

# MINUTES

## PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMISSION

200 Piedmont Avenue, SE

Atlanta, Georgia

February 13, 2020

The Georgia Professional Standards Commission (PSC) met on Thursday, February 13, 2020.

### Members Present

Dr. Steve Barker	Dr. Isiah Hill, Jr	Teri Schneider
Danielle Bruce	Scott Hollowell	Brian Sirmans
Jeanine Bunn	Dr. Karla Hull	Dr. Jennifer Wade
Derek Easterling	Dr. Jacqueline McDowell	Katrina Young
Barbara Ellingson	Dr. Franklin Perry	

### Members Absent

Daniel Dooley	Diane McClearen
Catherine Jones	Beth Townsend

## I. WORK SESSION

- Executive Secretary Report – Matt told the Commission that since being in this position he has received very positive feedback from the State and General Assembly and that it has been his honor to represent the GaPSC. He also spoke briefly about the a) Preparation Program Effectiveness Measures Overview that Dr. Penney McRoy and Joy Fethe presented to the House and Senate Education committee; and b) the Teacher Pipeline Conference held by the Georgia Department of Education.
- As part of the regular assessment review for the Commission, Anne Marie Fenton facilitated an edTPA data review, which included not only data provided by the testing supplier, Evaluation Systems group of Pearson (ES), but also experiences from state-approved Educator Preparation Providers and P12 districts. Presenters included:
  - Dr. Paula M. Nassif, Head of Business, Evaluation Systems group of Pearson (ES)
  - Nathan Estel, Director, ES
  - Dr. J. Fidel Turner, Jr., Dean, School of Education, Clark Atlanta University
  - Dr. Mack Bullard, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, Bibb County School District
  - Dr. Carla L. Tanguay, Associate to the Dean for Clinical Practice, Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Early Childhood & Elementary Education, Georgia State University
  - Dr. Michelle Thompson, Professional Learning Coordinator, DeKalb County Teacher Academy for Preparation and Pedagogy (DCSD TAPP), DeKalb County School District
- Anne Marie Fenton presented the rules for preview that will come before you for your consideration to initiate at the March 2020 meeting. Windy Fortenberry reviewed the Certification Rules and Penney McRoy reviewed the Educator Preparation Rules. Certification Rules: 505-2-.09- Non-Renewable Professional Certificate- It is proposed that this rule be revised to include the option for a one (1)-year Non-Renewable Professional certificate for service field program candidates meeting all program requirements with the exception of the content assessment and for professionally certified leaders applying by reciprocity who lack the content assessment. 505-2-.32- Validity Periods and Dating of Certificates- It is proposed that this rule be revised based on the changes proposed to the Non-Renewable Professional Certificate rule (see above). 505-2-.39-Certification Appeals- It is proposed that this rule be revised to amend the Tier II appeal process and to clarify the timeline for submitting a Tier II appeal.

505-2-.42- Clearance Certificate- It is proposed that this rule be revised to require a passing score on the Georgia Educator Ethics – Program Entry assessment prior to issuance of the Clearance certificate. 505-2-.145- School Nutrition Director- It is proposed that this rule be revised to remove references to an Induction certificate and replace with Provisional certificate. 505-2-.147- School Social Work- It is proposed that this rule be revised to clarify renewal requirements for educators holding School Social Work certification. 505-2-.148-Speech and Language Pathology- It is proposed that this rule be revised to remove references to the GACE content assessment, as the Praxis is the GaPSC-approved assessment for this field. 505-2-.153-Educational Leadership- It is proposed that this rule be revised to require a passing score on the Georgia Ethics for Educational Leadership – Program Exit assessment prior to issuance of the professional certificate for those coming by reciprocity. In addition, it is proposed that this rule be revised to allow for a One (1)-Year Non-Renewable certificate for leaders applying by reciprocity who lack a content area assessment. Educator Preparation Rules: 505-3-.14 - Elementary Education and 505-3-.13 Birth through Kindergarten- For the Elementary Education and Birth through Kindergarten program rules, we propose amending the rules to incorporate updated national standards. There is some overlap in these rules, as Elementary preparation is for those who will teach in grades Pre-K through 5, and Birth through Kindergarten prepares individuals to teach Pre-K and K. Two GaPSC task forces comprised of practitioners and subject matter experts recommended adapting standards published by professional associations in these fields. 505-3-.66-Literacy Specialist Program - We propose amendments to the Literacy Specialist Program rule to add program admission requirements, which were not included in the previous rule amendment. Proposed admission requirements are the same as those that were in the previous version of this rule, the Reading Specialist. If adopted, they will require for program admission three years of teaching experience and a valid level 4 or higher Induction, Professional, Advanced Professional, or Lead Professional teaching certificate, leadership certificate, service field certificate, or Life certificate. 505-3-.112-Dyslexia Endorsement Program- For the Dyslexia Endorsement, we propose amending the rule to clarify terminology and add an indicator further describing expectations related to the use of assessments. These revisions were suggested by a university professor and subject matter expert when the new rule was open for public comment. The Dyslexia Task Force reviewed the suggested revisions and agreed with them.

## **II. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Sirmans called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag and a moment of silence.

## **III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Chair Sirmans called for approval of the agenda.

**MOTION:** (Derek Easterling / Katrina Young) To approve the agenda.

**PSC ACTION:** Approved

## **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chair Sirmans called for approval of the minutes from the January 9, 2020, Commission meeting.

**PSC ACTION:** Approved

**V. VISITORS**

Chair Sirmans welcomed the visitors.

- Leonard Williams, Professional Association of Georgia Educators
- Deja Velasquez, Office of Planning and Budget
- Paula Nassif, Evaluation Systems
- Nathan Estel, Evaluation Systems
- J. Fidel Turner, Jr., Clark Atlanta University
- Carla Tanguay, Georgia State University
- Tayia Donald, Georgia Association of Educators (GAE)
- Mack Bullard, Bibb County School District
- Michelle Thompson, Dekalb County School District
- Dr. Shamita Johnson, I.C.E.E.

**VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Ethics and Professional Conduct --Recommendations and Actions on Cases**

Vice Chair Barker of the Educator Ethics Review Committee (EERC), gave a preliminary review of the Cases.

1. Vice Chair Barker reported that the Committee reviewed 81 ***Probable Cause*** cases during February 13, 2020, meeting and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the committee:

<u>CASE</u>	<u>STANDARDS VIOLATED</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
18-9-369	1	NPC
18-10-485	1	NPC
19-8-310	1,5a7	Deny
19-9-483	1, 5a7	NPC
19-10-606	1,5a7	Reprimand
19-10-622	4, 9, 5a7	Deny
19-10-680	1,4,5a7	Reprimand
19-10-691	1, 5a7	Reprimand
19-11-756	1, 4, 8, 9, 5a7	Deny
19-11-803	1, 5a7	Reprimand
19-12-853	4,5a2,5a5,5a7	Deny
20-1-973	1,4,5a7	Deny
18-6-1672	4&8	Suspension 20 days
18-6-1721	4, 9 10	Suspension 90 days
18-6-1739	1,4,8,9	Reprimand
18-7-66	1, 8, 9, 5a7	Suspension 1 year
18-7-103	1, 5a7	Revoke
18-8-154	1, 5a7	Revoke
18-8-188	1, 5a7	Revoke
18-8-226	1, 4 & 9	Suspension 2 years
18-8-284	2 & 9	Suspension 20 days
18-9-345	2 & 9	Suspension 90 days

<u>CASE</u>	<u>STANDARDS VIOLATED</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
18-9-387	1,5a7	Revoke
18-9-439	1,5a7	Revoke
18-10-488	4, 8, 5a2, 5a7	Suspension 20 days
18-10-491	4,5a7,8,9,5a2	NPC
18-10-519	1, 5a7	Reprimand
18-10-537	1,5a7	Revoke
18-10-546	1,4,5a7,8,9	Suspension 20 days
18-10-548	5a7,9	Revoke
19-4-1458	9, 5a7	Suspension 10 days
19-4-1467	5, 9, 5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-4-1483	9,5a7	Reprimand
19-8-341	4, 9, 10	Suspension 20 days
19-9-409	3, 4, 9, 5a7	Revoke
19-9-428	2,4,7,9 5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-9-431	1,2,4,9 5a7	Revoke
19-10-506	1, 9, 5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-10-563	4, 9	Suspension 90 days
19-10-565	2, 9	Suspension 5 days
19-10-568	4,9,5a7	Suspension 90 days
19-10-569	9, 5a7	NPC
19-10-584	1,2,4,9,5a7	Suspension 20 days
19-10-628	1,2,9,5a7	Revoke
19-10-631	2, 9, 5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-10-637	1,2,9,5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-10-638	5,9,5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-10-685	9, 5a7	Suspension 20 days
19-11-694	1, 2, 4, 9, 5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-11-697	2,4,8,9,5a7	Revoke
19-11-698	9, 5a7	Suspension 90 days
19-11-704	4,9	Suspension 90 days
19-11-710	2, 9, 5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-11-719	2, 9, 5a7	Suspension 90 days
19-11-720	2, 9, 5a7	Revoke
19-11-722	2,9,5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-11-724	1,2,9,5a7	Revoke
19-11-726	8, 9	Suspension 90 days
19-11-727	9	NPC
19-11-728	1, 9, 5a7	Revoke
19-11-735	2, 9, 5a7	Suspension 20 days
19-11-737	1, 4, 9, 5a7	Revoke
19-11-738	2, 9	Suspension 90 days
19-11-743	2,9,5a7	Suspension 10 days
19-11-746	1, 8,9, 5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-11-747	2, 4, 9	NPC
19-11-748	2, 8, 9, 5a7	Revoke
19-11-750	1, 4, 9, 5a7	Revoke

<u>CASE</u>	<u>STANDARDS VIOLATED</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
19-11-751	2, 4, 9, 5a7	Reprimand
19-11-755	4, 9, 5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-11-762	7, 9, 5a7	Suspension 10 days
19-11-766	2, 3, 8, 9, 5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-11-768	1, 4, 9, 5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-11-788	2, 9, 5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-12-814	1, 4, 9, 5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-12-816	2, 4, 9, 5a7	Suspension 20 days
19-12-819	1, 9, 5a7	Suspension 1 year
19-12-820	1, 4, 8, 9, 5a7	NPC
19-12-821	2, 9, 5a7	Suspension 3 days
19-12-830	9, 5a7	Suspension 90 days
19-12-831	9, 5a7	Suspension 90 days

2. Vice Chair Barker reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 2 *Petitions Issues* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

<u>CASE</u>	<u>PREVIOUS SANCTION</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
19-6-1798	Voluntary Surrender	Deny
19-8-350	Revocation	Deny

3. Vice Chair Barker reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 16 *Settlement Agreements* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

<u>CASE</u>	<u>SANCTION</u>	<u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u>
18-6-1608	Suspension 90 days	Accept
19-6-1819	Reprimand	Accept
19-8-267	Reprimand	Accept
19-8-269	Reprimand	Accept
19-9-365	Suspension 10 days	Accept
19-9-367	Suspension 20 days	Accept
19-9-425	Suspension 1 year	Accept
19-9-430	Reprimand	Accept
19-9-441	Suspension 20 days	Accept
19-9-467	Suspension 20 days	Accept
19-9-493	Reprimand	Accept
19-10-521	Suspension 20 days	Accept
19-10-636	Suspension 5 days	Accept
19-10-648	Suspension 2 years	Accept
19-10-675	Suspension 20 days	Accept
19-11-794	Reprimand	Accept

4. Vice Chair Barker reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 17 *Negotiated Settlement*

**Agreements** and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

<u>CASE</u>	<u>NEGOTIATED SANCTION</u>	<u>EERC RECOMMEND</u>
17-3-1207	NPC	Accept
18-3-1142	Suspension 1 year	Accept
18-4-1285	Suspension 1 year, 70 days	Reject
18-4-1337	Suspension 45 days	Accept
18-4-1372	Suspension 2 years	Accept
18-7-2	Suspension 20 days	Accept
18-8-146	NPC	Accept
18-10-593	Reprimand	Accept
19-3-1224	Reprimand	Accept
19-3-1234	Suspension 106 days	Accept
19-3-1328	Suspension 5 days	Accept
19-4-1473	NPC	Accept
19-5-1606	Suspension 10 days	Accept
19-6-1752	Warning	Reject
19-6-1820	Reprimand	Accept
19-6-1864	Warning	Accept
19-7-146	Reprimand	Accept

## 5. **OTHER BUSINESS**

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the *Other Business Report* as follows:

<u>CASE</u>	<u>CASE DETAILS</u>	<u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u>
19-3-1117		Admin Close
PCE 19-4-1502	Expand current investigation	Expand
18-8-285	Unable to obtain service	Hold New Application
18-10-580	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-5-1591	Failed to provide documents	Hold New Application
19-8-316	Failed to provide documents	Hold New Application
19-9-388	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-9-393	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-9-394	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-9-397	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-9-398	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-9-443	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-9-446	Failed to provide documents	Hold New Application
19-9-459	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-9-460	Failed to provide documents	Hold New Application
19-9-466	Failed to provide documents	Hold New Application
19-9-476	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-9-489	Failed to provide documents	Hold New Application
19-9-496	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-10-531	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-10-537	Failure to respond	Hold New Application

<u>CASE</u>	<u>CASE DETAILS</u>	<u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u>
19-10-543	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-10-556	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-10-567	Unable to obtain service	Hold New Application
19-10-587	Failed to provide documents	Hold New Application
19-10-592	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-10-594	Failed to provide documents	Hold New Application
19-10-595	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-10-602	Failed to provide documents	Hold New Application
19-10-603	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-10-605	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-10-607	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-10-611	Failed to provide documents	Hold New Application
19-10-613	Failure to respond	Hold New Application
19-10-650	Failure to respond	Hold New Application

6. The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the ***Preliminary Investigative Determination Report*** consisting of 121 new complaints received during the months of January and February 2020.

#### 7. **VOLUNTARY SURRENDERS**

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the 3 Voluntary Surrenders listed below in which an Educator/Applicant voluntarily accepted a sanction of Revocation or Denial prior to the submission of an investigative case summary for a Probable Cause Determination.

<u>CASE</u>	<u>STANDARDS VIOLATED</u>	<u>SANCTION</u>	<u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u>
19-11-723	1, 2, 9	VS	Accept
19-11-759	2, 9	VS	Accept
19-12-890	9	VS	Accept

#### 8. **EXTENSIONS – PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATIVE DETERMINATIONS**

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the ***106 Extensions - Preliminary Investigative Determinations*** consisting of the following:

20-1-959	20-1-993	20-2-1116	20-2-1130	20-2-1144	20-2-1158	20-2-1172	20-2-1190
20-1-960	20-1-994	20-2-1117	20-2-1131	20-2-1145	20-2-1159	20-2-1173	20-2-1191
20-1-961	20-1-995	20-2-1118	20-2-1132	20-2-1146	20-2-1160	20-2-1174	20-2-1192
20-1-962	20-1-996	20-2-1119	20-2-1133	20-2-1147	20-2-1161	20-2-1175	20-2-1193
20-1-963	20-1-997	20-2-1120	20-2-1134	20-2-1148	20-2-1162	20-2-1176	20-2-1194
20-1-964	20-1-1067	20-2-1121	20-2-1135	20-2-1149	20-2-1163	20-2-1177	20-2-1195
20-1-965	20-1-1108	20-2-1122	20-2-1136	20-2-1150	20-2-1164	20-2-1179	20-2-1196
20-1-966	20-2-1109	20-2-1123	20-2-1137	20-2-1151	20-2-1165	20-2-1180	20-2-1198
20-1-967	20-2-1110	20-2-1124	20-2-1138	20-2-1152	20-2-1166	20-2-1184	

20-1-968	20-2-1111	20-2-1125	20-2-1139	20-2-1153	20-2-1167	20-2-1185	
20-1-969	20-2-1112	20-2-1126	20-2-1140	20-2-1154	20-2-1168	20-2-1186	
20-1-988	20-2-1113	20-2-1127	20-2-1141	20-2-1155	20-2-1169	20-2-1187	
20-1-989	20-2-1114	20-2-1128	20-2-1142	20-2-1156	20-2-1170	20-2-1188	
20-1-992	20-2-1115	20-2-1129	20-2-1143	20-2-1157	20-2-1171	20-2-1189	

## 9. EXTENSIONS - INVESTIGATIONS

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended granting an *Investigative Extension* to the following 351 cases:

WRITTEN COMPLAINT EXTENSIONS							
18-7-11	19-1-961	19-4-1502	19-6-1893	19-7-106	19-9-373	19-10-555	19-10-693
18-8-207	19-1-963	19-4-1532	19-6-1896	19-7-107	19-9-375	19-10-557	19-11-695
18-10-567	19-2-1005	19-4-1545	19-6-1897	19-7-118	19-9-376	19-10-572	19-11-700
18-10-570	19-2-1041	19-5-1553	19-6-1898	19-7-128	19-9-381	19-10-573	19-11-701
18-10-579	19-2-1066	19-5-1562	19-6-1899	19-7-138	19-9-383	19-10-574	19-11-702
18-10-583	19-2-1070	19-5-1566	19-6-1900	19-7-139	19-9-385	19-10-589	19-11-703
18-10-584	19-2-1071	19-5-1570	19-6-1903	19-7-140	19-9-390	19-10-596	19-11-709
18-10-592	19-2-1073	19-5-1574	19-6-1906	19-7-141	19-9-392	19-10-597	19-11-715
18-10-595	19-2-1075	19-5-1576	19-6-1907	19-7-142	19-9-400	19-10-599	19-11-717
18-10-599	19-2-1106	19-5-1577	19-6-1908	19-7-144	19-9-407	19-10-608	19-11-721
18-10-605	19-2-1110	19-5-1613	19-6-1915	19-7-148	19-9-420	19-10-609	19-11-729
18-11-653	19-3-1119	19-5-1615	19-6-1918	19-7-149	19-9-422	19-10-614	19-11-739
18-11-662	19-3-1163	19-5-1616	19-6-1922	19-7-154	19-9-424	19-10-618	19-11-741
18-11-665	19-3-1232	19-5-1618	19-6-1929	19-7-160	19-9-433	19-10-619	19-11-752
18-11-666	19-3-1240	19-5-1619	19-6-1930	19-7-163	19-9-435	19-10-623	19-11-754
18-11-669	19-3-1244	19-5-1620	19-6-1931	19-7-171	19-9-447	19-10-630	19-11-763
18-11-672	19-3-1250	19-5-1626	19-6-1934	19-7-175	19-9-450	19-10-632	19-11-765
18-11-675	19-3-1263	19-5-1670	19-7-35	19-8-186	19-9-451	19-10-639	19-11-775
18-11-685	19-3-1271	19-5-1692	19-7-36	19-8-193	19-9-458	19-10-640	19-11-776
18-11-686	19-3-1272	19-5-1695	19-7-37	19-8-194	19-9-461	19-10-646	19-11-777
18-11-694	19-3-1276	19-5-1696	19-7-38	19-8-213	19-9-464	19-10-651	19-11-778
18-11-698	19-3-1277	19-5-1700	19-7-39	19-8-219	19-9-471	19-10-652	19-11-780
18-11-703	19-3-1278	19-5-1701	19-7-41	19-8-223	19-9-472	19-10-653	19-11-781
18-11-728	19-3-1281	19-5-1706	19-7-42	19-8-226	19-9-475	19-10-657	19-11-782
18-12-736	19-3-1287	19-6-1746	19-7-43	19-8-227	19-9-478	19-10-660	19-11-784
18-12-739	19-3-1289	19-6-1787	19-7-44	19-8-231	19-9-486	19-10-661	19-11-785
18-12-766	19-3-1291	19-6-1812	19-7-56	19-8-242	19-9-487	19-10-662	19-11-787
19-1-828	19-3-1292	19-6-1814	19-7-71	19-8-248	19-9-488	19-10-663	19-11-798
19-1-849	19-3-1293	19-6-1815	19-7-72	19-8-254	19-9-491	19-10-664	19-11-799
19-1-854	19-3-1298	19-6-1818	19-7-82	19-8-257	19-9-492	19-10-665	19-11-800
19-1-868	19-3-1305	19-6-1821	19-7-86	19-8-258	19-9-499	19-10-666	19-11-802
19-1-869	19-3-1312	19-6-1822	19-7-87	19-8-259	19-9-502	19-10-667	19-11-805
19-1-895	19-3-1313	19-6-1829	19-7-89	19-8-260	19-10-505	19-10-668	19-11-808
19-1-897	19-4-1368	19-6-1872	19-7-90	19-8-261	19-10-507	19-10-671	19-12-838
19-1-903	19-4-1376	19-6-1875	19-7-92	19-8-265	19-10-516	19-10-672	19-12-839
19-1-906	19-4-1378	19-6-1877	19-7-93	19-8-266	19-10-517	19-10-673	19-12-840



<b>WRITTEN COMPLAINT EXTENSIONS</b>							
19-1-923	19-4-1395	19-6-1878	19-7-94	19-8-287	19-10-526	19-10-674	19-12-851
19-1-941	19-4-1400	19-6-1885	19-7-95	19-8-301	19-10-527	19-10-676	19-12-852
19-1-943	19-4-1402	19-6-1886	19-7-97	19-8-309	19-10-533	19-10-679	19-12-854
19-1-946	19-4-1417	19-6-1887	19-7-98	19-8-311	19-10-534	19-10-681	19-12-855
19-1-950	19-4-1424	19-6-1889	19-7-100	19-8-320	19-10-544	19-10-682	19-12-857
19-1-953	19-4-1451	19-6-1890	19-7-102	19-8-321	19-10-545	19-10-683	19-12-859
19-1-954	19-4-1452	19-6-1891	19-7-103	19-8-324	19-10-550	19-10-689	19-12-860
19-1-956	19-4-1478	19-6-1892	19-7-105	19-9-352	19-10-553	19-10-692	

**10. APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION REPORT**

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended to approve a no probable cause determination on 19 cases reflected on the *Applications for Certification Report*.

**11. FINAL DECISIONS BY OPERATION OF LAW**

The Commission reviewed the report, which advised of 11 cases now closed without an appeal for a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge.

**12. FINAL DECISIONS BY OPERATION OF LAW**

The Commission reviewed the *Final Decisions* below, and recommended the following action for approval by the full Commission.

<b>CASE</b>	<b>ORIGINAL SANCTION</b>	<b>ALJ SANCTION</b>	<b>EERC RECOMMENDATION</b>
18-10-588	Denial	Denial	Accept
19-6-1832	Suspension 20 days	Warning	Accept

Chair Sirmans called for approval of the Educator Ethics Review Committee Report as presented by Vice-Chair Steven Barker.

**PSC ACTION:** Approved

Abstentions: Teri Schneider-9-431, Katrina Young-18-4-1372, Franklin Perry-20-1-1030, 19-12-819, 820, 821, 19-10-628, Steve Barker-20-1-1021, 1022, 1023, Jeanine Bunn-19-12-903, 904, 905, 20-1-1026, 19-6-1864, 19-11-704, Derek Easterling-19-12-894, 19-12-897, 20-1-916, 20-1-947,948, 20-1-1012, 20-1-1024, 19-7-146, 19-11-694, 19-11-737, 19-11-751, 19-11-747

**B. Educator Preparation Standing Committee**

Committee Vice-Chair, Dr. Karla Hull, presented the report of the Educator Preparation Standing Committee.

The Committee recommends the following approval actions.

	<b>EPP</b>	<b>February 2020 Detailed Approval Recommendations</b>
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	<b>EPP</b>	<b>February 2020 Detailed Approval Recommendations</b>
1.	<b>Piedmont College</b>	<p>The Committee recommends disagreeing with the Evaluation Review Panel that recommended Continuing Approval with Probation during its January 7, 2020, meeting. The Committee recommends Continuing Approval with Conditions for the Educator Preparation Provider and the following eighteen Educator Preparation Programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Art (P-12) [Baccalaureate degree; Certification-only; M.A.T. degree]</li> <li>• Biology (6-12) [Baccalaureate degree]</li> <li>• Broad Field Science (6-12) [Certification-only; M.A.T. degree]</li> <li>• Chemistry (6-12) [Baccalaureate degree]</li> <li>• Coaching Endorsement</li> <li>• Curriculum and Instruction (P-12) [Master's degree; Ed Specialist degree; Doctoral degree]</li> <li>• Drama (P-12) [Baccalaureate degree; Certification-only]</li> <li>• Educational Leadership - Tier I (P-12) [Certification-only]</li> <li>• Elementary Education (P-5) [Baccalaureate Degree; Certification-only; M.A.T. degree]</li> <li>• English (6-12) [Baccalaureate degree; Certification-only; M.A.T. degree]</li> <li>• Gifted Infield Endorsement</li> <li>• History (6-12) [Baccalaureate degree; Certification-only; M.A.T. degree]</li> <li>• Instructional Technology (P-12) [Certification-only; Master's degree; Ed Specialist degree]</li> <li>• Mathematics (6-12) [Baccalaureate degree; Certification-only; M.A.T. degree]</li> <li>• Middle Grades (4-8) -- Language arts, Math, Reading, Science, Social science [Baccalaureate degree; Certification-only; M.A.T. degree]</li> <li>• Music (P-12) [Baccalaureate degree; Certification-only; M.A.T. degree]</li> <li>• Special Education - Adapted Curriculum (P-12) [M.A.T. degree]</li> <li>• Special Education - General Curriculum (P-12) [Certification-only; M.A.T. degree]</li> </ul> <p>Additionally, the Committee recommends the submission of a</p>

	<b>EPP</b>	<b>February 2020 Detailed Approval Recommendations</b>
		Progress Report by September 14, 2020. The Progress Report should indicate plans and progress for addressing all stipulations and areas for improvement cited during the Fall 2019 Continuing Approval Review. The Committee also recommends a Focus Visit on the unmet standard for Fall 2021.
2.	<b>Savannah State University</b>	The Committee recommends that while incremental progress is evident in the August 30, 2019, Progress Report, the areas for improvement remain. The Committee recommends the submission of a Progress Report by November 2, 2020, addressing the remaining areas for improvement cited during the Spring 2019 Continuing Approval Review.
3.	<b>Tier II Appeals</b>	The Committee recommends all Tier II Appeals go before the Executive Secretary of the Georgia Professional Standards Commission, rather than the Educator Preparation Certification Committee.
4.	<b>Educator Preparation and Certification Committee</b>	The Committee recommends the name change of the Educator Preparation and Certification Standing Committee to Educator Preparation and Certification Committee.

Chair Sirmans called for approval of the Educator Preparation / Certification Report as presented by Vice-Chair, Dr. Hull.

**PSC ACTION:** Approved

Abstentions – Barbara Ellingson – Piedmont College

## **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Our next Commission meeting, Educator Ethics Review Committee, and Educator Preparation/Certification Committee meeting time will be held on Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. The Educator Ethics Review Committee and Educator Preparation/Certification Committee will meet at 9:30 am. The Commission meeting will start at 12 noon and conclude at approximately 1 p.m. be followed by the Commission Retreat. The Commission Retreat will end on Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at approximately 12 noon. Both the Commission meeting and Retreat will be held at 200 Piedmont Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Boardroom, Atlanta, Georgia. Chair Sirmans called for the meeting to be adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

**PSC ACTION:** Approved