

Minutes of Mississippi Board of Education Meeting

June 19, 2014

The members of the Mississippi Board of Education met in a work session at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 19, 2014 in the 4th Floor Boardroom of the Central High School Building, 359 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi. Board members present were: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, Ms. Kami Bumgarner, Dr. O. Wayne Gann, Mr. William H. Jones, and Dr. John R. Kelly. Board members absent were: Mr. Charles McClelland, Mr. Richard Morrison, and Mr. Simon F. Weir, II.

The work session was called to order by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, Chair. Dr. Gann noted the statement on the agenda that cellular telephones and pagers are not permitted during the work session.

Dr. Carey M. Wright gave the following report as the State Superintendent of Education:

- Dr. Wright welcomed students from the Mississippi College Cohort education leadership program under the leadership of Dr. Britt Dickens.
- Dr. Wright attended the Charter Authorizer Board where one charter was approved. She reported that the Charter Authorizer Board had received 15 proposals and only three applications.
- Dr. Wright spoke at the CREATE Foundation in Tupelo, Mississippi, the Minority Leadership Conference in Gulfport, Mississippi, and the Mississippi Connection Conference in Biloxi, Mississippi where there were 2,000 teachers in attendance.
- Dr. Wright attended the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) – Rural Education in America with other state superintendents from rural America.
- Dr. Wright spoke at the Federal Program Directors' meeting in Jackson, Mississippi on the importance of providing leadership.
- Dr. Wright recognized Ms. Rhushell Moore for going beyond the call of duty by helping her co-worker, Mr. Angelo Nuzzo, when he suffered a serious physical condition on the way into the building on April 25, 2014. Mr. Nuzzo was recognized at the meeting.
- Dr. Wright recognized Ms. Darla Hammons, Ms. Rachael Ellis, and Ms. Kristi Kelly for their hard work and long hours to make sure the Board materials are provided to each of the Board members.

Dr. Gann stated that he attended the CREATE Foundation meeting and stated that Dr. Wright did an outstanding job representing the Board.

There was no report from any Board subcommittees.

Dr. Gann stated that he had received a letter from Mr. Simon F. Weir, II resigning from the State Board of Education because of his work. Dr. Gann thanked Mr. Weir for serving on the State Board of Education.

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Mr. Pat Ross and Mr. Mike Kent reported on the consolidation status of Bolivar County. Mr. Kent reported that Bolivar County was consolidated and gave the following report:

The new North Bolivar Consolidated Board and the new West Bolivar Consolidated Board are meeting on a regular basis and conducting business. The schools are staffed and ready to open. Teacher and principal contracts have been issued. Applications have been made for new MSIS numbers and new tax ID numbers. Insurance has been secured. Board members are bonded. New superintendents have been hired. The issues remaining to be addressed are: hire business managers, select bank depositories, resolve all at-will agreements, create central office structure, advertise and fill positions, set work schedules and salary for classified staff, and resolve policy differences.

Mr. Ross reported on the Mass Insight State Development Network School Turnaround Diagnostic review process. He stated that the back-up information includes the responses from the Office of School Performance that the Board had requested from the report last month (copy attached).

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Mr. Ivey and Ms. Neal discussed the appointments to the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development. Mr. Ivey recommended approval on Friday.

Mr. Ivey and Ms. Neal discussed contracting with Doc Imaging, LLC to provide consultative services to transfer educator licensure credentials from microfiche to 300 DPI searchable images. Mr. Ivey recommended approval on Friday.

Mr. Ivey discussed modifying the contract with DLT Solutions, LLC to provide services to convert the Mississippi Accountability Model and upgrade additional Oracle forms and reports. Mr. Ivey recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Gann stated that items 46 and 47 involve issuance of an appealable orders and investigative proceedings and will be heard in Executive Session.

46. Action on appeal to the State Board of Education regarding the March 19, 2014, Licensure decision rendered by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure Development (Todd Ivey)
47. Action on appeal to the State Board of Education regarding the April 8, 2014, Licensure decision rendered by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure Development (Todd Ivey)

Dr. Gann gave the Board an opportunity to discuss the following consent agenda items.

- A. Discussion of monthly contracts with former State Employees receiving retirement benefits (Todd Ivey)
- B. Discussion of career and technical education funds for special projects appropriated by the Mississippi Legislature House Bill 1476, 2014 Legislative Session (Kim Benton)
- C. Discussion of the Mississippi School for the Blind and the Mississippi School for the Deaf Staff Handbook (Kim Benton)
- D. Discussion of the Mississippi School for the Deaf Student Handbook (Kim Benton)
- E. Discussion of the Mississippi School for the Deaf Academic Calendar (Kim Benton)
- F. Discussion of the Mississippi School for the Blind Academic Calendar (Kim Benton)
- G. Discussion of grant awards for special projects appropriated by the Mississippi Legislature, House Bill 1476, 2014 Legislative Session (subject to the availability of funds) (Carey Wright)
- H. Discussion of Security Service Agreement with the Department of Finance and Administration, Capitol Police, for the provision of security services at the Mississippi Department of Education, Central High School Building (Carey Wright)
- I. Discussion to award competitive contracts to various milk and ice cream distributors to supply and deliver milk and ice cream products to local

organizations in the State Food Purchasing Program (all Regions in the State) (Todd Ivey)

- J. Discussion to approve Praxis II 5017 (Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment), 5018 (Elementary Education: Content Knowledge), and 5440 (Middle School Science), and recommended passing scores of 62 for Praxis II 5017 (Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment); recommended passing score of 83 for 5018 (Elementary Education: Content Knowledge); and recommended passing score of 60 for 5440 (Middle School Science), as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development (Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment) (Todd Ivey)
 - A. Praxis II Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment (5017) to Replace 0011/5011
 - B. Praxis II Elementary Education: Content Knowledge (5018) to replace 0014/5014
 - C. Praxis II Middle School Science (5440) to replace 0439
- K Report of Personnel Actions (Todd Ivey)

There was no discussion on the Consent Agenda items.

The Board recessed for lunch at 11:49 a.m. and reconvened at 12:47 p.m.

Mr. William H. Jones moved that the Board consider making a closed determination of the need to go into Executive Session with respect to prospective litigation, litigation, issuance of an appealable order and investigative proceedings in accordance with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (4)(b) and (d). The motion was seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, and the motion passed on a vote of 4 to 0.

Mr. William H. Jones, then moved that the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of a strategy session or negotiations with respect to prospective litigation and litigation involving the Department and the issuance of an appealable order in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(b) and discussion with respect to investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct or violation of law by school districts in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(d) and transaction of business related thereto. Ms. Kami Bumgarner, seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 4 to 0.

Dr. O. Wayne Gann stated the following to remain in the Executive Session: Dr. Carey M. Wright, Dr. Kim Benton, Mr. Todd Ivey, Mr. Washington Cole, Mr. Pat Ross, Dr. John Porter, Mr. Pete Smith, Ms. Cerissa Neal, and Ms. Kathy Boteler. Ms. Kathy Boteler informed the public of the Board's vote to go into Executive Session for the above-stated reasons.

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The Board discussed strategy session or negotiations with respect to prospective litigation and litigation involving the Department and the issuance of appealable orders in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(b) and discussion with respect to investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct or violation of law by school districts in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(d) and transaction of business related thereto.

The Board took action on the following items during the Executive Session:

1. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, the Board voted 4 to 0 to reverse the decision of the Licensure Commission to suspend Educator License No. 176890 for one year.

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. William H. Jones

Members voting no: None

Member absent: Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison

2. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board voted 4 to 0 to remand the case of Educator License No. 158622 for rehearing.

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. William H. Jones

Members voting no: None

Member absent: Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison

3. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, the Board voted 4 to 0 to approve a contract with Caveon Test Security to conduct an investigative audit of Clarksdale Municipal School District for an amount not to exceed \$246,000.00.

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. William H. Jones

Members voting no: None

Member absent: Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison

On motion by Mr. Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the motion passed on a vote 4 to 0 to come out of Executive Session. The public returned to the open meeting.

Consideration of Executive Session

Mr. William H. Jones moved that the Board consider making a closed determination of the need to go into Executive Session with respect to personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, and the motion passed on a vote of 4 to 0.

Mr. William H. Jones then moved in open session that the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of strategy session with respect to the discussion of a discrete personnel matter in accordance with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (a) and (k). Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 4 to 0.

Dr. O. Wayne Gann stated the following to remain in the Executive Session: Dr. Carey M. Wright, Mr. Todd Ivey, and Ms. Kathy Boteler.

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The Board discussed a discrete personnel matter related to the appointment of a Director of the Office of Educational Accountability and transaction of business related thereto in accordance with Mississippi Code Sessions 25-41-7 (a) and (k).

The Board took no action during the Executive Session:

On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, the Board passed on a vote 4 to 0 to come out of Executive Session.

On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board

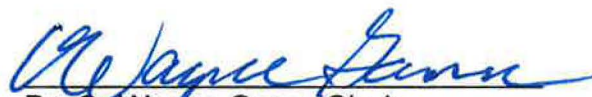
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unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Approved:



Dr. O. Wayne Gann, Chair
Mississippi Board of Education



Dr. Carey M. Wright
Executive Secretary
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- I. The meeting was called to order by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, Chair. Dr. Gann noted the statement on the agenda that cellular telephones and pagers are not permitted during the Board meeting.
- II. Mr. William H. Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Mr. Richard Morrison gave the Invocation.
- III. On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the May 15-16, 2014 Board meeting.

Dr. Gann stated that items 37 and 38 were reworded as follows:

37. Approval to remand back to the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development for further consideration as to whether to modify the title of the 216 Speech/Language Therapist bachelor's level license to 216 Speech Associate and clarify the language within the 216 guidelines
38. Approval to remand back to the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development for further consideration the request from the Mississippi Speech-Language-Hearing Association to require candidates for the 216 Speech/Language Therapist license to complete 100 hours of Practicum Experience

Dr. Gann stated that on item 44 the contract for Doc Imaging, LLC was indicated to be in Jackson, Tennessee on the back-up material but it is located in Memphis, Tennessee. A revised document was provided to each Board member.

Dr. Gann stated that items 46 and 47 were removed from the agenda due to the Board voting on these items in the Executive Session yesterday.

- IV. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved the revised agenda as presented.

V. Report of the Chair

Dr. Gann reported that the Board voted yesterday in Executive Session to:

1. Reverse the decision of the Licensure Commission to suspend Educator License No. 176890 for one year.
2. Remand the case of Educator License No. 158622 to the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development for rehearing.
3. Approve a contract with Caveon Test Security.

VI. Approval of Action Items

(Items below are numbered to correspond to the items as discussed on Thursday, June 19, 2014.)

07. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to contract with a Harvard Data Fellow for the Office of School Performance as provided by House Bill 1648, 2013 Legislative Session (copy attached).
(Office of Chief School Performance Officer)
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37. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, the Board unanimously approved to remand back to the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development for further consideration as to whether to modify the title of the 216 Speech/Language Therapist bachelor's level license to 216 Speech Associate and clarify the language within the 216 guidelines (copy attached).
(Office of Chief Operations Officer)

38. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, the Board unanimously approved to remand back to the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development for further consideration the request from the Mississippi Speech-Language-Hearing Association to require candidates for the 216 Speech/Language Therapist license to complete 100 hours of Practicum Experience (copy attached).
(Office of Chief Operations Officer)

39. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved the 2013 Process and Performance Reviews of Teacher Education Preparation Programs as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development (copy attached).
(Office of Chief Operations Officer)

Mr. William H. Jones commented on the 2014 Teacher Prep Review that was given to the Board members by Ms. Cerissa Neal. The Board members discussed the report and Dr. O. Wayne Gann suggested a subcommittee of the Board be created to review the matter.

40. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to renew the grant to the University of Mississippi for the Mississippi Teacher Fellowship Program (subject to the availability of funds) (copy attached).
(Office of Chief Operations Officer)

41. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to enter into an agreement with the Mississippi Community College Foundation to continue to administer the Alternate Route Administrator Program known as the Mississippi Alternate Path to Quality School Leadership (MAPQSL) for the 2014-2015 School Year (copy attached).
(Office of Chief Operations Officer)
42. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to enter into an agreement with the Mississippi Community College Foundation to continue to administer the Alternate Route Teacher Certification Program known as the Mississippi Alternate Path to Quality Teachers (MAPQT) for the 2014-15 School Year (copy attached).
(Office of Chief Operations Officer)
43. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved the appointments of Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson, Hinds Community College (District 2 – Representative Junior Colleges) and Dr. Jamilliah Longino, Clinton Public Schools (Districts 3 – School Administrator) to the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development (copy attached).
(Office of Chief Operations Officer)
44. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to contract with Doc Imaging, LLC to provide consultative services to transfer educator licensure credentials from microfiche to 300 DPI searchable images (copy attached).
(Office of Chief Operations Officer)
45. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to modify contract with DLT Solutions, LLC to provide services to convert the Mississippi Accountability Model and upgrade additional Oracle forms and reports (copy attached).
(Office of Chief Operations Officer)
48. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. William H. Jones, the Board unanimously approved the following consent items (copy attached):
 - A. Approval of monthly contracts with former State Employees receiving retirement benefits
(Office of Chief Operations Officer)
 - B. Approval of career and technical education funds for special projects appropriated by the Mississippi Legislature House Bill 1476, 2014 Legislative Session
(Office of Chief Academic Officer)

- C. Approval of the Mississippi School for the Blind and the Mississippi School for the Deaf Staff Handbook
(Office of Chief Academic Officer)
- D. Approval of the Mississippi School for the Deaf Student Handbook
(Office of Chief Academic Officer)
- E. Approval of the Mississippi School for the Deaf Academic Calendar
(Office of Chief Academic Officer)
- F. Approval of the Mississippi School for the Blind Academic Calendar
(Office of Chief Academic Officer)
- G. Approval of grant awards for special projects appropriated by the Mississippi Legislature, House Bill 1476, 2014 Legislative Session (subject to the availability of funds)
(Office of State Superintendent)
- H. Approval of Security Service Agreement with the Department of Finance and Administration, Capitol Police, for the provision of security services at the Mississippi Department of Education, Central High School Building
(Office of State Superintendent)
- I. Approval to award competitive contracts to various milk and ice cream distributors to supply and deliver milk and ice cream products to local organizations in the State Food Purchasing Program (all Regions in the State)
(Office of Chief Operations Officer)
- J. Approval to approve Praxis II 5017 (Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment), 5018 (Elementary Education: Content Knowledge), and 5440 (Middle School Science), and recommended passing scores of 62 for Praxis II 5017 (Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment); recommended passing score of 83 for 5018 (Elementary Education: Content Knowledge); and recommended passing score of 60 for 5440 (Middle School Science), as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)
(Office of Chief Operations Officer)
 - 1. Praxis II Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment (5017) to Replace 0011/5011

2. Praxis II Elementary Education: Content Knowledge (5018) to replace 0014/5014
3. Praxis II Middle School Science (5440) to replace 0439

VII. Recognition Ceremony

2014 June Employee of the Month

Patricia Mei-Small
Office of Federal Programs
Education Specialist Senior

VIII. State Board of Education

01. There was no report on meetings attended.
02. There was no request to attend a meeting.
03. On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved the meeting dates for Fiscal Year 2015 (copy attached).

IX. Other Business

Dr. Gann announced that the July Board meeting is scheduled for July 17-18, 2014.

X. Consideration of Executive Session

Dr. John R. Kelly moved that the Board consider making a closed determination of the need to go into Executive Session with respect to personnel issues in accordance with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (4)(a) and (k). The motion was seconded by Mr. William H. Jones, and the motion passed on a vote of 5 to 0.

Dr. John R. Kelly, then moved that the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of a discrete personnel matter related to the appointment of a Director of the Office of Educational Accountability and transaction of business related thereto in accordance with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (a) and (k). Mr. William H. Jones seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 5 to 0.

Ms. Kathy Boteler informed the public of the Board's vote to go into Executive Session for the above-stated reasons.

Dr. O. Wayne Gann stated the following to remain in the Executive Session: Dr. Carey M. Wright and Ms. Kathy Boteler.

Mr. Richard Morrison left the Board meeting at 8:49 am and did not participate in the Executive Session.

Minutes of the Executive Session

The Board discussed a discrete personnel matter related to the appointment of a Director of the Office of Educational Accountability and transaction of business related thereto in accordance with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (a) and (k).

The Board took action on the following item during the Executive Session:

1. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, the Board voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Ms. Sonya Amis, as Director, Office of Educational Accountability at a salary of \$142,500.00.

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. William H. Jones
Ms. Kami Bumgarner

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison

On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board passed on a vote 4 to 0 to come out of Executive Session.

XI. Adjournment

On a motion by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, seconded by Mr. William H. Jones, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

Approved:



Dr. O. Wayne Gann, Chair
Mississippi Board of Education



Dr. Carey M. Wright
Executive Secretary
Mississippi Board of Education