



**Minutes of the
Commission on School Accreditation
Special-called Teleconference Work Session
Central High School Building
Senator Gray Ferris Board Room
359 North West Street
Jackson, Mississippi
July 20, 2021
10:00 a.m.**

The special-called work session of the Commission on School Accreditation (CSA or Commission) took place at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 via teleconference. The public was invited to attend in the Senator Gray Ferris Board Room of the Central High School Building, 359 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi. Commission members in attendance via teleconference included:

Pamela Manners, Chair – Biloxi, MS
Dr. Carla Evers, Pass Christian, MS
Dr. Lundy Brantley, Philadelphia, MS
Lori Brechtel, Brandon, MS
Dr. Valencia Martin¹, Greenwood, MS
Aisha Maxwell, Olive Branch, MS
Brett Robinson, Clinton, MS
Jan Vaughn, Biloxi, MS
Sarah Wansley, Ellisville, MS

The following members did not attend:

Kelle Barfield
Grant Dickinson
Reginald Goins
Jefferson Hughes
Brad Stevens
Ingrid Williams

The Mississippi Department of Education (MDE), Office of Accreditation staff members/representatives present included:

Dr. Jo Ann Malone, Executive Director/Executive Secretary Office of Accreditation
Melissa Biggs, Office of Accreditation
Chris Haynes, Office of Accreditation
Angela Kitchens, Office of Accreditation
Mr. Alan Burrow, Executive Director, Office of District and School Performance,

Erin Meyer, Special Assistant Attorney General, served as legal counsel to the Commission.

¹ Dr. Martin was not in attendance during the roll-call but joined the call at 10:08 a.m.

I. Announcement of Quorum and Call to Order

Pamela Manners, Chair of the CSA, opened the Commission meeting and conducted a roll-call of the Commission members.

Ms. Manners announced that a quorum of the Commission existed.

Ms. Manners called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

II. Adoption of Agenda

Ms. Manners asked the Commission members to review the agenda they received previously. On a motion by Dr. Carla Evers, seconded by Dr. Lundy Brantley, the Commission unanimously approved the agenda.

III. Opening Remarks and Introductions

Dr. Malone asked the newly appointed Commission members (Dr. Brantley, Dr. Evers, and Ms. Wansley) in attendance at the meeting to introduce themselves.

IV. Accreditation Policies and Procedures

Dr. Malone's presentation consisted of a review of the role and responsibilities of the Commission on School Accreditation and the Office of Accreditation as well as Accreditation Policies and Procedures.

V. Mississippi Statewide Accountability System

Mr. Alan Burrow, Executive Director, Office of District and School Performance, presented an overview of the Mississippi Statewide Accountability System.

IV. Adjournment


On a motion by Dr. Lundy Brantley, seconded by Sarah Wansley, the Commission unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:22 a.m.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION:

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Chair of the Commission


Executive Secretary of the Commission