



**Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education,  
Certification, and Licensure and Development  
Regular Meeting  
March 7, 2025  
10:00 a.m.**

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-3-2(3) and 25-41-5, the members of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development (Commission) met at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 7, 2025, in the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Board Room located at Central High School Office Building, 359 N. West Street, Jackson, MS 39201, with some members present via teleconference.

**Members Attending:**

Dylan Baldwin  
Rebecca Gray  
Mary Hill-Taylor  
John Howard  
Kim Hubbard

Dr. Teresa Jayroe  
Dr. Bernell Kelly  
David Martin  
William D. Murphy  
Dr. Teresa Poole

Etta Taplin  
Aaron Wilson

**Members Absent:**

James Creel

**Mississippi Department of Education (MDE):**

Dr. Cory Murphy  
Tamika Lipsey

Limeul Eubanks  
Scott DeJong

Andrea Hanson

**Special Assistant Attorney General Attending:**

Jonathan Dennis

**I. Call to Order**

David Martin called the meeting to order on Friday, March 7, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

## **II. Establishment of a Quorum**

Dylan Baldwin	Present, Jackson, MS
James Creel	Absent
Rebecca Gray	Present, Iuka, MS
Mary Hill-Taylor	Present, Choctaw, MS
John Howard	Present, Clarksdale, MS
Kim Hubbard	Present, Flowood, MS
Dr. Teresa Jayroe	Present, Starkville, MS
Dr. Bernell Kelly	Present, Gulfport, MS
David Martin	Present, Jackson, MS
William D. Murphy	Present, Indianola, MS
Dr. Teresa Poole	Present, Hattiesburg, MS
Etta Taplin	Present, Jackson, MS
Aaron Wilson	Present, Jackson, MS

A quorum of the Commission was present at the locations stated for conducting a meeting through in-person and teleconference means.

## **III. Approval of the minutes of the January 10, 2025, Meeting of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development**

On a motion from Kim Hubbard, seconded by Etta Taplin, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes for the January 10, 2025, meeting of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development.

## **IV. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes of January 8, 2025**

On a motion from Mary Hill-Taylor, seconded by William Murphy, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes for the January 8, 2025, hearing subcommittee.

## **V. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes of February 5, 2025**

On a motion from Etta Taplin, seconded by William Murphy, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes for the February 5, 2025, hearing subcommittee.

## **VI. Adoption of Agenda**

On a motion from Dylan Baldwin, seconded by Aaron Wilson, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the agenda.

## **VII. Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Updates (Dr. Cory Murphy)**

Dr. Murphy provided updates on the MECCA System and encouraged everyone to participate in

the Elevate Teachers Conference 2025.

**VIII. Approval to establish a qualifying score for the revised versions of certain Praxis Subject Assessments: Early Childhood Education: Foundational Knowledge and Content (Test Code 5534); Family and Consumer Sciences (5123); and Social Studies (5581) as recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development and approval to establish a qualifying score for Praxis Subject Assessment: Japanese: World Language (Test Code 5661) and add Japanese: World Language (Licensure Endorsement Code TBD) to the list of approved supplemental endorsements that may be added to a valid three (3) year internship license or valid five (5) year standard license by obtaining a passing score on the appropriate Praxis Subject Assessment; and update the test code associated with the Foundations of Reading Assessment to change from test code 190 to test code 890 with no changes to the test content, and no change to the current Mississippi Board of Education's required passing score.**

Dr. Cory Murphy presented the information to the Commission. On a motion from Aaron Wilson, seconded by Dr. Teresa Jayroe, the Commission voted unanimously to approve to establish a qualifying score for the revised version of certain Praxis Subject Assessments: Early Childhood Education: Foundational Knowledge and Content (Test Code 5534); Family and Consumer Sciences (5123); and Social Studies (5581) as recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development and approval to establish a qualifying score for Praxis Subject Assessment: Japanese: World Language (Test Code 5661) and add Japanese: World Language (Licensure Endorsement Code TBD) to the list of approved supplemental endorsements that may be added to a valid three (3) year internship license or valid five (5) year standard license by obtaining a passing score on the appropriate Praxis Subject Assessment; and update the test code associated with the Foundations of Reading Assessment to change from test code 190 to test code 890 with no changes to the test content, and no change to the current Mississippi Board of Education's required passing score.

**IX. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act Process: To revise Miss. Admin. Code 7-4: Part 4: Licensure Guidelines K-12 to establish a supplemental endorsement and licensure criteria for Advanced Placement Computer Science A (Licensure Endorsement Code 612).**

Ms. Wendy Clemons presented this information to the Commission. On a motion from Mary Hill-Taylor, seconded by Dylan Baldwin, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Administrative Procedures Act Process: To revise Miss. Admin. Code 7 – 4: Part 4: Licensure Guidelines K-12 to establish a supplemental endorsement and licensure criteria for Advanced Placement Computer Science A (Licensure Endorsement Code 612).

**X. Approval of ratifications of agreed orders and/or voluntary surrender (Mr. Scott DeJong)**

On a motion by Kim Hubbard, seconded by Aaron Wilson, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the six (6) agreed orders presented for the following educators:



E. Pursley	Educator# 328179	P. Capdepon	Educator# 324537
V. Seale	Educator# 324374	L. Ingram	Educator# 329841
C. Collins	Educator# 314767	M. Payne	Educator# 206336

## **XI. Adjournment**


On a motion from Etta Taplin, seconded by John Howard, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Approved:



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David Martin, Chair  
Commission on Teacher and Administrator  
Education, Certification and Licensure and  
Development



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Cory Murphy, PH.D., Executive  
Secretary Commission on Teacher and  
Administrator Education, Certification  
and Licensure and Development