MINUTES

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMISSION Remote Meeting via TEAMS Platform

March 14, 2024

The Georgia Professional Standards Commission (PSC) met on Thursday, March 14, 2024.

Members Present

Jimmy Atkins Jordan Frobos Kedrione Harris Mark Kauffman Dr. Franklin Perry <u>Members Absent</u> Brian Sirmans Derek Easterling Jeanine Bunn Nathan Lewis Abigail Coggin Dr. Holley Roberts Jane Rookard Dr. Brandon Seigler Beth Townsend Dr. Jennifer Wade Carol Williams Dr. Judi Wilson Vonda Woodall

I. <u>CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL</u>

Vice Chair, Dr. Franklin Perry, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and Commissioners answered roll call for attendance.

II. VISITORS

Vice Chair, Dr. Franklin Perry welcomed the visitors.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Vice Chair, Dr. Franklin Perry, called for approval of the agenda.

MOTION: (Beth Townsend / Kedrione Harris) To approve the agenda. **PSC ACTION:** Approved

IV. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

Vice Chair, Dr. Franklin Perry, called for approval of the February 8, 2024 minutes.

PSC ACTION: Approved

V. <u>EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT</u>

<u>Ethics Symposium</u> – A reminders that the Ethics Symposium, will be held on March 26-27th at Middle Georgia State University's Robert F. Hatcher, Sr., Conference Center. The theme is *Prevention and Correction: Fostering Professional Practice*. We will have a full house and we look forward to seeing everyone. <u>Legislative Session</u> – The legislative session will end on March 28th. One of the bills that pertain to us is the

Georgia Senate Bill 379, known as the School Chaplains Act and it is currently in committee. Matt will keep us updated on bills that pertain to education as news unfold.

<u>Senate Appropriation Committee</u> – Matt spoke on budget and there were no questions.

VI. <u>RULES ADOPTION</u>

Anne Marie Fenton presented the rules for adoption consideration. These rules Certification rules and Educator Preparation rules were initiated by Commissioners at the January 11th Commission meeting. These rules, if adopted, will become effective April 15, 2024.

MOTION: (Beth Townsend / Jimmy Atkins) To amend the current rules in Chapter 505-2- Certification, effective April 15, 2024, as follows: 505-2-.02, 505-2-.10, 505-2-.14, 505-2-.22, 505-2-.26, and 505-2-.57; amend the current rule in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation Rules, effective April 15, 2024, as follows: 505-3-.77; repeal the current rule in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation rules, effective April 15, 2024, as follows: 505-3-.65; and adopt the current rule in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation rules, effective April 15, 2024, as follows: 505-3-.65; and adopt the current rule in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation rules, effective April 15, 2024, as follows: 505-3-.65.

PSC ACTION: Approved

Certification

505-2-.02 CLASSIFICATION

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.02 CLASSIFICATION, dated January 1, 2020, be AMENDED to update certification terminology.

505-2-.10 PERMIT It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.10 PERMIT, dated July 1, 2022, be AMENDED to update certification terminology.

505-2-.14 ENDORSEMENTS

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.14 ENDORSEMENTS, dated January 1, 2020, be AMENDED to update certification terminology.

505-2-.22 CERTIFICATION BY STATE-APPROVED PROGRAM It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.22 CERTIFICATION BY STATE-APPROVED PROGRAM, dated July 1, 2020, be AMENDED to update certification terminology.

505-2-.26 CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE ASSESSMENTS

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.26 CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE ASSESSMENTS, dated July 1, 2020, be AMENDED to update certification terminology.

505-2-.57 TEACHING FIELDS

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.57 TEACHING FIELDS, dated July 1, 2020, be AMENDED to update certification terminology.

Educator Preparation

505-3-.65 MEDIA SPECIALIST PROGRAM

It is proposed that GaPSC Educator Preparation Rule 505-3-.65 MEDIA SPECIALIST PROGRAM, dated April 15, 2016, be REPEALED and that a new rule with the same number and a different title, SCHOOL LIBRARIAN PROGRAM, be ADOPTED. The new rule addresses the following standards adapted from the standards published by the American Association of School Librarians, 2019.

505-3-.77 EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.77 EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM dated July 1, 2023, be AMENDED to clarify Tier II program admission requirements, and to clarify determination of leadership positions. Other edits are included to remove references to an outdated set of guidelines and to correct capitalization errors.

For the 2nd rules action, Anne Marie presented the rules Educator Preparation rules for initiation. If initiated, these proposed rules will be posted for a 30 day public comment and come back before you in May for your adoption consideration. If adopted, the educator preparation rules will become effective June 15, 2024.

Educator Preparation

505-3-.01 REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS FOR APPROVING EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDERS AND EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.01, REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS FOR APPROVING EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDERS AND EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS dated January 1, 2024, be AMENDED to: Clarify that candidates are responsible for applying for the Pre-Service Certificate; add EPP deadlines for entering in TPMS the beginning of clinical practice and supervising teacher Cert ID; revise the definition of LUA to make it consistent with the definition used in Certification rules; and to make non-substantive updates in terminology.

505-3-.76 ALTERNATIVE PREPARATION FOR EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.76, ALTERNATIVE PREPARATION FOR EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM dated January 1, 2024, be AMENDED to clarify determination of leadership positions. Other edits are included to remove references to an outdated set of guidelines, and to make capitalization and other minor/non-substantive adjustments.

MOTION: (Beth Townsend / Brandon Seigler) To (1) amend the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation Rules, effective June 15, 2024, as follows: 505-3-.01, and 505-3-.76. **PSC ACTION**: Approved

VII. <u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>

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

Chair Beth Townsend of the Educator Ethics Review Committee (EERC), gave a preliminary review of the cases.

1. Chair Townsend reported that the Committee reviewed 104 *Probable Cause* cases during March 13, 2024, meeting and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the committee:

CASE	STANDARDS VIOLATED	RECOMMENDATION	EERC RECOMMENDATION
23-10-637	1,4,5a6	NPC	Accept
23-10-732	1,4, 5a2,5a6,5a7 (2010-2022)	HNA	Accept
23-11-937	5a2,5a6, 5a7 (2020-2022)	HNA	Accept
23-11-1000	1, 5a6	HNA	Accept
23-12-1123	1,4,5a6	NPC	Accept
23-12-1154	1,5a6	Reprimand	Accept
23-12-1190	1,5a6	Reprimand	Accept
23-12-1196	1,5a2,5a6	Reprimand	Accept
24-1-1200	1,5a6	NPC	Accept
24-1-1247	1,4,5a6,5a7 (2010-2022)	Deny	Accept
24-1-1275	1,5a5,5a6	HNA	Accept
24-1-1317	1,4,5a6	Reprimand	Accept
24-1-1383	1, 5a6,5a7 (2018-2022)	HNA	Accept
24-1-1403	4,5a5,5a6	Deny	Accept
19-10-570	1, 9, 5a7	NPC	Accept
22-2-996	1,4,5a7 (2022,8,9	Reprimand	Accept
23-3-1169	1,4,5a6,8,9	Revocation	Accept
23-3-1171	1,4,5a6,8,9	Revocation	Accept
23-3-1215	1,4,5a6,8,9	Revocation	Accept
23-3-1245	1,4,5a6,5a7 (2018-2022), 8,9	Reprimand	Accept
23-3-1280			Accept
23-4-1389	4,5a2, 5a6,8,9	Revocation	Accept
23-4-1416	1, 9	NPC	Accept
23-5-1544	1,4,5a6,8,9	Revocation	Accept
23-5-1656	1,4,5a6, 5a7 (2022), 8,9	Revocation	Accept
23-6-1742	4, 7, 9, 10	90 day suspension	Accept
23-6-1766	4, 9, 10	90 day suspension	Accept
23-6-1772	9	90 day suspension	Accept
23-6-1773	9	90 day suspension	Accept
23-6-1776	1,9	NPC	Accept
23-7-56	3, 9	1 year suspension	Accept
23-7-71	1,4,5a6,8,9	Revocation	Accept
23-7-93	1, 3. 4, 8, 9	30 day suspension	Accept
23-8-130	1,4,5a6, 5a7 (2013-2022), 8,9	Revocation	Accept
23-8-150	1,4,5a6, 5a7 (2014-2022),8,9	Revocation	Accept
23-8-160	1,4,5a6,5a7 (2016-2022,8,9	Revocation	Accept
23-8-167	1,4,5a6,5a7 (2012-2022),8,9	Revocation	Accept
23-8-182	5a2, 5a6, 5a7 (2008-2022), 8,9	Revocation	Accept
23-8-223	2, 9	Reprimand	Accept

CASE	STANDARDS VIOLATED	RECOMMENDATION	EERC RECOMMENDATION
23-8-312	9, 5a2, 5a5, 5a7	Reprimand	Accept
23-8-333	4, 9	Reprimand	Accept
23-8-342	9	90 day suspension	Accept
23-8-358	9, 5a6	10 day suspension	Accept
23-8-398	1, 2, 9	30 day suspension	Accept
23-8-406	9	NPC	Accept
23-9-488	2, 9	10 day suspension	Accept
23-9-505	3, 9	1 year suspension	Accept
23-9-521	3, 9	1 year suspension	Accept
23-9-593	8, 9	90 day Suspension	Accept
23-9-599	9	90 day suspension	Accept
23-10-642	2015 Code of Ethics 4, 10,11	20 day suspension	Accept
23-10-781	1,4,5a6,5a7 (2022), 8, 9	1 year suspension	Accept
23-10-828	1,4,5a6	NPC	Accept
23-10-829	1,4,5a6,5a7 (2017-2022), 8,9	NPC	Accept
23-11-1008	1, 2, 4, 9	CCE	Accept
23-11-1009	2,9	30 days suspension	Accept
23-11-1010	1, 2, 4, 8, 9	2 year suspension	Accept
23-11-1012	1,2,9	CCE	Accept
23-11-1014	2, 9	2 year suspension	Accept
23-11-1050	2,9	10 day suspension	Accept
23-11-964	1,4,5a6,5a7 (2002-2019), 8 9	Reprimand	Accept
23-11-990	4,5,6,9	15 days suspension	Accept
23-12-1058	1,2,9	CCE	Accept
23-12-1059	2,8,9	1 year suspension	Accept
23-12-1070	1, 3, 9	2 year suspension	Accept
23-12-1071	2,9	NPC	Accept
23-12-1073	1,9	1 year suspension	Accept
23-12-1099	3,9	30 day suspension	Accept
23-12-1103	2,5,9	Reprimand	Accept
23-12-1105	9	30 day suspension	Accept
23-12-1109	2, 9	30 day suspension	Accept
23-12-1115	2, 9	Reprimand	Accept
23-12-1117	5,9	60 day suspension	Accept
23-12-1119	2, 9	No Jurisdiction	Accept
23-12-1126	1, 4,5a6, 5a7 (2020),8,9	20 day suspension	Accept
23-12-1133	1,5,9	1 year suspension	Accept
23-12-1138	4,9	1 year suspension	Accept
23-12-1139	2, 9	10 day suspension	Accept
23-12-1143	2, 5, 8, 9	60 day suspension	Accept
23-12-1148	1,5,9	1 year suspension	Accept
23-12-1149	2,9	1 year suspension	Accept
23-12-1167	1, 2, 9	CCE	Accept

CASE	STANDARDS VIOLATED	RECOMMENDATION	EERC RECOMMENDATION
23-12-1180	4,5a2, 5a6, 8,9	Reprimand	Accept
23-12-1197	1,4,5a6,5a7 (2019),8,9	Reprimand	Accept
23-12-1199	2 & 9	Revocation	Accept
24-1-1220	1, 2, 9, 5a7	CCE	Accept
24-1-1240	4,9	1 year suspension	Accept
24-1-1251	1,8,9	NPC	Accept
24-1-1252	1,8,9	CCE	Accept
24-1-1253	2, 4, 9	5 day suspension	Accept
24-1-1261	1, 2, 9	CCE	Accept
24-1-1291	1,4, 5a6,5a7 (2019-2021), 8,9	Reprimand	Accept
24-1-1319	5, 9	Revocation	Accept
24-1-1320	5, 9	Revocation	Accept
24-1-1321	3, 4, 8, 9	30 day suspension	Accept
24-1-1322	1,9	CCE	Accept
24-1-1325	9	5 day suspension	Accept
24-1-1328	2,9	Reprimand	Accept
24-1-1330	2, 9	5 day suspension	Accept
24-1-1331	2,9	5 day suspension	Accept
24-1-1340	2, 9	NPC	Accept
24-1-1341	8, 9	NPC	Accept
24-1-1390	1,4,5a6,5a7 (2019),8,9	Reprimand	Accept
24-1-1394	1,4,5a6, 5a7(2010-2022),8,9	Reprimand	Accept

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

<u>CASE</u>	PREVIOUS SANCTION	EERC RECOMMENDATION
23-10-615	Revocation - Oct. 16, 2000	Grant
24-1-1241	Denial - Feb. 12, 2015	Grant
24-1-1401	Revocation - Feb. 1, 1996	Grant
24-2-1554	Suspension 1 year - May 26, 2023	Grant

3. Chair Townsend reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 29 *Settlement Agreements* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

CASE	SANCTION	EERC RECOMMENDATION
22-8-251	Revocation	Accept
22-10-586	Suspension 1 year	Accept
23-2-988	Reprimand	Accept

CASE	SANCTION	EERC RECOMMENDATION	
23-4-1421	Suspension 30 days	Accept	
23-5-1516	Reprimand	Accept	
23-6-1681	Suspension 20 days	Accept	
23-9-438	Suspension 20 days	Accept	
23-9-492	Reprimand	Accept	
23-10-719	Suspension 10 days	Accept	
23-10-804	Suspension 5 days	Accept	
23-10-822	Suspension 1 year	Accept	
23-11-865	Reprimand	Accept	
23-11-874	Reprimand	Accept	
23-11-888	Suspension 90 days	Accept	
23-11-897	Reprimand	Accept	
23-11-930	Reprimand	Accept	
23-11-946	Reprimand	Accept	
23-11-958	Suspension 10 days	Accept	
23-11-962	Reprimand	Accept	
23-11-983	Suspension 5 days	Accept	
23-11-1003	Reprimand	Accept	
23-12-1121	Suspension 20 days	Accept	
23-12-1147	Suspension 90 days	Accept	
23-12-1157	Reprimand	Accept	
23-12-1192	Reprimand	Accept	
23-12-1193	Reprimand	Accept	
23-12-1198	Reprimand	Accept	
24-1-1303	Reprimand	Accept	
24-1-1400	Reprimand	Accept	

4. Chair Townsend reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 23 *Negotiated Settlement Agreements* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

CASE	NEGOTIATED SANCTION	EERC RECOMMENDATION
18-7-103	NPC	Accept
20-1-1089	NFA	Accept
21-2-756	NFA	Accept
21-4-1018	40 days	Accept
22-4-1276	42 days	Accept
22-6-1614	Warning	Accept
23-1-882	1 year	Accept
23-2-960	NFA	Accept
23-2-1015	NPC	Accept
23-3-1244	2 days	Accept
23-4-1332	Reprimand	Accept

CASE	NEGOTIATED SANCTION	EERC RECOMMENDATION	
23-5-1554	Reprimand	Accept	
23-5-1595	NPC	Accept	
23-5-1663	30 days	Accept	
23-6-1710	NPC	Accept	
23-6-1711	NPC	Accept	
23-7-38	Warning	Accept	
23-7-110	Reprimand	Accept	
23-7-114	30 days	Accept	
23-8-250	2 years	Accept	
23-8-401	NFA	Accept	
23-10-645	Reprimand	Accept	
23-11-911	Reprimand	Accept	

5. OTHER BUSINESS

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the 7 Other Business Report as follows:

<u>CASE</u>	FINDINGS OF FACTS	EERC RECOMMENDATION
23-12-1055	Supplemental complaint	Investigate
24-1-1324	Supplemental complaint	Investigate
23-4-136	Unable effect service.	Hold New App
2-4-1381	Unable effect service.	Hold New App
23-5-1485	Unable effect service.	Hold New App
23-6-1716	Unable effect service.	Hold New App
23-7-97	Unable effect service.	Hold New App

6. The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the *Preliminary Investigative Determination Report* consisting of 104 new complaints received during the months of February and March 2024.

7. VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the 1 **Voluntary Surrender** listed below in which an Educator/Applicant voluntarily accepted a sanction of Revocation prior to the submission of an investigative case summary for a Probable Cause Determination.

<u>CASE</u>	STANDARDS VIOLATED	SANCTION	EERC RECOMMENDATION	
22-6-1633	1, 2, 9	Voluntary Surrender	Accept	

8. EXTENSIONS – PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATIVE DETERMINATIONS

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the 87 *Extensions - Preliminary Investigative Determinations* consisting of the following:

24-2-1426	24-2-1442	24-2-1511	24-2-1522	24-2-1575	24-3-1616	24-3-1627	24-3-1670
24-2-1427	24-2-1443	24-2-1512	24-2-1523	24-2-1576	24-3-1617	24-3-1628	24-3-1671
24-2-1428	24-2-1444	24-2-1513	24-2-1524	24-2-1577	24-3-1618	24-3-1629	24-3-1672
24-2-1429	24-2-1503	24-2-1514	24-2-1525	24-2-1578	24-3-1619	24-3-1630	24-3-1673
24-2-1430	24-2-1504	24-2-1515	24-2-1526	24-3-1609	24-3-1620	24-3-1631	24-3-1674
24-2-1431	24-2-1505	24-2-1516	24-2-1569	24-3-1610	24-3-1621	24-3-1632	24-3-1675
24-2-1432	24-2-1506	24-2-1517	24-2-1570	24-3-1611	24-3-1622	24-3-1633	24-3-1676
24-2-1433	24-2-1507	24-2-1518	24-2-1571	24-3-1612	24-3-1623	24-3-1636	24-3-1677
24-2-1439	24-2-1508	24-2-1519	24-2-1572	24-3-1613	24-3-1624	24-3-1667	24-3-1678
24-2-1440	24-2-1509	24-2-1520	24-2-1573	24-3-1614	24-3-1625	24-3-1668	24-3-1679
24-2-1441	24-2-1510	24-2-1521	24-2-1574	24-3-1615	24-3-1626	24-3-1669	

9. <u>EXTENSIONS - INVESTIGATIONS</u> The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended granting an *Investigative Extension* to the following 188 cases:

	WRITTEN COMPLAINT EXTENSIONS						
23-2-1039	23-7-63	23-8-392	23-9-581	23-10-749	23-11-879	23-12-1075	23-12-1171
23-2-1090	23-7-95	23-8-395	23-9-584	23-10-766	23-11-883	23-12-1076	23-12-1174
23-2-1127	23-7-97	23-8-397	23-9-594	23-10-776	23-11-894	23-12-1077	23-12-1175
23-3-1191	23-7-106	23-8-408	23-9-596	23-10-779	23-11-910	23-12-1078	23-12-1177
23-3-1264	23-8-151	23-8-412	23-9-600	23-10-788	23-11-927	23-12-1080	23-12-1183
23-4-1308	23-8-163	23-8-414	23-9-606	23-10-791	23-11-945	23-12-1082	23-12-1186
23-4-1320	23-8-172	23-8-416	23-9-611	23-10-794	23-11-959	23-12-1085	23-12-1191
23-4-1373	23-8-195	23-8-417	23-9-614	23-10-795	23-11-960	23-12-1089	23-12-1195
23-4-1426	23-8-201	23-8-421	23-10-635	23-10-801	23-11-975	23-12-1092	24-1-1209
23-4-1427	23-8-243	23-9-434	23-10-636	23-10-806	23-11-979	23-12-1095	24-1-1211
23-4-1428	23-8-246	23-9-435	23-10-657	23-10-813	23-11-987	23-12-1097	24-1-1214
23-4-1433	23-8-256	23-9-440	23-10-665	23-10-814	23-11-988	23-12-1101	24-1-1215
23-5-1466	23-8-266	23-9-460	23-10-667	23-10-824	23-11-1002	23-12-1102	24-1-1216
23-5-1485	23-8-273	23-9-472	23-10-669	23-10-825	23-11-1013	23-12-1104	24-1-1217
23-5-1491	23-8-279	23-9-478	23-10-675	23-10-826	23-11-1030	23-12-1107	24-1-1218
23-5-1517	23-8-280	23-9-485	23-10-678	23-10-832	23-11-1031	23-12-1122	24-1-1243
23-5-1541	23-8-304	23-9-502	23-10-684	23-11-836	23-11-1033	23-12-1124	24-1-1246
23-5-1568	23-8-321	23-9-504	23-10-699	23-11-842	23-11-1038	23-12-1127	24-1-1249
23-5-1593	23-8-322	23-9-513	23-10-705	23-11-851	23-11-1053	23-12-1128	24-1-1255
23-5-1664	23-8-323	23-9-522	23-10-709	23-11-859	23-12-1054	23-12-1140	24-1-1258
23-6-1727	23-8-330	23-9-524	23-10-713	23-11-864	23-12-1055	23-12-1145	
23-6-1729	23-8-367	23-9-526	23-10-730	23-11-876	23-12-1057	23-12-1146	
23-7-14	23-8-385	23-9-551	23-10-735	23-11-877	23-12-1061	23-12-1161	
23-7-36	23-8-388	23-9-552	23-10-739	23-11-878	23-12-1068	23-12-1170	

10. APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION REPORT

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended to approve a no probable cause determination on 35 cases reflected on the Applications for Certification Report.

11. FINAL DECISIONS BY OPERATION OF LAW

The Commission reviewed the report, which advised of 13 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>	ORIGINAL SANCTION	ALJ SANCTION	<u>EERC</u> RECOMMEND
19-5-1645	Suspension 90 days	Suspension 90 days	Accept

Vice Chair Dr. Franklin Perry, called for approval of the Educator Ethics Review Committee report as present by Beth Townsend.

<u>PSC ACTION:</u> Approved

Abstentions: Vonda Woodall-PCE Case #'s 23-3-1169, 23-8-150, Dr. Judi Wilson-PID Case # 24-2-1505, PCE Case #'s 23-12-1070, 23-10-642, 23-7-93, 23-9-488, 23-1-1341, 23-1-1322, 23-3-1280, NCO Case #'s 23-3-1244, 23-5-1554, 23-7-114, Dr. Franklin Perry-PID Case # 24-2-1518, PCE Case # 23-10-829, Abigail Coggin PID Case # 24-1-1371, PCA Case #'s 24-1-1247, 24-1-1383, PCE Case # 23-11-1050, Jane Rookard-PCE Case #23-11-1008, 23-12-1071, 24-1-1340, NCO Case # 23-2-960, OB Case 3 23-7-97

B. Educator Preparation Standing Committee

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

1. Gordon State College- a result of satisfactory progress evident in the January 9, 2024, Progress Report, the Committee recommends the removal of the following Areas for Improvement (AFIs) for the EPP.

- Standard 1.1
- Standard 3.5
- Standard 4.1
- Standard 4.2

The Committee also recommends removal of the AFI in Standard 6.4 at the program level for the following programs.

- English Education
- History Education
- Secondary Science Biology
- Special Education General Curriculum/Elementary Education

As a result of incremental progress, the Committee recommends the AFIs remain in the following standards for the EPP.

- Standard 4.4
- Standard 5.1
- Standard 5.3
- Standard 5.4

The Committee recommends the submission of a progress report on March 31, 2025, addressing the remaining AFIs. The progress report should include more data from actual completers and how those data are used in a systematic way to inform program improvement.

2. Savannah-Chatham Public Schools- a result of satisfactory progress evident in the January 10, 2024, Progress Report, the Committee recommends removal of the following AFIs for the Georgia Teacher Academy for Preparation and Pedagogy (GaTAPP) program.

- Standard 1.1
- Standard 1.5
- Standard 6.2
- Standard 6.6

3. Spelman College-As a result of satisfactory progress evident in the December 21, 2023, Progress Report, the Committee recommends removal of the AFI in Standard 5.1 remain for the EPP.

As a result of incremental progress evident, the Committee recommends the AFI in Standard 5.1 remain for the EPP.

The Committee recommends the submission of a progress report on March 21, 2025, addressing the remaining AFI in Standard 5.1. The progress report should include data and the analysis of those data from the new assessment system, and the actual results of implementation showing completion of items on the timeline, data from pilot testing and data from the indicators or descriptors of the revised Professional Dispositions rubric.

4. Kennesaw State University-The Committee recommends Approval for the Dyslexia Endorsement.

Vice Chair, Dr. Franklin Perry, called for approval of the Educator Preparation and Certification Committee report as presented by Chair, Dr. Holley Roberts. <u>PSC ACTION:</u> Approved

VIII. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Our next Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, April 11th, at 4 pm. We will meet remotely and the information will be posted on our website under Commission Information. The Educator Ethics Review Committee will meet at 4:30 pm and Educator Preparation and Certification Committee meeting will meet at 4:00 pm on Wednesday, April 10th. Vice Chair, Dr. Franklin Perry, called for the meeting to be adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

PSC ACTION: Approved