

MINUTES
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMISSION
Two Peachtree Street
Atlanta, Georgia
July 26, 2007

The Georgia Professional Standards Commission (PSC) met on Thursday, July 26, 2007, at 9 a.m.

Members Present

Sallie Bullock	Maria Miller	Dr. Craig Smith
Stephen Dartt	Lee Muns	Jeannie Tucker
Jean Ebron	Dr. Mary Outlaw	Hester Vasconcelos
Mary Gomez	Rose Powell	Dr. Wanda West
Pamela Greenway	Dr. Holly Robinson	Dr. Debbie Wilkes

Members Absent

Gary Bechtel	Maria Bradley
Dr. Louisa Moffitt	

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wilkes called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag and a moment of silence.

II. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Chair Wilkes recognized the visitors.

- Margaret Elliott, Professional Association of Georgia Educators
- Gayle Wooten, Professional Association of Georgia Educators
- Judy Carter, Fort Valley State University
- Eleanor K. Sikes, Fort Valley State University
- Cyndi Daniel
- Helen A. Cole, Lincoln Memorial University
- Fran Swantic, Lincoln Memorial University
- Joseph Huey, Savannah College of Art & Design
- Matthew and Serenity Graham

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chair Wilkes called for approval of the agenda.

MOTION: (Robinson / Miller) To approve the agenda.

PSC ACTION: Approved

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Wilkes called for approval of the minutes from the June 14, 2007, Commission meeting.

PSC ACTION: Approved

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Commissioner Maria Miller of the Educator Ethics Review Committee (EERC), gave a preliminary review of the Cases.

1. Ms. Miller reported that the Committee reviewed 59 **Probable Cause** cases during its July 25, 2007, meeting and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

#	CASE #	STANDARDS VIOLATED	RECOMMENDATION
1	06-11-545	Criminal Acts Misrepresentation or Falsification	Revocation
2	07-3-1069	Criminal Acts Abuse of Students Professional Conduct Action Taken in Another State O.C.G.A. 20-3-295	Denial
3	07-5-1294	Criminal Acts Misrepresentation or Falsification Failure to Make a Required Report	Reprimand
4	07-6-1387	Criminal Acts Misrepresentation or Falsification Failure to Make a Required Report	Reprimand
5	07-6-1399	Criminal Acts Misrepresentation or Falsification	Denial
6	07-6-1400	Action Taken in Another State	No Probable Cause
7	07-6-1402	Criminal Acts Misrepresentation or Falsification Failure to Make a Required Report	Reprimand
8	07-6-1405	Criminal Acts	Reprimand
9	07-6-1406	Action Taken in Another State Criminal Acts	Reprimand
10	07-6-1410	Criminal Acts O.C.G.A. 16-13-111	Reprimand
11	07-6-1411	Action Taken in Another State Misrepresentation or Falsification Failure to Make a Required Report Criminal Acts	Denial
12	07-6-1413	Action Taken in Another State Misrepresentation or Falsification Failure to Make a Required Report	Reprimand
13	07-6-1414	Criminal Acts Failure to Make a Required Report	Reprimand
14	07-6-1419	Professional Conduct Action Taken in Another State	Reprimand
15	07-6-1437	Criminal Acts Misrepresentation or Falsification Failure to Make a Required Report	Reprimand

#	CASE #	STANDARDS VIOLATED	RECOMMENDATION
16	06-8-172	Criminal Acts Professional Conduct	Revocation
17	06-11-447	Abuse of Students Misrepresentation or Falsification Professional Conduct	Extend Probable Cause Determination Pending Outcome of Criminal Case
18	06-11-448	Criminal Acts Professional Conduct	Revocation
19	06-11-500	Criminal Acts Alcohol or Drugs Failure to Make a Required Report Professional Conduct	Revocation
20	06-11-542	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Suspension – 2 Years
21	07-1-679	Confidential Information Professional Conduct	Reprimand
22	07-1-683	Misrepresentation or Falsification Professional Conduct	Suspension - 20 Contract Days
23	07-1-754	Professional Conduct	Suspension - 90 Contract Days
24	07-1-838	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Suspension -5 Contract Days
25	07-1-844	Criminal Acts Public Funds and Property Professional Conduct	Suspension -90 Contract Days
26	07-2-918	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Reprimand
27	07-2-972	Abuse of Students Misrepresentation or Falsification Failure to Make a Required Report Professional Conduct O.C.G.A. 20-3-295	Reprimand
28	07-2-976	Alcohol and Drugs Professional Conduct	Revocation
29	07-2-994	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Reprimand
30	07-3-997	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Suspension - 20 Contract Days
31	07-3-999	Criminal Acts Public Funds and Property Professional Conduct	VOLUNTARY SURRENDER
32	07-3-1022	Misrepresentation or Falsification Failure to Make a Required Report Professional Conduct O.C.G.A. 20-3-295	Denial
33	07-3-1023	Misrepresentation or Falsification Professional Conduct	Suspension - 45 Contract Days
34	07-3-1026	Criminal Acts	No Probable Cause
35	07-3-1037	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Suspend – 1 Year
36	07-3-1084	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Suspension - 90 Contract Days

#	CASE #	STANDARDS VIOLATED	RECOMMENDATION
37	07-3-1113	Abuse of Students	Reprimand
38	07-4-1116	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct O.C.G.A. 20-2-731(3)	Suspension - 20 Contract Days
39	07-4-1166	Alcohol or Drugs Professional Conduct	Revocation
40	07-4-1170	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Reprimand
41	07-4-1176	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Suspension - 45 Contract Days
42	07-4-1177	Professional Conduct	Reprimand
43	07-4-1181	Criminal Acts Professional Conduct	Extend Probable Cause Determination Pending Outcome of Criminal Case
44	07-4-1184	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Suspension - 60 Contract Days
45	07-4-1198	Criminal Acts Misrepresentation or Falsification Failure to Make a Required Report	Reprimand
46	07-4-1199	Misrepresentation or Falsification Confidential Information Professional Conduct	No Probable Cause
47	07-4-1200	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Suspension -20 Contract Days
48	07-4-1203	Professional Conduct	Reprimand
49	07-5-1211	Criminal Acts Abuse of Students Professional Conduct Other Good and Sufficient Cause	Revocation
50	07-5-1257	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Suspension - 10 Contract Days
51	07-5-1260	Criminal Acts Misrepresentation or Falsification Failure to Make a Required Report	Reprimand
52	07-5-1264	Alcohol or Drugs Professional Conduct	Suspension - 90 Contract Days
53	07-5-1265	Confidential Information Professional Conduct	No Recommendation
54	07-5-1266	Confidential Information Professional Conduct DOE Rule 160-3-1-.07	No Recommendation
55	07-5-1277	Confidential Information Professional Conduct	Suspension - 20 Contract Days
56	07-5-1307	Criminal Acts Abuse of Students Public Funds and Property Professional Conduct Other Good and Sufficient Cause	Extend Probable Cause Determination Pending Outcome of Criminal Case
57	07-5-1333	Criminal Acts Professional Conduct Other Good and Sufficient Cause	Extend Probable Cause Determination Pending Outcome of Criminal Case

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#	CASE #	STANDARDS VIOLATED	RECOMMENDATION
58	07-5-1346	Confidential Information Professional Conduct DOE Rule 160-3-1-.07	Suspension - 20 Contract Days
59	07-6-1386	Criminal Acts Professional Conduct	Reprimand

PSC ACTION: Approved

Abstention: Hester Vasconcelos – Case # 07-5-1206

Case # 07-5-1265

MOTION: (Ebron / Miller) To grant a 5 Contract Day Suspension.

ACTION: Approved

Opposed: Stephen Dartt, Dr. Craig Smith, Rose Powell, Lee Muns

Case # 07-5-1266

MOTION: (Muns / Greenway) To grant a 10 Contract Day Suspension.

ACTION: Approved

Opposed: Stephen Dartt, Dr. Craig Smith

2. Ms. Miller reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 3 *Initial Decisions* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

CASE NUMBER	STANDARDS VIOLATED	PROBABLE CAUSE SANCTION	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE SANCTION	RECOMMENDATION
04-3-1382	Public Funds and Property Professional Conduct	Suspension – 1 Year	Suspension – 4 Months	Accept
05-4-1550	Criminal Acts Professional Conduct	Revocation	Revocation	Accept
05-5-1681	Criminal Acts Public Funds and Property Professional Conduct	Revocation	Revocation with Stipulation	Review

PSC ACTION: Approved

2. Ms. Miller reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 4 *Petitions Issues* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

CASE NUMBER	REQUEST	PREVIOUS SANCTION	PREVIOUS VIOLATION	RECOMM.
05-9-385	Early Reinstatement of a Suspended Certificate	Suspended 1 year 3/23/07 – 3/23/08	Criminal Acts Abuse of Students Misrepresentation / Falsification Professional Conduct	Deny

CASE NUMBER	REQUEST	PREVIOUS SANCTION	PREVIOUS VIOLATION	RECOMM.
03-1-1528	Early Reinstatement of a Suspended Certificate	Suspended 2 Years 11/24/06 -11/24/08	Criminal Acts Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Deny
04-8-221	Right to Petition for Right to Reapply Earlier than Three Year Waiting Period	Revocation: 7/27/06	Criminal Acts Misrepresentation / Falsification Failure to Report	Deny
07-2-903	Right to Reapply	Denial: 11/20/04	Criminal Acts Misrepresentation / Falsification	Grant

PSC ACTION: Approved

4. Ms. Miller reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 17 *Settlement Agreements* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

#	CASE NUMBER	SANCTION	RECOMMENDATION
1	07-1-706	Reprimand	Accept
2	07-1-797	Reprimand	Accept
3	07-1-788	Warning	Accept
4	07-1-837	Reprimand	Accept
5	07-2-904	Suspension – 5 Contract Days	Accept
6	07-2-935	Suspension – 90 Contract Days	Accept
7	07-2-993	Suspension – 5 Contract Days	Accept
8	07-3-1055	Suspension – 90 Contract Days	Accept
9	07-3-1060	Reprimand	Accept
10	07-3-1065	Reprimand	Accept
11	07-3-1079	Suspension – 1 Year	Accept
12	07-3-1085	Reprimand	Accept
13	07-3-1096	Reprimand	Accept
14	07-3-1112	Reprimand	Accept
15	07-4-1167	Reprimand	Accept
16	07-5-1290	Reprimand	Accept
17	07-5-1299	Reprimand	Accept

PSC ACTION: Approved

5. Ms. Miller reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 11 *Negotiated Settlement Agreements* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

CASE NUMBER	STANDARDS VIOLATED	PROBABLE CAUSE SANCTION	NEGOTIATED SANCTION	RECOMMENDATION
04-2-1159	Criminal Acts Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Revocation	Revocation	Accept
04-7-99	Misrepresentation or Falsification	Suspension – 3 Months	Suspension – 3 Months	Accept
05-6-1866	Criminal Acts Professional Conduct	Suspension - 90 Contract Days	Reprimand	Accept
06-1-772	Professional Conduct	Suspension - 10 Contract Days	Reprimand	Accept
06-3-970	Professional Conduct	Suspension – One Year	Suspension – One Year	Accept
06-3-992	Criminal Acts Misrepresentation or Falsification Professional Conduct	Denial	Reprimand	Accept
06-6-1341	Criminal Acts Professional Conduct	Suspension - 90 Contract Days	Suspension - 90 Contract Days	Accept
06-6-1378	Misrepresentation or Falsification Professional Conduct	Suspension - 90 Contract Days	Suspension - 90 Contract Days With 25 Days Credit	Accept
06-10-417	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Suspension – 20 Contract Days	No Probable Cause	Reject
06-11-480	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Denial	Reprimand	Accept
06-12-625	Alcohol or Drugs Professional Conduct	Revocation	Suspension – 1 Year	Accept

PSC ACTION: Approved

6. The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the *Preliminary Investigative Determination Report* consisting of 98 new complaints received during the months of June and July 2007.

PSC ACTION: Approved

7. EXTENSIONS – INVESTIGATIONS

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended that the Professional Standards Commission grant an *Investigative Extension* to the following 83 Written Complaints and 147 Application cases:

WRITTEN COMPLAINT EXTENSIONS:

06-5-1243	07-4-1195	07-6-1372	07-4-1197	07-5-1335	07-5-1280	07-4-1174	07-5-1326	07-5-1342
06-11-505	07-4-1205	07-6-1382	07-4-1201	07-5-1336	07-5-1282	07-4-1182	07-5-1340	07-6-1396
07-1-749	07-5-1209	07-6-1394	07-4-1202	07-5-1350	07-5-1324	07-4-1183	07-6-1360	07-6-1397
07-1-836	07-5-1248	07-1-849	07-5-1249	07-6-1373	07-5-1331	07-5-1207	07-6-1395	
07-2-934	07-5-1258	07-2-971	07-5-1263	07-6-1393	07-5-1339	07-5-1221	07-6-1398	
07-3-1000	07-5-1267	07-3-1115	07-5-1276	07-3-1100	07-5-1345	07-5-1262	07-3-1108	
07-3-1101	07-5-1325	07-4-1130	07-5-1281	07-4-1129	07-5-1347	07-5-1283	07-4-1122	
07-3-1105	07-5-1329	07-4-1169	07-5-1287	07-5-1246	07-5-1348	07-5-1285	07-5-1302	
07-4-1118	07-5-1337	07-4-1173	07-5-1309	07-5-1247	07-6-1392	07-5-1305	07-5-1304	
07-4-1185	07-5-1338	07-4-1178	07-5-1327	07-5-1275	07-3-1038	07-5-1308	07-5-1321	

APPLICATION CASE EXTENSIONS:

07-1-816	07-6-1435	07-6-1460	07-6-1484	07-6-1507	07-6-1543	07-6-1565	07-6-1621	07-6-1658	07-7-45
07-3-1071	07-6-1438	07-6-1461	07-6-1485	07-6-1508	07-6-1545	07-6-1566	07-6-1622	07-6-1659	07-7-46
07-3-1094	07-6-1439	07-6-1462	07-6-1487	07-6-1509	07-6-1546	07-6-1567	07-6-1626	07-6-1660	07-7-47
07-5-1297	07-6-1440	07-6-1463	07-6-1488	07-6-1531	07-6-1547	07-6-1600	07-6-1627	07-7-1	07-7-48
07-5-1298	07-6-1441	07-6-1464	07-6-1489	07-6-1532	07-6-1548	07-6-1604	07-6-1631	07-7-2	07-7-49
07-5-1310	07-6-1442	07-6-1465	07-6-1491	07-6-1533	07-6-1549	07-6-1605	07-6-1632	07-7-3	07-7-50
07-5-1312	07-6-1443	07-6-1466	07-6-1492	07-6-1534	07-6-1550	07-6-1608	07-6-1633	07-7-4	07-7-51
07-6-1403	07-6-1444	07-6-1467	07-6-1493	07-6-1535	07-6-1553	07-6-1609	07-6-1634	07-7-6	07-7-52
07-6-1404	07-6-1445	07-6-1468	07-6-1494	07-6-1536	07-6-1554	07-6-1610	07-6-1638	07-7-7	07-7-53
07-6-1409	07-6-1446	07-6-1469	07-6-1499	07-6-1537	07-6-1555	07-6-1614	07-6-1639	07-7-8	07-7-54
07-6-1415	07-6-1447	07-6-1472	07-6-1501	07-6-1538	07-6-1557	07-6-1615	07-6-1640	07-7-9	07-7-55
07-6-1418	07-6-1448	07-6-1473	07-6-1503	07-6-1539	07-6-1558	07-6-1616	07-6-1641	07-7-10	07-7-57
07-6-1421	07-6-1450	07-6-1474	07-6-1504	07-6-1540	07-6-1561	07-6-1617	07-6-1642	07-7-11	
07-6-1428	07-6-1453	07-6-1475	07-6-1505	07-6-1541	07-6-1563	07-6-1618	07-6-1644	07-7-12	
07-6-1434	07-6-1457	07-6-1477	07-6-1506	07-6-1542	07-6-1564	07-6-1619	07-6-1657	07-7-13	

PSC ACTION: Approved

8. EXTENSIONS - PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATIVE DETERMINATIONS - NEW COMPLAINTS

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended extending the following 51 *Preliminary Investigations* by an additional thirty days:

CASE #	Complaint Received	CASE #	Complaint Received
07-6-1510	6/5/2007	07-6-1573	6/18/2007
07-6-1511	6/5/2007	07-6-1574	6/20/2007
07-6-1512	6/5/2007	07-6-1575	6/20/2007
07-6-1513	6/5/2007	07-6-1576	6/20/2007
07-6-1514	6/5/2007	07-6-1577	6/20/2007
07-6-1515	6/6/2007	07-6-1578	6/20/2007
07-6-1516	6/6/2007	07-6-1579	6/20/2007
07-6-1517	6/6/2007	07-6-1580	6/20/2007
07-6-1518	6/6/2007	07-6-1581	6/20/2007
07-6-1519	6/6/2007	07-6-1582	6/20/2007
07-6-1520	6/6/2007	07-6-1583	6/20/2007
07-6-1521	6/6/2007	07-6-1584	6/20/2007
07-6-1522	6/11/2007	07-6-1585	6/20/2007
07-6-1523	6/11/2007	07-6-1586	6/20/2007
07-6-1524	6/13/2007	07-6-1587	6/21/2007
07-6-1525	6/13/2007	07-6-1588	6/21/2007
07-6-1526	6/13/2007	07-6-1589	6/21/2007
07-6-1527	6/13/2007	07-6-1590	6/21/2007
07-6-1528	6/13/2007	07-6-1591	6/21/2007
07-6-1529	6/13/2007	07-6-1592	6/21/2007
07-6-1530	6/13/2007	07-6-1593	6/25/2007
07-6-1568	6/14/2007	07-6-1594	6/25/2007
07-6-1569	6/14/2007	07-6-1645	6/22/2007
07-6-1570	6/15/2007	07-6-1646	6/22/2007
07-6-1571	6/18/2007	07-6-1654	6/11/2007
07-6-1572	6/18/2007		

PSC ACTION: Approved

9. **APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION REPORT**

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended to approve a no probable cause determination on 80 cases reflected on the *Applications for Certification Report*.

PSC ACTION:

10. **REVIEW HEARING EXTENSIONS**

The Commission reviewed the *Review Hearing Extensions Report* concerning 3 hearing cases. An Administrative Law Judge rendered Initial Decisions on each case referenced in the report. The report indicates Orders were issued.

PSC ACTION: Approved

11. VOLUNTARY SURRENDERS / VOLUNTARY DENIALS

Educator / Applicant Voluntarily Accepted a Sanction of Revocation or Denial prior to the submission of an Investigative Case Summary for a Probable Cause Determination. The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended that the Professional Standards Commission accept all *Voluntary Surrenders*.

CASE NUMBER	SANCTION	STANDARDS VIOLATED	RECOMM.
07-3-999	Revocation	Criminal Acts Public Funds and Property Professional Conduct	Accept
07-5-1206	Revocation	Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Accept
07-5-1253	Revocation	Criminal Acts Abuse of Students Professional Conduct	Accept

PSC ACTION: Approved

12. STUDENT LOAN SUSPENSION / REINSTATEMENTS

The Commission reviewed the report, which indicated that there were 4 certificates suspended from June 14, 2007 through July 26, 2007. There were 7 certificates that had been reinstated because restitution is now being made on those student loans. The Commission was also advised that there were 8 issues where notification had been received to suspend but releases were received prior to the actual suspension being implemented. Restitution is now being made on those student loans.

13. FINAL DECISIONS BY OPERATION OF LAW

The Commission reviewed the report, which advised of 18 cases now closed without an appeal for a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge. The report also advised that there were 4 cases closed without an appeal for a review hearing before the Commission.

B. Educator Preparation Standing Committee

Committee Chair, Dr. Craig Smith, presented the report of the Educator Preparation Standing Committee.

Institution/Agency	Recommendation
Macon State College	Developmental Approval for the professional education unit, the Early Childhood/Special Education program, the Biology Education program, and the Mathematics Education program.
Savannah College of Art & Design	Developmental Approval for the professional education unit, the Art Education M.A.T. program, and the Drama Education M.A.T. program.
Shorter College	Developmental Approval for the Curriculum & Instruction M.Ed. advanced preparation program.
Albany State University	Developmental Approval for the Reading Endorsement Program.
Kennesaw State University	Developmental Approval for the English for Speakers of Other Languages M.A.T. program.
Clayton County Schools	Developmental Approval for the One-Year Supervised Practicum Program.

Institution/Agency	Recommendation
Emory University	Continuing Approval for the following secondary M.A.T. programs: Biology Education, Chemistry Education, Earth and Space Science Education, Economics Education, English Education, Geography Education, History Education, Mathematics Education, Middle Grades Education, Physics Education, Political Science Education, and Broad Field Science Education.
Agnes Scott College	<p>The Progress Report demonstrates that progress is being made in addressing the areas for improvement cited for the Biology Education, Chemistry Education, Mathematics Education, and Physics Education M.A.T. programs. Three of the four areas for improvement cited on Standard 2 may be removed, as well as the areas for improvement cited on Standards 3 and 4. One area for improvement cited on Standard 2 and two areas for improvement cited on Standard 6 shall remain.</p> <p>Continuing progress shall be reported in the Annual Report and shall include information addressing the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visiting faculty – describe the rationale for inviting them and the length of their contracts. • How does the MAT budget compare to the budget for other education programs (initial undergraduate programs)?
Berry College	The Progress Report demonstrates that progress is satisfactory. The areas for improvement may be removed, the status of Standard 3 may be changed to Met, and the approval status may be changed to Continuing Approval for the Educational Leadership program.
Covenant College	The Progress Report demonstrates that satisfactory progress has been made. All remaining areas for improvement cited for the initial preparation programs in Early Childhood Para-pro Completion, Broad Field Science Education, Mathematics Education, History Education, English Education, Educational Leadership, and the ESOL Endorsement may be removed.
Emmanuel College	The Progress Report demonstrates that satisfactory progress has been made. The areas for improvement cited for the professional education unit and the educator preparation programs may be removed. The status of Standard 1 may be changed to Met and approval status may be changed to Continuing Approval for the professional education unit and the educator preparation programs.
Fort Valley State University	The Progress Report demonstrates that satisfactory progress has been made. The remaining areas for improvement cited for the initial programs in Agriculture Education and Middle Grades Education may be removed.
LaGrange College	Progress is unsatisfactory; there was not enough documentation in the Progress Report to adequately assess progress. Areas for improvement shall remain.
Reinhardt College	The Progress Report demonstrates that satisfactory progress has been made. The area for improvement cited for Standard 2 may be removed for the Biology Education, English Education and Music Education programs.
<p>Thomas University</p> <p>April 2007 Quarterly Progress Report required by PSC after delay of 2007 on-site Continuing Approval Review</p>	<p>Regarding the Commission's Recommendation that the University shall assure that the teacher education programs are supported by adequate faculty, the Progress Report demonstrates that satisfactory progress has been made.</p> <p>Regarding the Commission's Recommendation that the University shall report to the Commission quarterly on its progress toward preparing for the</p>

Institution/Agency	Recommendation
	fall 2008 on-site review, the Progress Report demonstrates that satisfactory progress has been made.
Wesleyan College	<p>Documentation provided in the Progress Report was inadequate to evaluate progress made in addressing the areas for improvement cited for Standards 1, 2, and 6. Progress is therefore unsatisfactory and these areas for improvement shall remain.</p> <p>The Progress Report demonstrates that progress is satisfactory in addressing the area for improvement cited on Standard 4. The area for improvement may be removed.</p>
Heart of GA RESA – TAPP	The Progress Report demonstrates that satisfactory progress has been made. The remaining areas for improvement cited on Standards 2, 3, and 6 may be removed.
Metro RESA – ESOL Endorsement	The Progress Report demonstrates that satisfactory has been made. The areas for improvement cited for the ESOL Endorsement may be removed.
Northeast GA RESA – ECE Math, ESOL, and Reading Endorsements	<p><u>ECE Math Endorsement and Reading Endorsement</u> The Progress Report is unsatisfactory; areas for improvement remain. (A focused visit is required for November 2007.)</p> <p><u>ESOL Endorsement</u> The Progress Report is unsatisfactory; areas for improvement remain. In the next progress report due November 30, 2007 address the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide aggregated data related to the assessment of candidate dispositions. • Describe how the unit will ensure diversity of field experience placements for all candidates • Describe how the field experience placements are made for individual candidates • Provide aggregated data related to field experience placements
Pioneer RESA – Gifted and Reading Endorsements	The Progress Report demonstrates that satisfactory progress has been made. The areas for improvement cited for the Gifted Endorsement and the Reading Endorsement may be removed.
West GA RESA – OYSP	The Progress Report demonstrates that satisfactory progress has been made. The areas for improvement cited for Guideline 5 may be removed and approval status may be changed to Developmental Approval.
Clayton County Schools – Gifted and Reading Endorsements	The Progress Report demonstrates that satisfactory progress has been made. The areas for improvement cited for the Gifted Endorsement and Reading Endorsement may be removed.
Cobb County Schools – Gifted Endorsement	The Progress Report demonstrates that satisfactory progress has been made. The areas for improvement cited for the Gifted Endorsement may be removed.
DeKalb County Schools – TSS Endorsement	The Progress Report demonstrates that satisfactory progress has been made. The remaining area for improvement cited for the TSS Endorsement may be removed.

PSC ACTION: Approved

Abstention: Dr. Mary Outlaw – Berry College

VI. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

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A. Dr. Toth announced that NASDTEC will have their 11th Annual Professional Practices Institute Conference on October 17-19, 2007 in Orlando, Florida and that all commissioners are welcome to come.

B. Dr. Toth gave the powerpoint presentation that he presented at the GAEL conference to the commissioners.

C. Dr. Mary Outlaw requested that the commission receive an overview of testing violations broken down by school level (elementary, middle school and high school) and system.

D. Phil Blackwell and Penney McRoy presented rules for initiation to the commission.

MOTION: (Greenway / Robinson) To initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedures Act so as to provide for (1) adopting new rules for Chapter 505-2 (Certification), effective October 15, 2007, as follows: 505-2-.04 and add the option that an individual holding an ADAC Certificate for less than three years may, at the request of an employing school system, switch out of the Advanced Degree Alternative Certificate Program (ADAC) route into another certificate route under the following conditions listed in the rules with the addition of the following: An individual holding a valid ADAC Certificate who has successfully passed the Basic Skills Assessment and has been accepted into a Georgia TAPP program may: exit from the ADAC Program; convert the ADAC Certificate to an Intern certificate; complete the appropriate Georgia Content Assessments (s); complete the TAPP program and Special Georgia requirements and be recommended for a Clear Renewable Certificate. In this situation, the validity period of the Intern certificate must be two years. The total amount of validity time of the combined ADAC and Intern certificates will not exceed five years. and (2) adopting new rules for Chapter 505-3 (educator Preparation), effective October 15, 2007, as follows: 505-3-.06

ACTION: Approved

E. There was a discussion regarding the procedures for amending the Code of Ethics. Dr. Gary Walker spoke briefly about the Code of Ethics and gave the commissioners handouts which included "Legal Authority for Educator Ethics Investigations in Georgia" and "Educator Professional Practices Survey of States: Report of Results" and the Code of Ethics for Educators.

VII. CHAIR'S REPORT

A. Chair Wilkes announced that the commissioners listed below terms expired this month, however, they would still serve on the commission until a replacement was appointed by the governor. She also thanked them for all of their time and effort.

Mary Gomez

Dr. Wanda West

Maria Miller

Jean Ebron

B. Chair Wilkes announced that the next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 13th, 2007 in Atlanta.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Wilkes called for the meeting to be adjourned at 12:00 noon.

PSC ACTION: Approved