

MINUTES

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMISSION

Two Piedmont Avenue

Atlanta, Georgia

September 11, 2014

The Georgia Professional Standards Commission (PSC) met on Thursday, September 11, 2014, at 12:30 p.m.

Members Present

Jim Barrett	Scott Justus	David Smith
Lauren Eckman	Henry Kelly	Sheryl Stalvey
Dr. Penny Elkins	Kamila Luigs	Bettina Polite Tate
Dr. Adrian Epps	Valerie Mateen	Dr. Lawrence Walters
Phil Jacobs	Carol Rivera	Pam Walker

Members Absent

David Johnson	Christy McGill
Terrie Ponder	

I. WORK SESSION

- A. Kelly welcomed Jim Barrett and David Smith to the Commission. Jim teaches seventh and eighth grade Social Studies at Saddle Ridge Middle School in Walker County and is president of the Walker County Georgia Association of Educators. David is chairman of the Rabun County Board of Education. He has practiced law in Clayton County since 1982 and currently serves as a judge for the city of Clayton.
- B. Kelly recognized the Commission leadership as some changes were made:
Commission Chair – Dr. Penny Elkins
Commission Vice Chair – Kami Luigs
Educator Ethics Review Committee Chair – Pam Walker
Educator Ethics Review Committee Vice-Chair – Bettina Polite Tate
Educator Preparation/Certification Committee Chair – Dr. Adrian Epps
Educator Preparation/Certification Committee Vice-Chair – Phil Jacobs
- C. Kelly spoke briefly about the role of a Commissioner.
- When a Commissioner receives emails or phone calls, please refer them to either Kelly or Renee and she will forward them to the appropriate person to answer. We will make sure that you also receive the response that is sent.
 - Please refrain from discussing PSC business outside of our meetings.
 - You are decision makers regarding rules and policy. This authority is exercised in a duly called meeting.
 - Media contacts and request should be referred to my office.
 - You may abstain from voting on cases when you know the educator, they work in the same system, or in the case of ed prep work at that institution.
- D. Kelly thanked Penney McRoy for her work in organized the Transforming Educator Preparation Conference
- E. Preview of Rules for Adoption - In October, the PSC staff will bring the Commission 20 rules for initiation that they brought to them today for a brief discussion. These rules were listed in the Rules Preview handout in the order in which they were discussed. Bobbi Ford, Julie Beck, Tom Higgins, and

Kelli Young spoke briefly about these rules.

- F. Rules for Adoption on September 11, 2014 – Commissioners will be asked to adopt the rules that were initiated on July 10, 2014. No public comment was received. They will have an effective date of October 15, 2014.

Amend (Certification)

- 505-2-.87 HEALTHCARE SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION
- 505-2-.89 TECHNOLOGY
- 505-2-.90 TRADE AND INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION

These reflect updates to match field names adopted in the corresponding educator preparation rule.

Amend (Educator Preparation)

- 505-3-.01 REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS FOR APPROVING EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDERS AND EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS – reflects a field name change mentioned in 01 rule.

Rescind and Initiate

- 505-3-.13 BIRTH THROUGH KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM – change in standards
- 505-3-.14 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAM – change in standards
- 505-3-.17 ENGLISH EDUCATION PROGRAM – change in standards with new rule # 24
- 505-3-.24 MARKETING EDUCATION PROGRAM – change in standards with new rule # 38
- 505-3-.34 AGRICULTURE EDUCATION PROGRAM – change in standards
- 505-3-.35 BUSINESS EDUCATION PROGRAM – change in standards
- 505-3-.36 FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION PROGRAM - change in standards
- 505-3-.37 HEALTHCARE SCIENCE ~~AND TECHNOLOGY~~ PROGRAM - change in standards with new name
- 505-3-.38 ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION PROGRAM - change in standards with new name and new number .39.
- 505-3-.39 ~~TRADE AND INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION~~-CAREER AND TECHNICAL SPECIALIZATIONS PROGRAM - change in standards with new name and new number .40.
- 505-3-.40 GEOGRAPHY EDUCATION – change in standards with new name and new number .25.
- 505-3-.82 BIRTH THROUGH KINDERGARTEN ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM - change in standards
- 505-3-.84 CAREER TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM (CTI) - change in standards
- 505-3-.86 COMPUTER SCIENCE ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM - change in standards
- 505-3-.87 COORDINATED CAREER ACADEMIC EDUCATION ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM (CAAE) - change in standards

Rescind (goes away):

- 505-3-.50 SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER PROGRAM
- 505-3-.83 CAREER EXPLORATION (PECE) ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM

Amend (Ethics)

- 505-6-.01 THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR EDUCATORS – to include definition of child endangerment and to update the number of standards
 - 505-6-.02 REINSTATEMENT OR RENEWAL OF A SUSPENDED OR REVOKED CERTIFICATE – to include additional language regarding petitions
- G. Ethics Modules – Anne Marie Fenton spoke briefly on this topic. The PSC has been working collaboratively with ETS, national experts, and a diverse and representative advisory committee on the Georgia Educator Ethics Assessment. The Georgia Educator Ethics Advisory committee includes P-12, Program Providers, Organizations, and others. We have produced a video trailer that includes teachers, principals, and a superintendent that a part of Module 1. In addition, Kelly Henson recorded an introduction to the assessment, which is also part of Module 1. We are going to view the videos, and show you a portion of Module 1 that involves a teacher and student scenario. Janet Cook, with ETS, is joined us via gotomeeting to describe what was shown.
- H. Commission Chair Report - Chair Elkins spoke briefly about Kelly Henson’s evaluation process. The Executive committee (Pam, Adrian, Julia and Penny) met with Kelly a couple of weeks ago to give him his evaluation results. Kelly received very strong scores by staff members and feedback was given to him. A letter was prepared and sent to the Governor with the results.

Chair Elkins also welcomed Jim Barrett and David Smith to the Commission. She also spoke briefly about Julia Bernath and Pam Williams and their service to the Commission.

II. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Elkins called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag and a moment of silence.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chair Dr. Elkins called for approval of the agenda.

MOTION: (Dr. Adrian Epps / Valerie Mateen) To approve the agenda after changing the order of the committee reports. The Educator Preparation/Certification Committee report will be given first followed by the Education Ethics Review Committee report.

PSC ACTION: Approved

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Elkins called for approval of the minutes from the July 10, 2014, Commission meeting.

PSC ACTION: Approved

V. VISITORS

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Chair Dr. Elkins welcomed the visitors.

- Linda Fortson, Warren Fortson Law Office
- Tayia Donald, Georgia Association of Educators (GAE)

VI. MASTER TEACHER RECOGNITION

In 2005 Georgia Legislature created statutes charging the Georgia Professional Standards Commission (PSC) to establish a Georgia Master Teacher Certification Program. The purpose was to recognize teachers' classroom excellence in student achievement and student progress.

Jane Huntley and Phyllis Payne established the requirements and developed the application process for Master Teacher. In the developmental year of 2006 there were over 890 applications submitted for the Master Teacher program but only 199 achieved the recognition. In 2007, Ginny Elliott was hired as the Master Teacher Program Director. Dr. Nweke came on board in 2008 as well as Tom Higgins to help with the Master Teacher conferences and to help spread the word of the program throughout the state. Over the last 9 years there have been over 2,600 applications representing approximately 125 counties in our state, but only 832 teachers have achieved the distinction of Master Teacher. This spring we announced our last class of 86 Master Teachers. Their Master Teacher certification is for 7 years and therefore will not expire until 2021.

We would like to take this opportunity to recognize and present each of you a signed certificate by Governor Deal - to Jane Huntley and Phyllis Payne for setting the standards and regulations for the Master Teacher Program, and Ginny Elliott, Tom Higgins and Winifred Nweke for their continued support and dedication to the recognition of our Master Teachers throughout the state.

Chair Elkins recognized and gave Certificates of Appreciation to the following: Jane Huntley, Ginny Elliott, Thomas Higgins, Winifred Nweke and Phyllis Payne

VII. EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS

Chair Elkins presented Kevin Bradley and Kevin Wilkins with a certificate and thanked them for their service. Kelly Henson also thanked them and read the following:

Kevin Bradley - 10 Years – Kevin Bradley began his career with the Georgia Professional Standards Commission Certification Division on July 1, 2004, as an Imaging Forms Processor, scanning certification documents and assisting with the agency mail, which he did until 2009. Although he preferred the solitude that position afforded him, Kevin's potential was evident to anyone who interacted with him, and although it took Kelli some time to convince him, he eventually left his comfort zone behind to venture into more complicated certification work. His devotion to the division goals, outstanding work ethic and eagerness to learn and grow within the agency led to a promotion in 2009 to an Information Specialist, where he assisted certification customers by phone and email. Kevin's soothing tone and calm demeanor made for pleasant interactions on phone conversations, even with the most challenging customers. Shortly thereafter, in 2010, Kevin was promoted to the position of Certification Evaluator. In 2012, Kevin became the Certification Administrative Operations Specialist, handling the day-to-day administrative duties of the Certification Management team.

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Although Kevin succeeded in the administrative position, he proved that he could clearly accomplish the work of a higher-level evaluator; therefore, in July 2013, Kevin was, yet again, promoted, this time to an Evaluator 3. Kevin continues to handle the complex certification work for which he was responsible in prior roles, but has handed-over his previous administrative duties to another staff member. Kevin is highly versatile and his knowledge of all areas of certification is an asset to the division, as he is often asked to train newer staff members on a variety of tasks. He is patient and nurturing, always available to take care of the needs of the division and the management team in any way he can. In his spare time, Kevin enjoys catering to his creative side. He enjoys playing the electric bass guitar, drawing and painting, keeping up with and sharing current events and modeling the latest fashions for his colleagues. We congratulate Kevin on 10 years of faithful service to the GaPSC and wish him many, many more!

Kevin Wilkins – 15 Year Service Award – Kevin earned a Bachelor’s of Science from Georgia College and State University in 1994, and was first employed in Georgia State government in 1999 at the Teachers Retirement System. He left TRS to join the GaPSC in June of 2012 as our Systems Administrator. In this role he is responsible for monitoring and maintaining the mission-critical servers that support our daily work and store the records of over half a million current and former Georgia educators. His tasks include creating and managing user accounts, provisioning mailboxes, configuring Blackberries and tablets, and installing and configuring new systems. He works with vendors to help select and acquire new systems and software and to obtain timely support. Kevin is a joy to work with.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Educator Preparation Standing Committee

Committee Chair, Dr. Adrian Epps, presented the report of the Educator Preparation Standing Committee.

Tier II Appeal – The committee heard a Tier II Appeal regarding a certificate upgrade issue. The committee recommended denying the upgrade because at the time the educator enrolled in the Master’s degree program at an out-of-state on-line program, the institution did not meet GaPSC accreditation standards for advanced degrees leading to certificate upgrades.

Chair Elkins called for approval of the Educator Preparation/Certification Committee report as presented by Chair Epps.

PSC ACTION: Approved

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

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

1. Ms. Walker reported that the Committee reviewed 81 ***Probable Cause*** cases during its September 11, 2014, meeting and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

<u>CASE</u>	<u>STANDARDS VIOLATED</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>	<u>EERC RECOMMEND</u>
14-3-596	1,4,9	Deny	Accept
14-6-955	1	Reprimand	Accept
14-6-972	1,4,9	Deny	Accept
14-6-983	1	Reprimand	Accept
14-6-1041	1	Deny	Accept
14-6-1043	1	NPC	Accept
14-6-1052	10	Deny	Accept
14-7-3	1	Deny	Accept
10-9-331	2,4, 10	Revoke	Accept
10-12-553	1, 2, 10	Revoke	Accept
10-12-562	1,10	Revoke	Accept
11-9-284	1,4, 9, 10	Revoke	Accept
12-4-1137	1,10	Revoke	Accept
12-7-081	1,4,9,10	Revoke	Accept
12-8-264	1,4,5,9,10	Suspension - 1 year	Accept
12-11-555	2,10	NPC	Accept
13-1-633	4, 5, 10	Reprimand	Accept
13-2-721	1,4,5,10	Revoke	Accept
13-2-788	4, 10	Suspension - 30 days	Accept
13-3-841	2, 10	Suspension - 20 days	Accept
13-3-859	2, 10	Suspension - 20 days	Accept
13-3-861	2, 10	Suspension - 10 days	Accept
13-4-953	2,4,10	Suspension - 30 days	Accept
13-6-1229	4,10	Suspension - 1 yr	Accept
13-6-1230	1, 10	Suspension - 1 yr	Accept
13-6-1234	4,10,11	Suspension - 2 yrs	Accept
13-6-1244	2,10	Revoke	Accept
13-6-1247	5 &10	NPC	Accept
13-7-11	4,7,10	Suspension - 60 days	Accept
13-8-123	4,9,10	Revoke	Accept
13-9-193	2,4,10	Suspension - 10 days	Accept
13-9-194	2,10	Suspension - 5 days	Accept
13-10-287	2,10	Suspension - 2 yrs	Accept
13-11-305	2,10	Revoke	Accept
13-11-361	4, 5, 10	Suspension - 90 days	Accept
14-1-439	1	NPC	Accept
14-1-446	5,10	Suspension - 90 days	Accept
14-1-484	1, 10	Revoke	Accept
14-2-534	4, 10	NPC	Accept
14-3-592	4, 10	Suspension - 20 days	Accept
14-3-638	2,4,10	Revoke	Accept
14-3-647	2,4,9,10	Revoke	Accept
14-3-672	8,10	Suspension - 90 days	Accept
14-3-679	1, 10	Suspension - 1 yr	Accept
14-3-687	1,4,9	Reprimand	Accept

<u>CASE</u>	<u>STANDARDS VIOLATED</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>	<u>EERC RECOMMEND</u>
14-3-699	1,10	Suspension - 1 yr	Accept
14-3-716	4,10	Suspension - 5 days	Accept
14-4-725	2,10	Suspension - 10 days	Accept
14-4-770	4,10,11	Suspension - 2 yrs	Accept
14-4-771	4,7,10,11	Suspension - 20 days	Accept
14-4-773	9,10	Suspension - 1 yr	Accept
14-4-789	1,2,10	Revoke	Accept
14-4-817	3,10	Suspension - 1 yr	Accept
14-5-832	2, 10	Suspension - 20 days	Accept
14-5-837	1,2,10	Reprimand	Accept
14-5-839	4,7,10,11	Suspension - 2 yrs	Accept
14-5-840	4, 10, 11	Suspension - 2 yrs	Accept
14-5-864	1,10	Suspension - 1 yr	Accept
14-5-872	1,2,10	Revoke	Accept
14-5-881	9,10	Suspension - 1 yr	Accept
14-5-893	4,7,10,11	Suspension - 90 days	Accept
14-5-894	7,10,11	NPC	Accept
14-5-895	2, 10	Suspension - 1 yr	Accept
14-5-896	2,10	Suspension - 2 yrs	Accept
14-5-907	7,10,11	Suspension - 1 yr	Accept
14-5-908	1,9,10	Revoke	Accept
14-5-910	2,4,10	Suspension - 1 year	Accept
14-5-918	1,4,9,10	Suspension - 5 days	Accept
14-5-919	1,2,4,10	Revoke	Accept
14-6-928	4,10	Suspension - 5 days	Accept
14-6-936	10	Suspension - 1 yr	Accept
14-6-937	10	Suspension - 90 days	Accept
14-6-968	1,9, 10	NPC	Accept
14-6-975	1,4,9	Reprimand	Accept
14-6-976	10	Revoke	Accept
14-6-987	1,4,9	Reprimand	Accept
14-6-996	1,4,9	Reprimand	Accept
14-6-998	4, 10	Suspension - 5 days	Accept
14-6-1012	3,10	Suspension - 2 yrs	Accept
14-6-1020	2,10	Suspension - 1 yr	Accept
14-6-1022	4,10	Suspension - 2 yrs	Accept

2. Ms. Walker reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 1 *Petitions Issue* and brought the following recommendation on behalf of the Committee:

<u>CASE</u>	<u>PREVIOUS SANCTION</u>	<u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u>
14-5-885	Revocation - Nov. 10, 2011	Deny

3. Ms. Walker reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 12 *Settlement Agreements* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

<u>CASE</u>	<u>SANCTION</u>	<u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u>
13-3-905	Reprimand	Accept
13-6-1210	Suspension 2 yrs	Accept
13-8-133	Suspension 20 days	Accept
14-3-628	Reprimand	Accept
14-3-670	Suspension 1 yr	Accept
14-3-673	Reprimand	Accept
14-3-678	Suspension 10 days	Accept
14-3-683	Reprimand	Accept
14-4-722	Suspension 10 days	Accept
14-4-807	Denial	Accept
14-5-827	Suspension 1 yr	Accept
14-5-844	Suspension 20 days	Accept

4. Ms. Walker reported that the Educator Ethics Review Committee reviewed 45 *Negotiated Settlement Agreements* and brought the following recommendations on behalf of the Committee:

<u>CASE</u>	<u>NEGOTIATED SANCTION</u>	<u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u>
10-4-1026	Suspension - 60 days	Accept
11-8-116	No Probable Cause	Accept
11-8-125	Suspension - 2 years	Accept
11-8-127	Suspension - 40 days	Accept
11-8-162	Suspension - 60 days	Accept
11-8-157	Suspension - 2 years	Accept
11-8-244	Suspension - 1 year	Accept
11-9-360	No Probable Cause	Accept
11-9-370	Suspension - 90 days	Accept
11-9-371	Suspension - 90 days	Accept
11-9-372	Suspension - 90 days	Accept
11-9-378	No Probable Cause	Accept
11-9-380	Suspension - 60 days	Accept
11-10-532	Suspension - 2 years	Accept
11-11-561	No Probable Cause	Accept
12-3-1040	Reprimand	Accept
12-5-1202	Suspension - 30 days	Accept
12-5-1220	Suspension - 120 days	Reject
12-5-1244	Suspension - 20 days	Accept
12-6-1329	Suspension - 2 years	Accept
12-7-12	Reprimand	Accept
12-7-174	No Probable Cause	Accept

<u>CASE</u>	<u>NEGOTIATED SANCTION</u>	<u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u>
12-9-346	Suspension - 160 days	Accept
12-11-507	Suspension - 5 days	Accept
13-1-719	Suspension - 1 year	Accept
13-2-756	Warning	Accept
13-3-832	Suspension - 10 days	Accept
13-3-917	No Probable Cause	Accept
13-6-1162	Suspension - 10 days	Accept
13-6-1201	No Probable Cause	Accept
13-6-1238	Suspension - 5 days	Accept
13-6-1240	Suspension - 1 year	Accept
13-7-39	Suspension - 35 days	Accept
13-9-140	Suspension - 45 days	Accept
13-9-187	Suspension - 1 year	Accept
13-10-278	No Probable Cause	Accept
13-11-302	Reprimand	Accept
13-11-317	Suspension - 45 days	Accept
13-11-329	Suspension - 1 year	Accept
13-11-335	Suspension - 1 year	Accept
13-12-435	Warning	Accept
14-1-442	Suspension - 1 year	Accept
14-1-489	Warning	Accept
14-3-693	No Probable Cause	Accept
14-4-734	Suspension - 145 days	Reject

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>
PCA 14-7-124	Applicant received a suspension of Massachusetts teaching certificate in 2006 for child support delinquency. The applicant failed to disclose this adverse action when applied for PSC Certification in 2014.	Reprimand

6. The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the *Preliminary Investigative Determination Report* consisting of 119 new complaints received during the months of July and September 2014.

7. VOLUNTARY SURRENDERS

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

<u>CASE</u>	<u>STANDARDS VIOLATED</u>	<u>SANCTION</u>	<u>EERC RECOMMENDATION</u>
13-1-663	1, 2, 10	Voluntary Surrender	Accept
14-2-543	2, 4, 10	Voluntary Surrender	Accept

8. EXTENSIONS – PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATIVE DETERMINATIONS

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended approval of the 74 Extensions - Preliminary Investigative Determinations consisting of the following:

14-7-87	14-7-97	14-7-106	14-7-119	14-8-139	14-8-148	14-8-172	14-9-211
14-7-89	14-7-98	14-7-107	14-7-120	14-8-140	14-8-149	14-8-173	14-9-212
14-7-90	14-7-99	14-7-108	14-7-121	14-8-141	14-8-150	14-8-174	14-9-213
14-7-91	14-7-100	14-7-109	14-7-123	14-8-142	14-8-151	14-8-175	14-9-214
14-7-92	14-7-101	14-7-114	14-7-133	14-8-143	14-8-152	14-8-176	14-9-215
14-7-93	14-7-102	14-7-115	14-7-135	14-8-144	14-8-168	14-8-177	14-9-216
14-7-94	14-7-103	14-7-116	14-8-136	14-8-145	14-8-169	14-8-178	14-9-217
14-7-95	14-7-104	14-7-117	14-8-137	14-8-146	14-8-170	14-8-179	14-9-218
14-7-96	14-7-105	14-7-118	14-8-138	14-8-147	14-8-171	14-9-180	14-9-219
						14-9-189	14-9-220

9. EXTENSIONS - INVESTIGATIONS

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended granting and *Investigative Extension* to the following 169 cases:

WRITTEN COMPLAINT EXTENSIONS							
11-8-130	12-8-263	13-6-1207	13-11-370	14-2-552	14-3-720	14-5-834	14-6-946
11-8-200	12-11-530	13-6-1209	13-12-373	14-2-558	14-4-723	14-5-838	14-6-947
11-9-337	13-2-725	13-6-1226	13-12-375	14-2-568	14-4-729	14-5-863	14-6-950
11-9-343	13-2-759	13-6-1231	13-12-376	14-2-570	14-4-737	14-5-878	14-6-953
11-9-392	13-2-778	13-6-1239	13-12-377	14-2-575	14-4-744	14-5-882	14-6-964
11-9-398	13-3-838	13-6-1241	13-12-379	14-3-581	14-4-752	14-5-884	14-6-969
11-9-399	13-3-865	13-6-1249	13-12-388	14-3-583	14-4-756	14-5-891	14-6-971
11-9-402	13-3-869	13-7-21	13-12-408	14-3-593	14-4-757	14-5-897	14-6-1002
11-9-455	13-3-878	13-7-23	13-12-423	14-3-594	14-4-762	14-5-898	14-6-1003
11-9-456	13-3-891	13-7-36	13-12-424	14-3-633	14-4-766	14-5-903	14-6-1011
11-9-457	13-3-894	13-7-54	13-12-425	14-3-634	14-4-767	14-5-905	14-6-1018
11-9-458	13-4-982	13-8-56	13-12-426	14-3-635	14-4-772	14-5-909	14-6-1027
11-9-459	13-4-983	13-9-143	14-1-444	14-3-642	14-4-778	14-5-914	14-6-1036
11-11-600	13-4-1007	13-9-192	14-1-469	14-3-644	14-4-785	14-5-922	14-6-1037
11-12-702	13-4-1016	13-9-217	14-1-473	14-3-645	14-4-815	14-6-930	14-6-1038
12-2-896	13-5-1032	13-9-229	14-1-477	14-3-654	14-5-818	14-6-931	
12-2-901	13-5-1043	13-10-239	14-1-480	14-3-655	14-5-819	14-6-938	
12-3-1026	13-5-1049	13-10-279	14-1-483	14-3-659	14-5-822	14-6-939	
12-4-1120	13-5-1076	13-11-307	14-1-490	14-3-660	14-5-823	14-6-940	
12-4-1133	13-5-1087	13-11-312	14-2-516	14-3-662	14-5-826	14-6-942	

WRITTEN COMPLAINT EXTENSIONS						
12-7-111	13-6-1176	13-11-327	14-2-527	14-3-663	14-5-829	14-6-943
12-7-112	13-6-1199	13-11-356	14-2-550	14-3-680	14-5-830	14-6-944

10. APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION REPORT

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended to approve a no probable cause determination on 36 cases reflected on the *Applications for Certification Report*.

11. FINAL DECISIONS

The Educator Ethics Review Committee recommended to approve the Final Decisions below:

CASE	ORIGINAL SANCTION	ALJ SANCTION	EERC RECOMMENDATION
12-12-591	Suspension 1 year	Suspension 90 days	Accept
13-9-206	Revocation	Revocation	Accept

Chair Elkins called for approval of the Educator Ethics Review Committee report as presented by Pam Walker excluding case #14-5-895 and 14-5-896.

PSC ACTION: Approved

Abstention: Bettina Polite-Tate – 13-11-329, 14-8-153, 14-8-154, 14-6-928, 14-5-837, Kami Luigs – 10-4-1026, 11-8-116, 11-8-125, 11-8-127, 11-8-162, 11-8-157, 11-9-360, 11-9-370, 11-9-371, 11-9-372, 11-9-378, 11-9-380, 11-11-561, 13-3-861, 14-3-638, 14-3-647, 14-5-881, 14-5-882, 14-7-53, 14-7-54, 14-7-55, 14-7-56, 14-7-57, 14-7-58, 14-7-59, 14-7-60, 14-7-61, 14-7-62, 14-7-63, 14-7-64, 14-7-65, 14-7-66, 14-7-67, 14-7-68, 14-7-69, 14-7-97, 14-7-98, 14-7-99, 14-7-103, 14-7-104, 14-7-105, 14-7-106, 14-8-151, Dr. Jim Barrett – 13-6-1244, Scott Justus – 10-12-562, Pam Walker – 14-8-150, 13-6-1240, David Smith—all cases, Dr. Adrian Epps—all cases

Probable Cause Case # 14-5-895

MOTION: (Kami Luigs/ Phil Jacobs) To reject the EERC’s recommendation of a 1 Year Suspension and issue a 2 Year Suspension.

PSC ACTION: Approved

Opposed: Bettina Polite Tate, Carol Rivera, Valerie Mateen

Abstention: Dr. Adrian Epps, David Smith

Probable Cause Case # 14-5-896

MOTION: (Kami Luigs/ Phil Jacobs) To reject the EERC’s recommendation of a 2 Year Suspension and issue a Revocation.

PSC ACTION: Approved

Opposed: Bettina Polite Tate, Sheryl Stalvey, Carol Rivera, Pam Walker, Valerie Mateen and Dr. Jim Barrett

Abstention: Dr. Adrian Epps, David Smith

Chair Elkins vote was called on. Chair Elkins agreed with Revocation so it passed.

VI. RULES

Anne Marie Fenton presented the rules.

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The rules brought before the Commission for adoption will be scheduled for an October 15, 2014, effective date.

They were asked to:

(1) amend the current rules in Chapter 505-2 Certification, effective October 15, 2014, as follows: 505-2-.87, 505-2-.89, and 505-2-.90;

(2) rescind the current rules in Chapter 505-3 Educator Preparation, effective October 15, 2014, as follows: 505-3-.13, 505-3-.14, 505-3-.17, 505-3-.24, 505-3-.34, 505-3-.35, 505-3-.36, 505-3-.37, 505-3-.38, 505-3-.39, 505-3-.40, 505-3-.70, 505-3-.82, 505-3-.83, 505-3-.84, 505-3-.86, and 505-3-.87;

(3) adopt the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation, effective October 15, 2014, as follows: 505-3-.13, 505-3-.14, 505-3-.24, 505-3-.25, 505-3-.34, 505-3-.35, 505-3-.36, 505-3-.37, 505-3-.38, 505-3-.39, 505-3-.40, 505-3-.82, 505-3-.84, 505-3-.86, 505-3-.87;

(4) amend the current rules in Chapter 505-3 Educator Preparation, effective October 15, 2014, as follows: 505-3-.01;

(5) amend the current rules in Chapter 505-6 Ethics, effective October 15, 2014, as follows: 505-6-.01, and 505-6-.02.

MOTION: (Phil Jacobs / Scott Justus) To initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedures Act so as to provide for (1) amending the current rules in Chapter 505-2 Certification, effective October 15, 2014, as follows: 505-2-.87, 505-2-.89, and 505-2-.90; (2) rescinding the current rules in Chapter 505-3 Educator Preparation, effective October 15, 2014, as follows: 505-3-.13, 505-3-.14, 505-3-.17, 505-3-.24, 505-3-.34, 505-3-.35, 505-3-.36, 505-3-.37, 505-3-.38, 505-3-.39, 505-3-.40, 505-3-.70, 505-3-.82, 505-3-.83, 505-3-.84, 505-3-.86, and 505-3-.87; (3) adopting the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation, effective October 15, 2014, as follows: 505-3-.13, 505-3-.14, 505-3-.24, 505-3-.25, 505-3-.34, 505-3-.35, 505-3-.36, 505-3-.37, 505-3-.38, 505-3-.39, 505-3-.40, 505-3-.82, 505-3-.84, 505-3-.86, 505-3-.87; (4) amending the current rules in Chapter 505-3 Educator Preparation, effective October 15, 2014, as follows: 505-3-.01; (5) amending the current rules in Chapter 505-6 Ethics, effective October 15, 2014, as follows: 505-6-.01, and 505-6-.02.

PSC ACTION: Approved

Abstention: David Smith, Dr. Jim Barrett, Dr. Adrian Epps

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Dr. Elkins called for the meeting to be adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

PSC ACTION: Approved