense, shall take a minimum of two (2) three-hour courses, one dealing with teacher ethics and professionalism and a second course on special education law, and she shall submit proof of attendance and successful completion of the required courses of study to the Office of Educator Misconduct before applying for reinstatement. Further, the Respondent shall submit to a mental health evaluation from a licensed professional that evaluates her fitness to perform her duties under her teacher's license, and she shall provide proof that this licensed professional finds the Respondent fit to perform the duties required under an educator license to the Office of Educator Misconduct before applying for reinstatement. After the conclusion of the term of suspension, successful completion of the required courses and mental health evaluation, the Respondent may petition for a reinstatement hearing of her educator license pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2 (14)(a) and the Rules of Procedure Governing Disciplinary Proceedings of the Commission.

The Commission, in its discretion, may reinstate the Respondent's educator licensure only by a majority vote of all members of the Commission present at the meeting called for that purpose upon the Respondent's satisfactory showing of evidence of

good character, good mental, emotional and physical health, rehabilitation, and evidence and/or testimony that demonstrates her rehabilitation and fitness to satisfactorily perform the duties of her educator license.

On a motion by Dr. Teresa Jayroe, seconded by Dr. Teresa Poole, 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 legal advisor pronounced the conclusion of the hearing at 3:51 p.m.

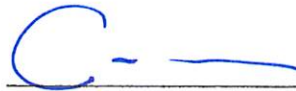
III. Adjournment.

On a motion by Dr. Teresa Jayroe, seconded by Dr. Teresa Poole, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to adjourn for the day at 3:52 p.m.

Approved:



Dr. Shelly Simmons, Subcommittee Chair
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Cory Murphy, Ph.D., Executive Secretary
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