



**Commission on Teacher and Administrator
Education, Certification, and Licensure and
Development Regular Meeting
November 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, November 7, 2025, in the 4th 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
John Howard
Kim Hubbard

Dr. Teresa Jayroe
Dr. Bernell Kelly
David Martin, chairperson
William D. Murphy

Dr. Teresa Poole
Etta Taplin
Aaron Wilson

Members absent:

James Creel and Mary Hill-Taylor

Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Staff Members in Attendance:

Dr. Cory Murphy
Scott DeJong

Tamika Lipsey
Courtney Van Cleve

Dr. Paula Vanderford
Lori D. Hartley

Special Assistant Attorney General Attending:

Jonathan Dennis

I. Call to Order

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

II. Establishment of a Quorum

Dylan Baldwin, present, Tupelo, MS
Rebecca Gray, present, Jackson, MS

Dr. Bernell Kelly, present, Jackson, MS
David Martin, present, Jackson, MS

John Howard, present, Clarksdale, MS
Kim Hubbard, present, Flowood, MS
Dr. Teresa Jayroe, Starkville, MS

William D. Murphy, present, Drew, 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 September 5, 2025, meeting of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development

On a motion from Kim Hubbard, seconded by Dylan Baldwin, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes for the September 5, 2025, meeting of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development.

IV. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes on September 5, 2025

On a motion from Etta Taplin, seconded by David Martin, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes for the subcommittee hearing on September 5, 2025.

V. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes on September 24, 2025

On a motion from Kim Hubbard, seconded by David Martin, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes for the subcommittee hearing on September 24, 2025.

VI. Approval of the hearing subcommittee minutes on October 8, 2025

On a motion from Etta Taplin, seconded by William D. Murphy, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes for the subcommittee hearing on October 8, 2025.

VII. Adoption of Agenda

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

VIII. Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Updates

Dr. Cory Murphy presented updates on the Teacher Residency Program and congratulated Milken Educator Award winner, Kayla Saxton from Madison County School District. In addition, Dr. Murphy recognized Commission member Mary Hill-Taylor for her completion of two (2) full terms of service on the Commission.

IX. Approval of the Proposed 2026 Dates of the Regular Meeting for the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development

On motion from Dr. Teresa Jayroe, seconded by John Howard, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the 2026 regular meeting dates for the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification, and Licensure and Development.

X. Approval of ratifications of agreed orders and/or voluntary surrenders

On a motion from Aaron Wilson, seconded by Rebecca Gray, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the three (3) agreed order presented for the following educator:

Standard 9	Ebony Marshall-Newsome	Educator License # 224202
Standard 4	Logan Polk	Educator License # 322431
Standard 4	Hayley Caswell	Educator License # 206208

XI. Adjournment

On a motion from Kim Hubbard, seconded by Aaron Wilson, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 a.m.

Approved:



David Martin, Chair
Commission on Teacher and Administrator
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Cory Murphy, PH.D., Executive Secretary,
Commission on Teacher and Administrator
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