#### **MINUTES**

# PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMISSION 200 Piedmont Avenue Atlanta, Georgia

May 10, 2018

The Georgia Professional Standards Commission (PSC) met on Thursday, May 10, 2018.

## **Members Present**

Danielle BruceKamila LuigsBeth TownsendLauren EckmanDiane McClearenChristy Van MeterChris ErwinDr. Jacqueline McDowellKatrina Young

Rodney Green Amanda Miliner Scott Justus Teri Schneider

#### **Members Absent**

Dr. Isiah Hill, Jr. Leon Grant, III Sheryl Stalvey Dr. Martha Venn

## I. WORK SESSION

- Executive Secretary's Report a) Kelly Henson announced that this is Employee Recognition Week. He invited the Commissioners to join the staff that after the meeting to have dessert in the committee room where there would be an array of desserts; b) Work session agendas were given to all Commissioners for the rest of the year. Commissioners were encouraged to let him know if there was any particular topic that was of interest to them and he would try to get in on the agenda; c) Rebecca Mick, Senior Assistant Attorney General, informed the Commission of HB 790. The recently passed bill now requires agencies to submit hearing requests to the Office of State Administrative Hearings within thirty (30) days of receipt. It also provides for the imposition of civil penalties against an agency for failure to comply.
- Anne Marie Fenton, Chuck McCampbell and Paul Shaw gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Ethics Assessment Data Review and Upcoming Initiatives
- Chuck McCampbell and Joy Fethe gave a PowerPoint presentation on the PPEM Dashboard.
- Anne Marie Fenton and ETS staff Jan Ruthven, Clyde Reese, Wanda Swiggett gave a preview remotely
  in PowerPoint presentation form on the Service Field Standard Setting and Computer Science Standard
  Setting.
- Anne Marie Fenton presented the rules for adoption to be voted on during the Commission meeting. On March 8, 2018, the Commission initiated 7 certification rules and 2 Educator Preparation rules. We received 18 public comments all in support of the adoption of GaPSC Certification Rule 505-2-.45 MONTESORRI CERTIFICATE.

One rule that was initiated, 505-2-.24 SPECIAL GEORGIA REQUIREMENTS, will not come before you for adoption at this time. We only received one public comment (also attached) expressing concern with the effective date of July 1, 2018, to require a grade of B or higher for the Special Education requirement. However, we plan to ask you to re-initiate that rule in our next rules cycle to specify that the effective date will be 7-1-19. This one year delay will provide additional notice of the new requirement to make a B or higher in that course.

## **Discussion (Certification)**

#### 505-2-.10 PERMIT

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.10 PERMIT, dated October 15, 2017, be AMENDED to update the documents required for extension of the permit and to remove the GACE Program Admission Assessment requirement for extension of the JROTC permit.

## 505-2-.24 SPECIAL GEORGIA REQUIREMENTS

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.24 SPECIAL GEORGIA REQUIREMENTS dated July 1, 2017, be AMENDED to remove the edTPA requirement for conversion of the IN3 certificate and change the required grade for the Special Education requirement to B or higher.

## 505-2-.26 CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE ASSESSMENTS

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.26 CERTIICATION AND LICENSURE ASSESSMENTS dated July 1, 2017, be AMENDED to remove the edTPA requirement for conversion of the IN3 certificate and remove the Program Admission Assessment for extension of the JROTC Permit. In addition, the assessments required for Montessori certification are outlined in this rule.

#### **505-2-.45 MONTESSORI CERTIFICATE**

It is proposed that Rule 505-2-.45 MONTESSORI CERTIFICATE be INITIATED to establish the Montessori certification structure and title that will allow qualified Montessori teachers to obtain certification.

#### 505-2-.146 SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.146 SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY dated January 15, 2015, be AMENDED to allow for completion of professional learning units awarded by the Georgia Association of School Psychologists (GASP) to meet the renewal credit requirement for unemployed educators certified in this field.

#### 505-2-.185 AUTISM ENDORSEMENT

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.185 AUTISM ENDORSEMENT dated January 15, 2017, be AMENDED to allow service field certificate holders to add the field and to clarify the requirements for issuance of the Supplemental Induction endorsement.

First, are there any questions on the Certification rules?

## **Discussion (Educator Preparation)**

# 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 15, 2017, be REPEALED and a new rule with the same name and number INITIATED. This new rule further develops and articulates standards and expectations for educational leadership preparation Tier I and Tier II programs.

#### 505-3-.77 EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

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It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.77 EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM, dated April 15, 2015, be REPEALED and that a new rule with the same name and number be INITIATED. This new rule further develops and articulates standards and expectations for educational leadership preparation Tier I and Tier II programs.

## II. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Luigs called the meeting to order at 12:44 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag and a moment of silence.

## III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chair Luigs called for approval of the agenda.

**MOTION:** (Scott Justus / Lauren Eckman) To approve the agenda.

**PSC ACTION:** Approved

## IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Luigs called for approval of the minutes from the April 12, 2018, Commission meeting.

**PSC ACTION**: Approved

## V. VISITORS

Chair Luigs welcomed the visitors.

- Leonard Williams, Professional Association of Georgia
   Educators
- Paige Tompkins, Georgia Association of Colleges for Teacher Ed (GACTE) & UGA Margaret Elliott, Professional Association of Georgia Educators
- Deja Velasquez, Office of Planning and Budget
- Don Splinter, Georgia Association of Educational Leaders (GAEL)
- Annie Frazer, Montessori Partnerships for Georgia
- Tayia Donald, Georgia Association of Educators (GAE)

## VI. <u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>

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

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

1. Chair Justus reported that the Committee reviewed 79 *Probable Cause* cases during May 10, 2018, meeting and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the committee:

CASE	STANDARDS VIOLATED	RECOMMENDATION
17-2-967	1	Reprimand
17-8-231	1,4	NPC
18-2-1053	4, 5a2, 5a7, 8	Deny
18-3-1218	1, 5a7	Reprimand
18-3-1221	4,5a2, 5a7	Deny
18-3-1223	1	Reprimand
18-3-1273	5a5	NPC NPC
18-3-1274	1	Reprimand
15-8-208	4, 10, 11	Reprimand
16-3-1010	1, 5a7, 10 (2017 Code)	Revoke
16-5-1269	1, 10 & 5a7 (2017 Code)	Suspension 1 year
16-5-1281	1 (2017 Code)	Revoke
16-5-1289	4, 5a2 (2017 Code)	Revoke
16-5-1329	1, 2, 4, 10, 5a7 (2017)	Revoke
16-5-1371	1,5a7,10	Revoke
16-6-1543	1, 5a7, 9 10	NPC
16-9-476	1, 4, 5a7, 9, 10 (2017 Code)	Revoke
16-9-491	5a2, 5a7	Revoke
16-10-614	4, 9, 10, 5a2, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Revoke
16-11-755	1, 5a7 (2017 Code) and 1,4,8 and 5a7 (2018 Code)	Revoke
16-12-832	1, 10 (2017 Code)	Reprimand
17-1-875	4, 10	Suspension 5 days
17-1-880	1, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Revoke
17-1-888	9,10(2016)	Suspension 90 days
17-1-916	10, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Revoke
17-1-921	1, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Revoke
17-1-928	1, 10, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Revoke
17-2-1078	1,4,5a7,9,10	Revoke
17-3-1162	1,4,5a7,9,10 (2017 code)	Suspension 1 year
17-4-1318	1,4,5a7,9,10 (2017 code)	Suspension 1 year
17-4-1332	1, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Revoke
17-4-1335	10, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Revoke
17-4-1347	1, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Revoke
17-5-1417	1, 4, 9, 10, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Revoke
17-5-1472	1, 4, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Revoke
17-6-1508	1, 9, 10 (2017 Code)	Revoke
17-6-1655	1,4, 9,10 (2017 code)	Suspension 20 days
17-6-1676	5a2, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Revoke

<u>CASE</u>	STANDARDS VIOLATED	RECOMMENDATION
17-7-133	1,5a7,9,10 (2017 Code)	Reprimand
17-9-393	1, 4, 9, and 5a7 (2017 Code)	Suspension 20 days
17-10-537	1,4,5a7,9,10	Revoke
17-10-548	1,4,9,10	Suspension 20 days
17-11-638	2, 10	Suspension 45 days
17-11-686	1, 2, 10, 5a2, 5a5, and 5a7 (2017 Code)	Revoke
17-12-743	4,5,10	Suspension 90 days
17-12-758	2,7.9.10	Suspension 90 days
17-12-780	1, 2, 10, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Revoke
17-12-786	4, 10	Suspension 90 days
17-12-822	4, 10 (2017 code)	Suspension 1 year
18-1-891	10	NPC
18-1-909	4,10 (2017 code)	Reprimand
18-1-937	8, 10 (2017 Code)	Suspension 90 days
18-1-940	10 (2017 code)	Suspension 90 days
18-1-941	10,11 (2017 code)	Suspension 20 days
18-1-964	4, 9, 10, 5a2 (2017)	Suspension 20 days
18-2-981	2, 10 (2017 code)	Suspension 1 year
18-2-986	1, 9	NPC
18-2-991	1,10	Suspension 1 year
18-2-999	2, 10 (2017 Code)	Suspension 1 year
18-2-1008	2, 9	Revoke
18-2-1009	2, 8, 9	Suspension 90 days
18-2-1011	1,2,4,9,5a7	Revoke
18-2-1014	7, 9	Suspension 20 days
18-2-1017	2,10 (2017 code)	Revoke
18-2-1019	1, 4, 8, 9 (2018 Code)	Suspension 20 days
18-2-1020	1, 4, 9, 10, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Suspension 1 year
18-2-1022	4, 5a2, 5a7 (2017 Code)	Suspension 20 days
18-2-1024	5a2,5a5,5a7	Suspension 90 days
18-2-1025	1, 2, 9, 5a2, 5a5, 5a7	Revoke
18-2-1029	2, 10 (2017) and 2,9 (2018)	Suspension 30 days
18-2-1038	2, 10 (2017 Code)	Suspension 1 year
18-2-1068	1, 5a7	Reprimand
18-2-1087	9	Suspension 1 year
18-2-1090	2, 9 (2017, 2018 Code)	Suspension 2 years
18-3-1137	4, 9 (2017, 2018 Code)	Suspension 90 days
18-3-1143	2, 4, 8, 9 (2017, 2018 Code)	Revoke

CASE	STANDARDS VIOLATED	RECOMMENDATION
18-3-1173	1, 4 (2017 Code)	Revoke
18-3-1197	1,4,9,10 (2017 Code)	Suspension 20 days
18-3-1208	4, 5a2, 5a7, 9, 10 (2017 Code)	Suspension 90 days

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

CASE	PREVIOUS SANCTION	EERC RECOMMENDATION
17-11-668	Revocation	Deny

3. Chair Justus reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 10 *Settlement Agreements* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

CASE	ASE SANCTION EERC RECON	
17-1-869	Suspension 20 days	Accept
17-7-149	Reprimand	Accept
17-8-261	Suspension 20 days	Accept
17-10-541	Reprimand	Accept
17-11-697	Reprimand	Accept
18-1-911	Reprimand	Accept
18-1-945	Revocation	Accept
18-2-1000	Suspension 45 days	Accept
18-2-1070	Suspension 20 days	Accept
18-2-1104	Reprimand	Accept

4. Chair Justus reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 26 *Negotiated Settlement Agreements* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

CASE	NEGOTIATED SANCTION	EERC RECOMMENDATION
15-6-1107	Reprimand	Accept
15-11-576	Reprimand	Accept
16-3-1066	Suspension 1 year	Accept
16-4-1156	Suspension 60 days	Accept
16-5-1276	NPC	Accept
16-5-1277	NPC	Accept
16-8-257	Suspension 1 year	Accept
16-10-622	NPC	Accept

CASE	NEGOTIATED SANCTION	EERC RECOMMENDATION
16-11-674	NPC	Accept
16-11-751	NPC	Accept
17-1-914	NPC	Accept
17-1-956	Reprimand	Accept
17-2-985	Suspension 2 years	Accept
17-2-986	Suspension 30 days	Accept
17-2-1053	Suspension 1 year	Reject
17-3-1124	Suspension 60 days	Accept
17-4-1330	Reprimand	Accept
17-5-1361	Suspension 30 days	Accept
17-6-1527	Suspension 2 days	Accept
17-6-1534	Suspension 20 days	Accept
17-7-161	Reprimand	Accept
17-9-371	NPC	Accept
17-9-383	Suspension 2 years	Accept
17-10-463	Suspension 10 days	Accept
17-10-528	Suspension 10 days	Accept
17-12-747	Reprimand	Accept

# 5. OTHER BUSINESS

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

CASE	FINDINGS OF FACTS	EERC RECOMMENDATION
17-6-1668	Administratively Close Case	Admin Close
15-7-83	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
16-9-493	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
16-10-576	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
16-10-584	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
17-4-1278	Unable to Obtain Service	Hold New App
17-6-1769	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
17-6-1795	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
17-8-239	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
17-9-351	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
17-12-834	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
18-1-974	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
18-2-1036	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
18-2-1067	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
18-2-1075	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
18-2-1076	No info received from applicant	Hold New App
PCE 18-2-1041	Expand investigation	Expand investigation

**Determination Report** consisting of 95 new complaints received during the months of April and May 2018.

## 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.

<u>CASE</u>	STANDARDS VIOLATED	SANCTION	EERC RECOMMENDATION
18-3-1130	5(a)2, 8	VS	Accept
18-3-1176	2, 8, 9	VS	Accept
18-3-1184	1, 2, 9	VS	Accept
18-3-1226	2, 4, 9	VS	Accept

## 8. EXTENSIONS – PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATIVE DETERMINATIONS

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the 73 *Extensions - Preliminary Investigative Determinations* consisting of the following:

18-4-1360	18-5-1433	18-5-1443	18-5-1453	18-5-1463	18-5-1473	18-5-1483	18-5-1493
18-4-1361	18-5-1434	18-5-1444	18-5-1454	18-5-1464	18-5-1474	18-5-1484	18-5-1494
18-4-1362	18-5-1435	18-5-1445	18-5-1455	18-5-1465	18-5-1475	18-5-1485	18-5-1495
18-5-1426	18-5-1436	18-5-1446	18-5-1456	18-5-1466	18-5-1476	18-5-1486	
18-5-1427	18-5-1437	18-5-1447	18-5-1457	18-5-1467	18-5-1477	18-5-1487	
18-5-1428	18-5-1438	18-5-1448	18-5-1458	18-5-1468	18-5-1478	18-5-1488	
18-5-1429	18-5-1439	18-5-1449	18-5-1459	18-5-1469	18-5-1479	18-5-1489	
18-5-1430	18-5-1440	18-5-1450	18-5-1460	18-5-1470	18-5-1480	18-5-1490	
18-5-1431	18-5-1441	18-5-1451	18-5-1461	18-5-1471	18-5-1481	18-5-1491	
18-5-1432	18-5-1442	18-5-1452	18-5-1462	18-5-1472	18-5-1482	18-5-1492	

## 9. EXTENSIONS - INVESTIGATIONS

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended granting an *Investigative Extension* to the following 242 cases:

WRITTEN COMPLAINT EXTENSIONS							
14-6-981	17-4-1339	17-6-1714	17-8-196	17-8-307	17-11-721	17-12-868	18-2-988
15-3-761	17-4-1344	17-6-1720	17-8-197	17-8-340	17-11-725	17-12-870	18-2-1007
15-3-821	17-5-1394	17-6-1721	17-8-202	17-8-343	17-11-729	17-12-871	18-2-1023
15-5-957	17-5-1395	17-6-1725	17-8-203	17-8-344	17-11-730	17-12-872	18-2-1025
15-5-982	17-5-1396	17-6-1727	17-8-208	17-8-345	17-11-731	17-12-874	18-2-1026
15-5-1003	17-5-1451	17-6-1732	17-8-214	17-9-358	17-11-736	17-12-875	18-2-1032
15-6-1093	17-5-1454	17-6-1746	17-8-221	17-9-366	17-11-737	17-12-878	18-2-1033
15-6-1129	17-5-1458	17-6-1775	17-8-234	17-9-369	17-12-749	17-12-880	18-2-1041

15-6-1203	17-5-1477	17-6-1783	17-8-242	17-9-422	17-12-757	17-12-885	18-2-1046
15-7-18	17-5-1478	17-6-1787	17-8-245	17-9-426	17-12-759	17-12-886	18-2-1047
15-9-396	17-5-1482	17-7-77	17-8-248	17-9-428	17-12-760	18-1-892	18-2-1051
15-10-532	17-5-1502	17-7-81	17-8-255	17-9-437	17-12-772	18-1-927	18-2-1054
15-11-599	17-6-1517	17-7-104	17-8-257	17-10-472	17-12-775	18-1-934	18-2-1063
15-12-682	17-6-1523	17-7-107	17-8-264	17-10-489	17-12-783	18-1-939	18-2-1064
16-1-730	17-6-1637	17-7-109	17-8-275	17-10-503	17-12-833	18-1-942	18-2-1065
16-1-732	17-6-1645	17-7-110	17-8-278	17-10-526	17-12-837	18-1-952	18-2-1077
16-1-735	17-6-1647	17-7-113	17-8-279	17-10-539	17-12-839	18-1-953	18-2-1097
16-1-836	17-6-1652	17-7-114	17-8-280	17-10-545	17-12-842	18-1-957	18-2-1100
16-2-859	17-6-1667	17-7-130	17-8-281	17-10-555	17-12-843	18-1-958	18-2-1101
16-2-919	17-6-1671	17-7-136	17-8-284	17-10-604	17-12-844	18-1-959	18-2-1105
16-4-1199	17-6-1675	17-7-148	17-8-285	17-11-596	17-12-846	18-1-961	18-2-1109
16-4-1211	17-6-1683	17-7-154	17-8-287	17-11-613	17-12-847	18-1-962	18-2-1110
16-8-152	17-6-1684	17-7-155	17-8-288	17-11-623	17-12-850	18-1-963	18-2-1113
16-10-559	17-6-1685	17-7-156	17-8-290	17-11-630	17-12-851	18-1-967	18-3-1122
17-2-998	17-6-1700	17-8-167	17-8-292	17-11-650	17-12-852	18-1-969	18-3-1124
17-3-1137	17-6-1704	17-8-168	17-8-295	17-11-706	17-12-857	18-1-970	
17-3-1163	17-6-1705	17-8-170	17-8-296	17-11-707	17-12-858	18-2-977	
17-3-1220	17-6-1707	17-8-175	17-8-298	17-11-712	17-12-860	18-2-978	
17-4-1257	17-6-1708	17-8-183	17-8-300	17-11-716	17-12-861	18-2-979	
17-4-1261	17-6-1711	17-8-184	17-8-301	17-11-717	17-12-864	18-2-980	
17-4-1263	17-6-1713	17-8-187	17-8-303	17-11-720	17-12-867	18-2-985	

## 10. <u>APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION REPORT</u>

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 13 cases now closed without an appeal for a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge. The report also advised that there were no cases closed without an appeal for a review hearing before the Commission.

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

The Commission reviewed the *Final Decision* report with the following 3 cases:

CASE	ORIGINAL SANCTION	ALJ SANCTION	EERC RECOMMENDATION
14-6-964	Suspension 20 days	Reprimand	Accept
16-12-839	Suspension 2 year	Suspension 2 years	Accept
17-3-1141	Revoke	Revoke	Accept

Chair Luigs called for approval of the Educator Ethics Review Committee report as presented by Chair Justus.

**PSC ACTION**: Approved

Abstention: Beth Townsend-18-4-1304, 18-1-891, Christy Van Meter-18-4-1291, 18-4-1382, Amanda Miliner-17-11-638, Kami Luigs-16-4-1156, 16-6-1543, 18-4-1320, 18-4-1328, 16-10-584, Teri Schneider-16-5-1277,

17-10-548, 17-10-537, 18-2-986, 18-2-1090, 18-4-1305, 18-4-1361, 18-4-1362, Danielle Bruce-18-4-1313, 18-4-1314, Scott Justus, 17-12-758, 17-12-186

## **B.** Educator Preparation Standing Committee

Committee Vice Chair, Diane McClearen, presented the report of the Educator Preparation Standing Committee.

ЕРР	May 2018 Detailed Approval Recommendations	
Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College (ABAC)	The Committee recommends Developmental Approval for the Educator Preparation Provider and the Agricultural Education (6-12; Baccalaureate and Certification-Only) Program.	
Augusta University	The Committee recommends Developmental Approval of the Computer Science Endorsement Program.	
Berry College	The Committee recommends Developmental Approval of the Autism Endorsement Program.	
Coastal Plains RESA	The Committee recommends Developmental Approval of the Teacher Support and Coaching Endorsement Program.	
Columbus State University	The Committee recommends Developmental Approval of the Computer Science Program (P-12; Baccalaureate and M.A.T.) Program.	
Georgia Southern University	The Committee recommends Developmental Approval of the Autism Endorsement Program.	
LaGrange College	The Committee recommends Developmental Approval of the Music Education (P-12; Baccalaureate) Program.	
Clayton County Schools	The Committee recommends Continuing Approval of the Educator Preparation Provider and the following Educator Preparation Programs:  • Georgia Teacher Academy for Preparation and Pedagogy (GaTAPP)  • Reading Endorsement  • Gifted Endorsement  • Teacher Support and Coaching Endorsement	
Floyd County Schools	The Committee recommends Continuing Approval of the Educator Preparation Provider and the following Educator Preparation Programs:  • Gifted In-Field Endorsement	

EPP	May 2018 Detailed Approval Recommendations
	<ul> <li>Reading Endorsement</li> <li>ESOL Endorsement</li> <li>K-5 Math Endorsement</li> <li>Online Teaching Endorsement</li> <li>Additionally the Committee recommends a Progress Report May 17, 2019, addressing the Areas for Improvement cited during the Spring 2018 Continuing Approval Review.</li> </ul>
Gordon State College	The Committee recommends the Progress Report submitted February 12, 2018, is satisfactory in addressing the Area for Improvement for Standard 3 (element a), resulting from the Fall 2015 First Continuing Approval Review. The Committee recommends the Area for Improvement be removed.
University of Georgia	The Committee recommends the Progress Report submitted March 1, 2018, is satisfactory in addressing the Area for Improvement for Standard 7 (element g), resulting from the Spring 2013 Continuing Approval Review. The Committee recommends the Area for Improvement be removed.

Chair Luigs called for approval of the Educator Preparation / Certification Report as presented by Vice Chair Diane McClearen.

**PSC ACTION**: Approved

Abstentions – Dr. Jacqueline McDowell-Berry College, Rodney Green-Coastal Plains RESA

## VII. RULES

Anne Marie Fenton presented the rules for adoption which included 6 certification rules and 2 educator preparation rules for adoption, which were initiated in March. One of the initiated rules 505-2-.24 SPECIAL GEORGIA REQUIREMENTS will not move forward for your consideration in adopting.

A 30 day public comment period was held and comments were given to Commissioners.

**MOTION:** (Amanda Miliner/Lauren Eckman): To (1) amend the current rules in Chapter 505-2- Certification, effective July 1, 2018, as follows: 505-2-.10, 505-2-.26, 505-2-.146, and 505-2-.185; and (2) adopt the current rule in Chapter 505-2- Certification, effective July 1, 2018, as follows: 505-2-.45; (3) repeal the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation, effective July 15, 2018, as follows: 505-3-.76, and 505-3-.77; (4) adopt the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation, effective July 15, 2018, as follows: 505-3-.76, and 505-3-.77.

**PSC ACTION**: Approved

# VIII. STATE EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION WEEK

All staff members present, assembled in the boardroom where Kelly Henson thanked them for their continued service and invited them and commissioners to meet in the committee room where there was an array of desserts to celebrate Employees Recognition Week.

# IX. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Luigs called for the meeting to be adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

**PSC ACTION:** Approved