

OFFICE OF CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
December 18-19, 2014

OFFICE OF EDUCATOR QUALITY

19. Discussion of approval to replace the Chair of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development as required by MS Code 37-3-2 (Todd Ivey)

Background Information:

MS Code 37-3-2 establishes the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development (the Commission) shall be composed of 15 qualified members. The purpose and duty of the Commission is to make recommendations to the State Board of Education regarding standards for the certification and licensure and continuing professional development of those who teach or perform tasks of an educational nature in the public schools of Mississippi. All appointments shall be made by the State Board of Education after consultation with the State Superintendent of Public Education. The State Board of Education, when making appointments, shall designate a chairman. The appointment is recommended in accordance with the internal operating policies of the Commission and Mississippi Code 37-3-2(2).

Recommendations for Appointment

Chairman
Dr. Cindy Melton

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

**TITLE 37. EDUCATION
CHAPTER 3. STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2 (2014)

§ 37-3-2. Certification of teachers and administrators

(1) There is established within the State Department of Education the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development. It shall be the purpose and duty of the commission to make recommendations to the State Board of Education regarding standards for the certification and licensure and continuing professional development of those who teach or perform tasks of an educational nature in the public schools of Mississippi.

(2) The commission shall be composed of fifteen (15) qualified members. The membership of the commission shall be composed of the following members to be appointed, three (3) from each congressional district: four (4) classroom teachers; three (3) school administrators; one (1) representative of schools of education of institutions of higher learning located within the state to be recommended by the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning; one (1) representative from the schools of education of independent institutions of higher learning to be recommended by the Board of the Mississippi Association of Independent Colleges; one (1) representative from public community and junior colleges located within the state to be recommended by the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges; one (1) local school board member; and four (4) laypersons. All appointments shall be made by the State Board of Education after consultation with the State Superintendent of Public Education. The first appointments by the State Board of Education shall be made as follows: five (5) members shall be appointed for a term of one (1) year; five (5) members shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years; and five (5) members shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years. Thereafter, all members shall be appointed for a term of four (4) years.

(3) The State Board of Education when making appointments shall designate a chairman. The commission shall meet at least once every two (2) months or more often if needed. Members of the commission shall be compensated at a rate of per diem as authorized by Section 25-3-69 and be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses as authorized by Section 25-3-41.

(4) (a) An appropriate staff member of the State Department of Education shall be designated and assigned by the State Superintendent of Public Education to serve as executive secretary and coordinator for the commission. No less than two (2) other appropriate staff members of the State Department of Education shall be designated and assigned by the State Superintendent of Public Education to serve on the staff of the commission.

Certification Commission Members 2014-2015

| District 1 | District 2 | District 3 | District 4 | District 5 |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Donna Green Loden | Dr. Cindy Melton | Marilyn McMillan | Kenny Goza | Pamela Manners |
| Dr. Angela Rutherford | Robin Herrington | Liz Michael | Doris Perkins | Kelly G. Fuller |
| Vacant | Dr. Debra Mays- Jackson | Dr. Jamillah Longino | Shannon Doughty | Brian Pearse |

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Educational Preparation

December 2002 **Ph. D.** in Educational Leadership, Emphasis in K-12 Administration
University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS

August 1996 **M. Ed.** in Elementary Education, K-8
Gifted Education Certification, K-12
Mississippi College, Clinton, MS

May 1994 **B.S. Ed.** in Elementary Education, K-8
Remedial Reading Certification K-12
Mississippi College, Clinton, MS

May 1990 **Diploma**, South Panola High School
Batesville, MS

Teaching and Related Experience

2009-2014 **Chair, Department of Teacher Education and Leadership**
Associate Professor and NCATE Coordinator
Mississippi College, Clinton, MS

2001-2009 **Director of Field Experiences and Assistant Professor,**
Department of Teacher Education and Leadership
Mississippi College, Clinton, MS

1995-2001 **Teacher, Eastside Elementary,**
Clinton Public School District, Clinton, MS
5th grade reading and language arts

1994-1995 **Teacher, Utica Elementary and Middle School,**
Hinds County Public School District, Utica, MS
6th and 7th grades English, math, science, social studies

Professional Recognitions, Appointments, and Opportunities

June 2014 Appointed to Special Education Task Force, Mississippi Department of Education

April 2014 Provided Remarks and Invocation at the Mississippi STAR (Student Teacher Achievement Recognition) Awards Ceremony, Mississippi Economic Council

March 2014 Served on Mississippi Administrator of the Year Selection Committee

November 2013 Served on United States Senate Youth Program Selection Committee

October 2012 Appointed to Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development, Mississippi Department of Education

May 2012 Received **Outstanding Service and Dedication** recognition as a Chapter Counselor, Kappa Delta Pi, International Honor Society

January 2011 Served as Judge for Spelling Bee, Jackson, Hinds County and Clinton School Districts, Private and Homeschool Associations

January 2006-2010 Served on District Teacher of the Year Selection Committee, Clinton Public Schools

November 2007 Served as a Presenter, Kappa Delta Pi International Convocation, Louisville, KY

November 2006 Inducted into Delta Kappa Gamma professional educators society
 October 2006 Completed NCATE Board of Examiners training
 May 2005 Named **Outstanding Young Professor of the Year**, Mississippi College
 April 2004 Published article in *Reading Improvement Journal*, "The Effects of the Accelerated Reader Program on Fifth Graders' Reading Achievement"
 February 2004 Served as Panelist for Educational Testing Services, Baltimore, MD
 NCATE Standard Setting Study for Assessments, Praxis Series
 October 1998 Named **Teacher of the Year**, Eastside Elementary, Clinton Public School District
 August 1998 Received **Metro Jackson Outstanding Teacher Award**, Utica Elementary and Junior High School, Hinds County Public School District

Other Professional Responsibilities

NCATE/CAEP Accreditation Director, Successful NCATE/CAEP visits 2007, 2013
 Clinton Public School District Advisory Board
 Clinton Career Complex Teacher Academy Advisory Board
 Clinton Public School District Healthy Schools Committee
 Eastside Elementary Health Council
 Clinton Park Health Council
 Mississippi College Student Activities and Services Committee
 Who's Who Selection Committee, Mississippi College
 Metro Area Community Engagement Committee
 Kappa Delta Pi Chapter Sponsor, Iota Beta Chapter, Mississippi College
 Nenamoosha Campus Social Tribe Sponsor, Mississippi College
 Advisor and Coordinator, Distance Learning Program, Brookhaven, MS

Community Involvement

Children's Ministry Leader, Pinelake Church
 Sponsor and Project Leader, Botswana Orphan Care Center, Lobatse, Botswana
 Community Reader, Read Across America, Clinton Schools, Hinds County
 Parent Teacher Organization Volunteer and Homeroom Parent, Clinton Public Schools
 Assistant Leader, Girl Scout Troop 218