

MINUTES

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMISSION Remote Meeting via TEAMS Platform June 8, 2023

The Georgia Professional Standards Commission (PSC) met on Thursday, June 8, 2023.

Members Present

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| Jimmy Atkins | Kedrione Harris | Jane Rookard |
| Jeanine Bunn | Mark Kauffman | Dr. Jennifer Wade |
| Abigail Coggin | Dr. Franklin Perry | Carol Williams |
| Jordan Frobos | Dr. Holley Roberts | Dr. Judi Wilson |

Members Absent

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| Vonda Woodall | Beth Townsend |
| Nathan Lewis | Dr. Brandon Seigler |
| Derek Easterling | |

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Sirmans called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and Commissioners answered roll call for attendance.

II. VISITORS

Chair Sirmans welcomed the visitors.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chair Sirmans called for approval of the agenda.

MOTION: (Jordan Frobos/Dr. Judi Wilson) To approve the agenda.

PSC ACTION: Approved

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Sirmans called for approval of the May 11, 2023 minutes.

PSC ACTION: Approved

V. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

- The EERC adopted new Clearance Criteria. The changes include separating the clearance criteria into initial applicants and those already certified, revised the time for certain misdemeanors to be considered from 10 to 5 years prior to initial certification, and updated types of relevant criminal history (i.e. removed bad checks).

Further, we have heard from several of you as well as Superintendents and HR Directors from across the State about the inconvenience and issues that arise with the Commission approved June 15th deadline

given for educators to “get out of” their contracts. The law clearly states that educators have until June 1st to accept or reject their contract. The EERC moved to align the Commission deadline with the law.

- We are in the process of updating our surveys of inductee teachers and leaders, and the surveys of their employers. These surveys have been administered for seven years and they are part of the PPEMs—Preparation Program Effectiveness Measures. The resulting data have been used by program providers to make improvements to their programs. We are also adding new surveys to gather feedback on programs in the service fields, such as School Counseling, Media Specialist, and Curriculum and Instruction. The revision process began last month and we are contracting with Kennesaw State University to conduct a validation study later this year. We plan to administer the new surveys next spring.
- Transitions are taking place next month in our Educator Preparation Division. Dr. Angie Gant, who has been with us since 2013, is returning to P-12 education as an elementary music teacher in White County. Angie serves as the Director of Program Approval. We appreciate her service to the agency and the state, and wish her well in her new role. I am happy to share that Dr. PaQuita Morgan is being promoted to the Program Approval Director role. PaQuita has served as an Education Specialist since 2008. She manages the approval decision making process for the Ed Prep Division, and has facilitated countless approval reviews and task forces. She has been tapped as a keynote speaker at several events and has served as a site visitor for CAEP, the national accreditor for educator preparation. Dr. Morgan holds degrees from Spelman College, the Harvard Graduate School of Education, and the University of West Georgia, and she has maintained her Georgia Certification in Elementary Education and Educational Leadership. Dr. Morgan, congratulations and welcome to the leadership team!

VI. CHAIR REPORT

At today’s Commission meeting, you will be asked to consider proposed Educator Preparation rules. In making your decision, it is important to note what the proposed rule amendments that address the simplification and/or removal of ambiguous terms are and are not.

The rulemaking process to amend the rules began when the University System of Georgia asked PSC to clarify expectations for educator preparation programs. We were asked to remove or simplify words that in recent years, have taken on multiple and unintended meanings. We were told these terms were leading to difficulty in interpreting program standards. As we don’t want these words to distract EPPs from their work of preparing effective educators, we replaced them with commonly understood terms.

These proposed rule amendments are not intended to redefine or remove the care preparation providers place on meeting students’ needs or prescribe the way EPPs choose to meet the program standards. We still expect EPPs to prepare educators who are well equipped to address the learning needs of all students they may encounter, and who are well prepared to meet students where they are within a positive and welcoming learning environment.

VII. ORAL HEARING

Chair Sirmans stated that we had received a request for an oral hearing by the minimum number of 25 persons during the public comment period for the rules that Commissioners would be asked to adopt today. He called the oral hearing in the matter of the proposed rules initiated by the Commission on April 13, 2023, to order. A quorum

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of the Commission was present. The currently proposed rules under adoption consideration were posted on our website. The Commission received written public comments prior to the hearing. Chair Sirmans asked that statements be concise and they were limited to three (3) minutes.

Of the twenty five (25) visitors attending the meeting, fourteen (14) requested to address the Commission during the oral hearing. Each of the fourteen speakers' expressed opposition to the adoption of the proposed rules. Chair Sirmans thanked the speakers and concluded the oral comments.

VIII. RULES INITIATION AND ADOPTION

Anne Marie Fenton presented the Rules for Adoption and then presented Rules for Initiation.

The Certification rules and Educator Preparation rules that came before the Commissioner for their consideration to adopt were initiated at the April 13, 2023, Commission meeting. 66 public comments were received during the public comment period.

MOTION: (Jimmy Atkins /Dr. Judi Wilson) To (1) repeal the current rules in Chapter 505-2- Certification, effective July 1, 2023, as follows: 505-2-.141, 505-2-.142, and 505-2-.149; (2) adopt the current rules in Chapter 505-2- Certification, effective July 1, 2023, as follows: 505-2-.141, 505-2-.142, and 505-2-.149; 3) repeal the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation Rules, effective July 1, 2023, as follows: 505-3-.13, 505-3-.19, 505-3-.48, 505-3-.59, 505-3-.82, and 505-3-.100; 4) adopt the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation Rules, effective July 1, 2023, as follows: 505-3.03, 505-3-.13, 505-3-.19, 505-3-.48, 505-3-.59, 505-3-.82, and 505-3-.100; and 5) amend the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation Rules, effective July 1, 2023, as follows: 505-3-.14, 505-3-.51, 505-3-.66, 505-3-.76, 505-3-.77, and 505-3-.96.

PSC ACTION: Approved

These rules will become effective July 1, 2023.

Anne Marie presented Preparation rules and one Professional Practices or Ethics rule for initiation.

MOTION: (Jimmy Atkins/ Kedrione Harris) To (1) amend the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation Rules, effective August 15, 2023, as follows: 505-3-.01, 505-3-.05, 505-3-.06, 505-3-.23, 505-3-.24, 505-3-.25, 505-3-.26, 505-3-.27, 505-3-.28, 505-3-.29, 505-3-.30, 505-3-.34, 505-3-.35, 505-3-.36, 505-3-.37, 505-3-.38, 505-3-.39, 505-3-.40, 505-3-.41, 505-3-.44, 505-3-.45, 505-3-.46, 505-3-.47, 505-3-.49, 505-3-.50, 505-3-.54, 505-3-.55, 505-3-.56, 505-3-.57, 505-3-.58, 505-3-.60, 505-3-.83, 505-3-.89, 505-3-.90, 505-3-.92, 505-3-.93, 505-3-.95, 505-3-.98, 505-3-.99, 505-3-.101, 505-3-.102, 505-3-.103, 505-3-.104, 505-3-.107, 505-3-.108, 505-3-.110, and 505-3-.112; and (2) repealing the current rule in Chapter 6-Professional Practices, effective August 15, 2023, as follows: 505-6-.08.

PSC ACTION: Approved

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Vice Chair Kedrione Harris of the Educator Ethics Review Committee (EERC), gave a preliminary review of the cases.

1. Vice Chair Harris reported that the Committee reviewed 90 ***Probable Cause*** cases during the June, 2023, meeting and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the committee:

| <u>CASE</u> | <u>STANDARDS VIOLATED</u> | <u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u> |
|-------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 23-2-1041 | 5a6 | NPC |
| 23-2-1051 | 1, 4, 5a6 | NPC |
| 23-2-1091 | 5a2,5a4, 5a6 | Reprimand |
| 23-3-1135 | 1,5a6 | Reprimand |
| 23-3-1216 | 1,4,5a6 | Reprimand |
| 23-3-1226 | 1,5a6 | Reprimand |
| 23-3-1250 | 1,4,5a6 | Deny |
| 23-4-1364 | 1,5a6 | NPC |
| 23-4-1399 | 1,5a6 | NPC |
| 23-5-1458 | 1,4,5a6 | Reprimand |
| 23-5-1492 | 1,5a6 | Reprimand |
| 23-5-1497 | 1,5a6 | Deny |
| 22-1-856 | 4, 7, 9 | Suspension 90 days |
| 22-2-996 | 1,2,9, 5a6 | Extend pending criminal outcome |
| 22-6-1627 | 4, 9 | Suspension 90 days |
| 22-7-61 | 1,4,8,9, 5a6 | Revoke |
| 22-7-82 | 4,8,9, 5a6 | Revoke |
| 22-7-86 | 1,4,5a6,8,9 | Revoke |
| 22-8-143 | 1,4,8,9 | Suspension 20 days |
| 22-8-147 | 4,5a2,5a4, 5a6,8,9 | Revoke |
| 22-8-148 | 4,5a2, 5a4, 5a6, 9 | Revoke |
| 22-8-150 | 4,5a2, 5a4, 5a6, 9 | Revoke |
| 22-8-163 | 1,4,5a6,8,9 | Suspension 20 days |
| 22-8-242 | 9 | Suspension 90 days |
| 22-8-266 | 1,4,8,9, 5a6 | Revoke |
| 22-8-282 | 9 | Suspension 90 days |
| 22-8-285 | 1,4,8,9 | NPC |
| 22-9-443 | 1,4,8,9 | Suspension 20 days |
| 22-10-489 | 4,8,9, 5a2,5a4, 5a6 | Revoke |
| 22-10-523 | 1,4,8,9, 5a6 | Revoke |
| 22-10-540 | 9 | Suspension 90 days |
| 22-10-568 | 1,8, 5a6, 9 (2004), 10 (2004) | NPC |
| 22-10-602 | 4,5a2, 5a4, 5a6,8,9 | Revoke |
| 22-10-617 | 5, 9 | Suspension 90 days |
| 22-10-621 | 4,5a2, 5a4, 5a6,8,9 | Revoke |
| 22-11-645 | 9 | Suspension 10 days |
| 22-11-649 | 1,4,5a6,8,9 | NPC |

| <u>CASE</u> | <u>STANDARDS VIOLATED</u> | <u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u> |
|-------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 22-11-688 | 2, 4, 8, 9 | Suspension 10 days |
| 22-12-738 | 1,4,5a6,8,9 | Revoke |
| 22-12-753 | 2, 4, 9 | Reprimand |
| 22-12-795 | 2, 9 | Suspension 1 year |
| 22-12-798 | 4,5a2,5a4, 5a6,8,9 | Reprimand |
| 22-12-812 | 2, 9 | Reprimand |
| 23-2-929 | 1,4,8,9 | Suspension 20 days |
| 23-2-1009 | 9 | Suspension 90 days |
| 23-2-1024 | 9 | Suspension 10 days |
| 23-2-1031 | 9 | NPC |
| 23-2-1036 | 4, 5, 9 | NPC |
| 23-2-1079 | 9,10 | Reprimand |
| 23-2-1080 | 2, 9 | Suspension 1 year |
| 23-2-1081 | 1, 2,9,5a7 | Extend pending criminal outcome |
| 23-2-1086 | 1, 2, 3, 9 | Extend pending criminal outcome |
| 23-2-1094 | 9 | Reprimand |
| 23-2-1124 | 1, 2, 9 | Extend pending criminal outcome |
| 23-2-1125 | 3,9 | Suspension 1 year |
| 23-3-1130 | 2, 9 | Reprimand |
| 23-3-1131 | 1,2,9 | Extend pending criminal outcome |
| 23-3-1158 | 1,2,9 | Suspension 10 days |
| 23-3-1159 | 2, 9 | Suspension 20 days |
| 23-3-1165 | 9,10 | Reprimand |
| 23-3-1176 | 9 | Suspension 10 days |
| 23-3-1185 | 2, 9 | Reprimand |
| 23-3-1205 | 9 | Suspension 90 days |
| 23-3-1206 | 9 | Suspension 90 days |
| 23-3-1227 | 2,8,9 | Suspension 5 days |
| 23-3-1232 | 4, 5, 9 | NPC |
| 23-3-1240 | 1,2,9 | Extend pending criminal outcome |
| 23-3-1244 | 4, 8, 9 | Suspension 20 days |
| 23-3-1248 | 9 | NPC |
| 23-3-1258 | 2,9 | NPC |
| 23-3-1262 | 2,9 | NPC |
| 23-3-1271 | 2, 9 | Suspension 5 days |
| 23-3-1278 | 3, 9 | Reprimand |
| 23-3-1288 | 2,9 | Suspension 5 days |
| 23-4-1307 | 4, 9 | Reprimand |
| 23-4-1309 | 2,9 | NPC |
| 23-4-1310 | 9 | Suspension 20 days |
| 23-4-1311 | 9 | Suspension 5 days |
| 23-4-1323 | 5, 9 | Suspension 1 year |
| 23-4-1332 | 4, 8, 9, 5a2 | Suspension 20 days |

| <u>CASE</u> | <u>STANDARDS VIOLATED</u> | <u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u> |
|-------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 23-4-1335 | 7, 9 | NPC |
| 23-4-1343 | 2, 9 | Suspension 10 days |
| 23-4-1349 | 1, 2,9 | Extend pending criminal outcome |
| 23-4-1353 | 8, 9 | Reprimand |
| 23-4-1357 | 2, 9 | Extend pending criminal outcome |
| 23-4-1374 | 9 | NPC |
| 23-4-1376 | 1,4,8,9 | Reprimand |
| 23-5-1456 | 1,4,5a6,8,9 | Reprimand |
| 23-5-1565 | 5a2,5a4,5a6 | Reprimand |
| 23-5-1566 | 5a2, 5a4, 5a6, 8 9 | Reprimand |

2. Vice Chair Harris 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>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u> |
|-------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| 23-2-925 | Denial - July 24, 2020 | Deny |
| 23-2-971 | Denial - Oct 19, 2020 | Grant |

3. Vice Chair Harris reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 19 *Settlement Agreements* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

| <u>CASE</u> | <u>SANCTION</u> | <u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u> |
|-------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| 22-3-1057 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 22-7-15 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 22-8-160 | Suspension 90 days | Accept |
| 22-10-530 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 22-10-531 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 22-11-720 | Suspension 90 days | Accept |
| 23-1-818 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 23-1-910 | Suspension 20 days | Accept |
| 23-2-973 | Revocation | Accept |
| 23-2-1010 | Suspension 1 year | Accept |
| 23-2-1014 | Suspension 20 days | Accept |
| 23-2-1096 | Suspension 1 year | Accept |
| 23-3-1134 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 23-3-1164 | Suspension 1 year | Accept |
| 23-3-1175 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 23-3-1209 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 23-3-1214 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 23-3-1254 | Reprimand | Accept |

| <u>CASE</u> | <u>SANCTION</u> | <u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u> |
|-------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| 23-4-1309 | Suspension 90 days | Accept |

4. Vice Chair Harris reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 14 *Negotiated Settlement Agreements* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

| <u>CASE</u> | <u>NEGOTIATED SANCTION</u> | <u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u> |
|-------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 19-4-1502 | Suspension 2 years, 2 months | Accept |
| 19-7-84 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 21-3-827 | Suspension 1 year 9 months | Accept |
| 21-3-856 | Suspension 5 days | Accept |
| 21-8-158 | NPC | Accept |
| 22-1-751 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 22-6-1588 | Suspension 5 days | Accept |
| 22-8-226 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 22-10-546 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 22-10-615 | NFA | Accept |
| 22-11-634 | Suspension 5 days | Accept |
| 22-12-740 | Reprimand | Accept |
| 22-12-751 | Suspension 15 days | Accept |
| 22-12-784 | Reprimand | Accept |

5. OTHER BUSINESS

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

| <u>CASE</u> | <u>FINDINGS OF FACTS</u> | <u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u> |
|---------------|--|----------------------------|
| PCE 23-4-1318 | Additional complaint | Investigate |
| 22-4-1220 | Unable effect service & failure to respond to other attempts | Hold New App |
| 22-9-310 | Unable effect service. | Hold New App |
| 22-9-334 | Unable effect service. | Hold New App |
| 22-10-571 | Unable effect service. | Hold New App |
| 22-12-797 | Unable effect service. | Hold New App |

6. The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the *Preliminary Investigative Determination Report* consisting of 99 new complaints received during the months of May and June 2023.

7. VOLUNTARY SURRENDERS

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the 4 *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.

| CASE | STANDARDS VIOLATED | SANCTION | EERC RECOMMENDATION |
|-----------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 23-3-1302 | 2, 9 | Voluntary Surrender | Accept |
| 23-3-1305 | 2, 4, 9 | Voluntary Surrender | Accept |
| 23-4-1347 | 1, 9 | Voluntary Surrender | Accept |
| 23-4-1359 | 3, 4, 9 | Voluntary Surrender | Accept |

8. **EXTENSIONS – PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATIVE DETERMINATIONS**

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the 58 *Extensions - Preliminary Investigative Determinations* consisting of the following:

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| 23-5-1537 | 23-5-1623 | 23-5-1631 | 23-5-1639 | 23-5-1647 | 23-5-1669 | 23-6-1683 | 23-6-1691 |
| 23-5-1611 | 23-5-1624 | 23-5-1632 | 23-5-1640 | 23-5-1662 | 23-6-1670 | 23-6-1684 | 23-6-1692 |
| 23-5-1612 | 23-5-1625 | 23-5-1633 | 23-5-1641 | 23-5-1663 | 23-6-1677 | 23-6-1685 | |
| 23-5-1613 | 23-5-1626 | 23-5-1634 | 23-5-1642 | 23-5-1664 | 23-6-1678 | 23-6-1686 | |
| 23-5-1614 | 23-5-1627 | 23-5-1635 | 23-5-1643 | 23-5-1665 | 23-6-1679 | 23-6-1687 | |
| 23-5-1615 | 23-5-1628 | 23-5-1636 | 23-5-1644 | 23-5-1666 | 23-6-1680 | 23-6-1688 | |
| 23-5-1616 | 23-5-1629 | 23-5-1637 | 23-5-1645 | 23-5-1667 | 23-6-1681 | 23-6-1689 | |
| 23-5-1617 | 23-5-1630 | 23-5-1638 | 23-5-1646 | 23-5-1668 | 23-6-1682 | 23-6-1690 | |

9. **EXTENSIONS - INVESTIGATIONS**

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended granting an *Investigative Extension* to the following 56 cases:

| WRITTEN COMPLAINT EXTENSIONS | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 22-11-677 | 22-6-1654 | 23-1-845 | 23-1-894 | 23-2-977 | 23-2-1013 | 23-3-1171 | 23-3-1252 |
| 22-3-1196 | 22-6-1692 | 23-1-847 | 23-1-905 | 23-2-984 | 23-2-1033 | 23-3-1215 | 23-3-1255 |
| 22-3-1197 | 22-9-316 | 23-1-848 | 23-2-940 | 23-2-993 | 23-2-1048 | 23-3-1220 | 23-3-1263 |
| 22-4-1322 | 23-1-819 | 23-1-865 | 23-2-943 | 23-2-995 | 23-2-1054 | 23-3-1245 | 23-3-1264 |
| 22-4-1323 | 23-1-821 | 23-1-871 | 23-2-947 | 23-2-1002 | 23-2-1084 | 23-3-1246 | 23-3-1293 |
| 22-5-1483 | 23-1-829 | 23-1-872 | 23-2-948 | 23-2-1008 | 23-2-1110 | 23-3-1249 | 23-3-1294 |
| 22-6-1647 | 23-1-844 | 23-1-893 | 23-2-960 | 23-2-1012 | 23-3-1169 | 23-3-1251 | 23-3-1304 |

10. **APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION REPORT**

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended to approve a no probable cause determination on 22 cases reflected on the *Applications for Certification Report*.

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

The Commission reviewed the report, which advised of 23 cases now closed without an appeal for a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge.

12. **FINAL DECISIONS RENDERED BY AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE**

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended to accept the ALJ’s sanction on the following:

| <u>CASE</u> | <u>ORIGINAL SANCTION</u> | <u>ALJ SANCTION</u> | <u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u> |
|-------------|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 18-4-1393 | Revocation | Revocation | Accept |

Chair Sirmans called for approval of the Educator Ethics Review Committee report as present by Vice Chair Kedrione Harris.

PSC ACTION: Approved

Abstentions: Derek Easterling-PID cases 23-4-1412; 23-4-1413; 23-4-1426; 23-4-1427; 23-4-1428; 23-5-1450; 23-5-1451; 23-5-1513; 23-5-1514; 23-5-1537; 23-5-1552; 23-5-1553; 23-5-1554; PCE cases 23-3-1205; 23-3-1244; 23-3-1248; 22-1-856; Jimmy Atkins-PCE case 23-4-1353; NCO case 22-11-634; OB cases 22-9-334; 23-4-1318; Kedrione Harris-PCE 23-2-1086; Jane Rookard-PCE cases 22-8-143; 22-8-147; 23-4-1310; 23-4-1311; Clearance case 23-5-1463;

B. Educator Preparation Standing Committee

Committee Chair, Dr. Holley Roberts, presented the report of the Educator Preparation Standing Committee.

1. Bibb County School District – As a result of satisfactory progress indicated in the March 16, 2023, Progress Report, the Committee recommends removal of the following areas for improvement (AFIs) cited during the Fall 2019 Continuing Approval Review for the Educator Preparation Provider (EPP).
 - Standard 4.1 (Service/Leader)
 - Standard 4.3
 - Standard 4.4

In addition, the Committee recommends removal of the AFI in Standard 1.2 for the Gifted In-field and Teacher Support and Coaching Endorsements, and removal of the AFI in Standard 1.3 for the Gifted In-field and Reading Endorsements.

As a result of incremental progress evident in the March 16, 2023, Progress Report, the Committee recommends the AFI remain in Standard 1.1 for the following programs:

- Gifted In-Field Endorsement
- Reading Endorsement
- Teacher Support and Coaching Endorsement

Also, as a result of incremental progress evident in the March 16, 2023, Progress Report, the Committee recommends the stipulations remain in Standards 5.1 and 5.3 for the EPP. As a result, the Committee recommends that Standard 5 remain unmet.

The Committee recommends that the approval status for the EPP remain as Continuing Approval with Conditions, and the submission of a progress report due May 10, 2024, addressing all remaining stipulations and AFIs.

2. Clarke County School District – As a result of satisfactory indicated in the March 16, 2023, Progress

Report, the Committee recommends removal of the stipulations in Standards 2.2 and 3.1 cited during the Spring 2021 Continuing Approval Review for the Educator Preparation Provider

In addition, the Committee recommends removal of the AFI in Standard 1.1 for the Gifted In-field Endorsement.

Also, as a result of incremental progress evident in the March 16, 2023, Progress Report, the Committee recommends the stipulations remain in Standards 5.1, 5.3, and 5.5 for the EPP. As a result, the Committee recommends that Standard 5 remain unmet.

As a result of incremental progress evident in the March 16, 2023, Progress Report for the ESOL Endorsement, the Committee recommends the stipulation in Standard 1.1 be reclassified as an AFI, and the stipulation in Standard 1.3 be removed. The Committee also recommends the AFI in Standard 1.2 remain, and the AFIs in Standards 1.4 and 6.6 be removed for the ESOL Endorsement.

The Committee recommends that the approval status for the EPP remain as Continuing Approval with Conditions with the submission of a progress report due May 10, 2024, addressing all remaining stipulations and AFIs.

3. Truett McConnell University – As a result of satisfactory progress evident in the February 16, 2023, Progress Report, the Committee recommends removal of the following AFIs for the EPP.
 - Standard 1.1
 - Standard 5.1
 - Standard 5.3 (a)
 - Standard 5.3.(b)
 - Standard 5.4
 - Standard 5.5

Chair Sirmans called for approval of the Educator Preparation and Certification report as present by Chair Dr. Holley Roberts.

PSC ACTION: Approved

X. ADJOURNMENT

Our next Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, July 13th, at 4 pm. We will meet remotely and the information will be posted on our website under Commission Information. The Educator Ethics Review Committee and Educator Preparation and Certification Committee meeting will meet on Wednesday, July 12th, at 4:00 pm. Chair Sirmans called for the meeting to be adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

PSC ACTION: Approved