

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
Consent Agenda
January 18, 2018

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
The Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science

A. Approve Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science (MSMS) Advisory Board appointments

The Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science (MSMS) advisory board is comprised of eleven (11) members. Membership includes a secondary school principal, a secondary school counselor, a district superintendent, a middle school/elementary representative, an officer of the MS Association for Gifted Children, a non-public/parochial school representative, a MSMS parent of a junior, and four (4) laypersons in accordance with the MSMS Operating Procedures. Each member serves a term for three (3) years with the exception of the parent member who shall serve for the two (2) years that the child remains a student. With the exception of the parent member, members may be reappointed for a single second term. Appointments are made by the State Board of Education from recommendations by the State Superintendent of Education.

- Due to terms expiring, three (3) new members are being recommended

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

EXISTING MEMBERS

NAME	CATEGORY	LOCATION COUNTY/CITY	RACE	GENDER	TERM	TERM EXPIRATION
Rachel Westbrook	Practicing Counselor	Newton County/ Newton	White	Female	Second	December 2020
Dr. Murrell Godfrey	Layperson <i>UM Chemistry Professor</i>	Lafayette County/ Oxford	Black	Male	Second	December 2019
Paul King	Layperson	Lauderdale County/ Meridian	White	Male	First	December 2019
Dr. Debra Dace	Layperson	Sunflower County/ Indianola	Black	Female	First	December 2019
Thalita Hosey	Middle/Elementary School	Jones County/ Laurel Middle School	Black	Female	First	December 2019
Michael Cox	MS Association of Gifted Children	Humphreys County	White	Male	First	December 2019
Chance Theriot	Non-Public Parochial School	Rankin County/ Flowood	White	Male	First	December 2018

Debra Byrd	Layperson	Copiah County/ Wesson	White	Female	First	December 2018

RECOMMEDATION TO APPOINT AS NEW MEMBERS

NAME	CATEGORY	LOCATION COUNTY/CITY	RACE	GENDER	TERM	TERM EXPIRATION
Dr. Cederick Ellis	Superintendent	Pike County/ McComb School Dist	Black	Male	First	December 2020
Stefanie Jones	Practicing Secondary School	Lowndes County/ West Lowndes High	Black	Female	First	December 2020
Vijay Nandula	Parent	Bolivar County/ Cleveland	Asian	Male	First	May 2019