Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development
Teleconference Meeting
Central High School
Jackson, MS
4th Floor Boardroom
January 11, 2019
10:00 a.m.

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-3-2(3) and 25-41-5, the members of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development (Commission) met at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, January 11, 2019 in the 4th Floor Board Room located at Central High School, 359 N. West Street, Jackson, MS.

Members Attending:
Cindy Melton  Debra Mays-Jackson  Bernell Kelly
Corey Welch  Etta Taplin

Members Attending via Teleconference:
Rilla Jones  Kenny Goza  Lisa Guice

Members Absent:
Mary Hill Shular  David Martin  Patrick Gray
Susan McClelland  John Howard

Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Personnel Attending:
Dr. Paula Vanderford  Lakisha Walker  Tonya Gibson
Dr. Debra Burson  Phelton Moss  Jennifer Nance

Special Assistant Attorney General Attending:
Erin Meyer
Joseph Runnels
I. Call to Order

Dr. Cindy Melton called the meeting to order on Friday, January 11, 2019 at 10:20 a.m. The meeting took place in the 4th floor Boardroom at the Central High School Building, 359 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

II. Establishment of a Quorum

Cindy Melton          Present, Jackson, Mississippi
Susan McClelland      Absent
Rilla Jones           Present via teleconference, Tupelo, Mississippi
John Howard           Absent
Debra Mays-Jackson    Present, Jackson, Mississippi
Corey Welch           Present, Jackson, Mississippi
Mary Hill Shular      Absent
Kenny Goza            Present via teleconference, Birmingham, Alabama
Etta Taplin           Present, Jackson, Mississippi
Bernell Kelly         Present, Jackson, Mississippi
Patrick Gray          Absent
Lisa Guice            Present via teleconference, Biloxi, Mississippi
David Martin          Absent

Dr. Melton announced that a quorum of the Commission existed.

Dr. Melton welcomed two new board members to the Commission team, Lisa Guise and David Martin.

III. Approval of the minutes of the November 2, 2018, Meeting of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development

On a motion by Etta Taplin, seconded by Debra Mays-Jackson the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Commission minutes for the November 2, 2018 meeting of the Commission on Teacher and Administration Education, Certification and Licensure and Development.

Members voting aye:
Bernell Kelly
Corey Welch
Debra Mays-Jackson
Etta Taplin
Rilla Jones
Kenny Goza

Member abstaining: None

Members voting nay: None
Members absent:
Mary Hill Shular
John Howard
Patrick Gray
Susan McClelland

IV. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes of November 2, 2018

On a motion by Kenny Goza, seconded by Etta Taplin, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Subcommittee minutes for November 2, 2018.

Members voting aye:
Etta Taplin
Kenny Goza

Members abstaining: None

Members voting nay: None

Members absent: John Howard

V. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes of November 27, 2018

On a motion by Cory Welch, seconded by Cindy Melton, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Subcommittee minutes for November 27, 2018.

Members voting aye:
Corey Welch
Cindy Melton

Members voting nay: None

Members absent: Mary Hill Shular

VI. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes of December 4, 2018

On a motion by Etta Taplin, seconded by Kenny Goza, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Subcommittee minutes for December 4, 2018.

Members voting aye:
Etta Taplin
Kenny Goza
Cindy Melton

Members voting nay: None
Members absent: None

VII. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes of December 5, 2018

On a motion by Rilla Jones, seconded by Etta Taplin, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Subcommittee minutes for December 5, 2018.

Members voting aye:
Etta Taplin
Rilla Jones
Cindy Melton

Members voting nay: None

Members absent: None

VIII. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes of December 10, 2018 and January 4, 2019

This item was not addressed during the Commission meeting. It will be presented on the March 2019 agenda.

IX. Adoption of Agenda

On a motion by Bernell Kelly, seconded by Debra Mays-Jackson, the Commission unanimously approved the adoption of the agenda.

Members voting aye:

Bernell Kelly
Corey Welch
Debra Mays-Jackson
Etta Taplin
Rilla Jones
Kenny Goza
Cindy Melton
Bernell Kelly
Lisa Guice

Members abstaining: None

Members voting nay: None

Members absent:
Susan McClelland
X. MDE Updates (Phelton Cortez Moss)

Mr. Moss informed the Commission that there are not many items on the agenda for today but there will be a larger number of items in the March meeting such as:

- Dr. Burson with Educator Preparation
- Revised guidelines that were under advisement at the November 2, 2018 meeting.
- Teacher Residency Program

Information/Action Items:

XI. Discussion and/or Approval to revise Career Pathway licensure option 912 Law and Public Safety; to establish one new Career Pathway in the endorsement area of Cyber Foundations; and to add a definition to Special Notes and Definitions page to clarify reference to “related field”.
(Ms. Tonya Gipson)

Dr. Melton stated that there has been a modification on the item since it was sent to the Commission.

- Tonya Gibson informed the Commission that the Office of Secondary Education, Division of Career and Technical Education will present two items which are:
  - Endorsement 912 Career and Pathway Law and Public Safety
    - Requesting approval to revise the educational requirement.
    - Currently the perspective educator is required to have an Associate Degree or higher in Criminal Justice, Emergency Medicine, Political Science, or Social Science.
    - The Office or Career and Technical is asking the Commission to add “any associate degree with any approved documented specialized training in law enforcement training, emergency medicine training, fire academy, or military or twenty-one (21) hours of acceptable coursework with an earned grade of C or higher in the subject area to be taught.”
  - To add a clarifying statement to the definition page as well as each endorsement that has that information included.
    - This refers to the “related fields” statement
- Some endorsements require a degree in a specialized area or an approved Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) endorsement.
- The Office of Career and Technical Education is asking to clarify the statement with an applicant holding a two (2) or four (4) year degree as appropriate for the licensing pursued in any field and has completed twenty-one (21) hours of acceptable coursework with an earned grade of C or higher in the subject area of the license that is requested.

On a motion by Debra Mays-Jackson, seconded by Corey Welch, the Commission unanimously approved the proposal to revise the Career Pathway licensure option 912 Law and Public Safety and to add a definition to Special Notes and Definitions page to clarify reference to "related field".

Member voting aye:
Bernell Kelly
Corey Welch
Debra Mays-Jackson
Etta Taplin
Rilla Jones
Kenny Goza
Cindy Melton
Bernell Kelly
Lisa Guice

Members abstaining: None

Members voting nay: None

Members absent:
Susan McClelland
John Howard
Mary Hill Shular
Patrick Gray
David Martin

**XII.** Discussion and/or approval of ratifications of agreed orders and/or voluntary surrenders (Mr. Michael Martin)

Michael Martin from the Office of Educator Misconduct requested that the Commission accept and ratify the two (2) agreed orders presented:
- The Respondent, Cindy Musselwhite, (License #155286) executed an agreed order by acknowledging that she violated standard 4 of the Mississippi Educator Code of Ethics Standards. The Respondent's license shall be relinquished, suspended or otherwise surrendered for a minimum of two (2) year(s) from the date the Commission ratifies the Agreed Order. Mrs. Musselwhite shall not apply for reinstatement before the expiration of the two years. After the two (2) years, Mrs. Musselwhite may petition for reinstatement.

- The Respondent, Kimberly McDaniel (License No. 153273), executed an agreed order by acknowledging that she violated standard 4 and 6 of the Mississippi Educator Code of Ethics Standards. The Respondent's license shall be relinquished, suspended or otherwise surrendered for a minimum of one (1) year(s) from the date the Commission ratifies the Agreed Order. Mrs. McDaniel shall not apply for reinstatement before the expiration of one (1) year.

On a motion by Etta Taplin, seconded by Bernell Kelly, the Commission unanimously accepted and ratified the agreed orders:

Members voting aye:
Bernell Kelly
Corey Welch
Debra Mays-Jackson
Etta Taplin
Rilla Jones
Kenny Goza
Cindy Melton
Bernell Kelly
Lisa Guice

Members abstaining: None

Members voting nay: None

Members absent:
Susan McClelland
John Howard
Mary Hill Shular
Patrick Gray
David Martin

Dr. Melton and Michael Martin addressed the tentative hearing dates.

Mr. Martin will send out an email to the Commission members with the dates for the upcoming hearings to check for their availability.
Dr. Melton reminded the Commission members that they are required to serve in the Educator Misconduct hearings at least once each quarter that they apart of the Commission.

XIII. Other Business

X. Adjournment

On a motion by Corey Welch, seconded by Debra Mays-Jackson, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the Commission meeting at 10:35 a.m.

Should you require accommodations due to a disability, please contact our office at 601-359-3764.

NOTE: Cellular telephones and pagers must be on silent during the meeting.

Approved:

Cindy Melton, Ph.D., 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