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 9:30 a.m.

November 27, 2018

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 9:30 a.m. on November 27, 2018 in Room 102, located at Central High School, 359 N. West Street, Jackson, MS 39201.

Members in Attendance: Commission Counsel:

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Cindy Melton, Cory Welch, Mary Hill Shular Erin Meyer, Special Assistant Attorney General

Leah Kathryn Anzenberger, Special Assistant Attorney General

Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Personnel Attending:

Michael C. Martin, Interim Director for Office of Educator Misconduct (OEM) Joseph A. Runnels, Special Assistant Attorney General, Counsel to OEM LaKisha Walker, Office of Teaching and Leading Whitney Young, Office of Teaching and Leading

Other Individuals Attending:

Ray Carlock, Superintendent for Brookhaven School District

Byron Garner, Educator

I. Case of Gabrielle Shaffer Barnes, Educator License 2254796

Cindy Melton, serving as presiding officer for the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 9:40 a.m.

The Commission Hearing Subcommittee took a recess at 10:19 a.m.

The Commission Hearing Subcommittee resumed at 10:30 a.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Cory Welch, moved to consider going into executive session. Mary Hill Shular seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to consider going into executive session.

Cory Welch moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee go into executive session for deliberation and findings concerning the license of Educator, Gabrielle Shaffer Barnes. Mary Hill Shular seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee

unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following individuals remained in the room: Erin Meyer, Cindy Melton, Cory Welch, Mary Hill Shular.

On a motion by Mary Hill Shular seconded by Cory Welch, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to come out of executive session.

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

Mary Hill Shular moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee suspend Educator License No. 254796 held by Gabrielle Shaffer Barnes for a period of one (1) school year, specifically the 2019-2020 school year, based on the violation of Miss Code Ann. §§ 37-3-2(12)(a) and 37-9-57, and Standard 10.a. of the Mississippi Educator Code of Ethics Standards of Conduct. Upon the submission of a licensure reinstatement application, this license shall be reinstated at the end of the suspension period in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2(14)(a) without the necessity of a hearing. Cory Welch seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to suspend License No. 254796 held by Gabrielle Shaffer Barnes for a period of one (1) school year, specifically the 2019-2020 school year.

On a Motion by Mary Hill Shular, seconded by Cory Welch, this Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously adjourned this hearing at 10:52 a.m.

II. Case of Byron Garner, Educator License

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Cindy Melton, serving as presiding officer for the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 10:57 a.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Cory Welch, moved to consider going into executive session. Mary Hill Shular seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to consider going into executive session.

Mary Hill Shular moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee go into executive session for deliberation and findings concerning the license of Educator, Byron Garner. Cory Welch seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following individuals remained in the room: Leah Kathryn Anzenberger, Cindy Melton, Cory Welch, Mary Hill Shular.

On a motion by Cory Welch, seconded by Mary Hill Shular, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to come out of executive session. At 12:55 p.m.

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

Mary Hill Shular moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee deny the Petitioner's request for reinstatement of educator license no. 193606, currently suspended and previously issued to Byron Garner because, while the Petitioner furnished proof of completion of a three-hour credit course work related to ethical student/teacher relationships from an accredited university and an employee <u>observation</u> from his current employer, the Petitioner failed to furnish proof of completion of a three-hour credit course in classroom management and an employee <u>evaluation</u> from his current employer as required by the July 26, 2017 Notice of Commission Action. Prior to petitioning the Commission for reinstatement, the Petitioner at his own expense, shall submit evidence of successful completion of a three-hour credit course in Classroom management from an accredited university and submit an updated employee evaluation from his current employer. The Petitioner may resubmit his application immediately upon completing the requirements set forth above. Cory Welch seconded the motion and requirements, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to deny the Petitioner's request for reinstatement.

III. Case of Samuel Kealhofer, Educator License No. 272829

Cindy Melton, serving as presiding officer for the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 1:11 p.m.

Michael C. Martin, Interim Director of the Office of Educator Misconduct requested the acceptance and ratification of an agreed order for the following educator:

Samuel Kealhofer, Educator License No. 272829 (violation of Standard 6, relinquished for one year from November 27, 2018 (until November 26, 2019)

Cory Welch moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee accept and ratify the agreed order. Mary Hill Shular seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to accept and ratify the agreed order.

IV. Adjournment

On a Motion by Mary Hill Shular, seconded by Cory Welch the Commission Hearing Subcommittee concluded and adjourned at 1:13 p.m.

Approved:

Cindy Melton Subcommittee 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