

**Subcommittee for the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education,
Certification and Licensure and Development
State Capitol Building
400 High Street, Room 216
Jackson, MS
9:00 a.m.
May 12, 2016**

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 a.m. on Thursday, May 12, 2016, in the Room 216 of the State Capitol Building located at 400 High Street, Jackson, MS.

Members in Attendance: Pamela Manners, Kelly Fuller, Mary Margaret King
Commission Counsel: Erin Meyer, Special Assistant Attorney General

Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Personnel Attending:

Michael C. Martin, Director of Office of Educator Misconduct (OEM)
Holley Haywood, Office of Educator Misconduct Investigator
Joseph A. Runnels, Special Assistant Attorney General, Counsel to OEM

Other Individuals in Attendance:

Case of Educator License No.: 125363

Doyle Ellett, Respondent
Preston Rideout, Esq., Counsel for Respondent

Case of Educator License No.: 203955

Derrick Holmes, Respondent

I. Case of Doyle Ellett, Educator License No.: 125363

Pamela Manners, serving as presiding officer for the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 9:09 a.m.

The Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act prohibits educational agencies from disclosing student's personally identifiable information without parental permission. Based on argument from counsel for both parties, the Commission considered going into executive session to prevent the release of student information.

Kelly Fuller moved to consider going into executive session. Mary Margaret King seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to consider going into executive session. Kelly Fuller moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee go into executive session to prevent the release of student

information. Mary Margaret King seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session. The following individuals remained in the room: Pamela Manners, Kelly Fuller, Mary Margaret King, Erin Meyer, Joseph Runnels, Holley Haywood, Michael C. Martin, Preston Rideout, Doyle Ellett, and the Court Reporter.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Pamela Manners moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee go into executive session for deliberation and findings concerning the License of the Respondent, Doyle Ellett. Kelly Fuller seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session.

Pamela Manners moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee place Educator License No.: 125363 on probation based on clear and convincing evidence that the Respondent violated district and state policy in engaging in text communication with a student, a violation of Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2(12)(h). Specifically, that Doyle Ellett, at his own expenses, shall be required to complete a minimum of one (1) seminar or course work related to ethical teacher/student relationships. The Respondent shall submit proof of his attendance and successful completion of the required course of study by December 31, 2016. The failure of the Respondent to complete the required training or coursework and within the time provided shall automatically result in the immediate suspension of the Respondent's License No.: 125363 for a period of one (1) year. Kelly Fuller seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to place Doyle Ellett, Educator License No.: 125363 on probation.

On a motion by Pamela Manners, seconded by Kelly Fuller, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to come out of executive session.

On a motion by Kelly Fuller, seconded by Mary Margaret King, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to adjourn the hearing at 12:26 p.m.

II. Case of Derrick Holmes, Educator License No.: 203955

Pamela Manners, serving as presiding officer for the Commission Hearing Subcommittee, called the hearing to order at 1:14 p.m.

After all exhibits were received into evidence and testimony heard, Kelly Fuller moved to consider going into executive session. Mary Margaret King seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to consider going into executive session.

Once the parties cleared the room, Kelly Fuller moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee go into executive session for deliberation and findings concerning the License of Educator Derrick Holmes. Mary Margaret King seconded the motion, and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to go into executive session.

Pamela Manners moved that the Commission Hearing Subcommittee suspend the Respondent's License No.: 203955 for a period of one (1) school year, specifically the 2016-2017 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. Kelly Fuller seconded the motion and the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to suspend the Respondent's educator license for a period of one (1) school year.

On a motion by Kelly Fuller, seconded by Mary Margaret King, the Commission Hearing Subcommittee unanimously voted to come out of executive session.

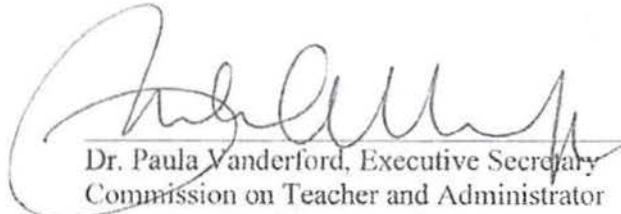
III. Adjournment

On a motion made by Kelly Fuller and seconded by Mary Margaret King, the Commission unanimously voted to adjourn at 2:30 p.m.

Approved:



Pamela Manners, Subcommittee Chair
Commission on Teacher and Administrator
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Dr. Paula Vanderford, Executive Secretary
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