

Minutes
Professional Review Committee Meeting

Date

December 13, 2024

Time

10:00 a.m.

Location

Video Conference via Teams

Dr. Kevin Eakes, Chair

Committee Members Present: Kevin Eakes, Judy Collazo, Reggie Williams, Mark McCann, Julie Fernandez, Jennifer Wise, Cathy Scott, Erin Hamel, Jerome Davis, Kelly Harrison, Tria Grant, Michiko McClary, and Brian Carruthers

Ex officio, non-voting member Absent: Lishu Yin

Office of Educator Services (OES) Staff Present: Jacki Walsh and Jessica McLees

I. Overview

- A. Meeting Called to Order
Kevin Eakes called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
- B. Quorum of Members Determined
Kevin Eakes confirmed a quorum of members present for the meeting.
- C. Welcome from the Chair
Kevin Eakes offered a welcome to the group and provided a brief overview of the meeting.
- D. Approval of the Agenda
Judy Collazo made a motion to approve the agenda. Mark McCann seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- E. Approval of the November Meeting Minutes
Unanimous approval of the November meeting minutes.

II. South Carolina Department of Education Information and Update Items

- A. On November 8, 2024, the SCDE received the Initial Program Report for Newberry College's Secondary Social Studies Program. The PRC will render a decision at the March 2025 meeting.
- B. On November 12, 2024, the SCDE received an Intent to Submit a New Program from Claflin University. The new program includes an MAT in Special Education: Multi Categorical.
- C. On November 18, 2024, the SCDE received notification that Teach Charleston will add the certification field of ESOL. This new field will begin immediately.

- D. On December 4, 2024, the SCDE received notification that Charter Inspire will expand its certification offerings to include Physical Education, Art, Dance, and Music. This change will begin in the 2025-2026 academic year.
- E. The SCDE received the following feedback from Lander University regarding the SPED PK program, “The PRC’s work is deeply appreciated! I know this was a new way to review these PK SPED reports and we are grateful for their leadership.”
- F. On December 10, 2024, the SCDE received the Continuing Program Report for North Greenville University’s Elementary (online-only program). The PRC will render a decision at the March 2025 meeting.
- G. On December 13, 2024, the SCDE received the Continuing Program Report for Newberry College’s Secondary Mathematics Program. The PRC will render a decision at the March 2025 meeting.

III. New Alternative Educator Preparation Program

- A. Winthrop University’s NetAPT, Additional fields of Early Childhood and Elementary. After much discussion, the motion passed.

IV. New Programs for Traditional Educator Preparation Programs (January approval items)

- A. North Greenville University, Post-Master in Administration and Supervision
- B. University of South Carolina – Aiken, M.Ed. in Educational Leadership
- C. Columbia International University, M.Ed. in Educational Leadership

The PRC will render a decision on these programs at the January meeting.

V. Initial Continuing Reports

The PRC rendered the following decisions:

- A. Lander University
 - i. Bachelor of Science, Elementary, *State Recognized*
 - ii. Bachelor of Science, Secondary Chemistry, *State Recognition with Conditions*
 - iii. Bachelor of Science, Secondary History, *State Recognition with Conditions*
 - iv. Bachelor of Science, Secondary Mathematics, *State Recognized*
- B. Francis Marion University
 - i. Bachelor of Science, Art, *Further Development Required*
 - ii. Bachelor of Science, Elementary, *State Recognition with Conditions*
 - iii. Bachelor of Science, Secondary Biology, *State Recognized*
 - iv. Bachelor of Science, Secondary English, *State Recognized*
 - v. Bachelor of Science, Secondary History, *State Recognized*
 - vi. Bachelor of Science, Secondary Mathematics, *State Recognized*
 - vii. Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts in Teaching, Special Education: Multi-Categorical (K-12), *State Recognized*
 - viii. Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts in Teaching, Special Education: Multi-Categorical (PK), *State Recognized*
- C. College of Charleston
 - i. Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts in Teaching, Early Childhood, *State Recognized*
- D. South Carolina State University
 - i. Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts in Teaching, Secondary Biology, *Further Development Required*

- ii. Bachelor of Science, Secondary Social Studies, *Further Development Required*
- iii. Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in Teaching, Secondary English Language Arts, *State Recognition with Conditions*
- iv. Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts in Teaching, Secondary Mathematics. *Further Development Required*
- v. Bachelor of Science, Special Education Learning Disability (K-12), *Further Development Required*

VI. Response to Conditions Reports

- A. Coastal Carolina University
 - i. Master of Arts in Teaching, Mathematics, *State Recognized*
 - ii. Master of Arts in Teaching, English Language Arts, *State Recognized*
- B. North Greenville University
 - i. Bachelor of Science, Secondary Social Studies, *State Recognized*

VII. New Business

No new business.

VIII. Good of the Order

Mark McCann made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tria Grant seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:56 am.