

Minutes
Professional Review Committee Meeting

Date

September 13th, 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, Tria Grant, Julie Fernandez, Brian Carruthers, Jennifer Wise, Cathy Scott, Erin Hamel, and Kelly Harrison

Ex officio, non-voting member Present: Lishu Yin

Committee Members Absent: Jerome Davis and Michiko McClary

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 10:01 am.
- 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
Kelly Harrison made a motion to approve the agenda. Judy Collazo seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- E. Approval of the August Meeting Minutes
Unanimous approval of the August meeting minutes.

II. South Carolina Department of Education Information and Update Items

- A. The PRC will render decisions on the initial continuing reports from Newberry College, as well as the response to conditions reports from Coastal Carolina University, Morris College, and North Greenville University at the October meeting.
- B. The SCDE received the initial continuing reports for the following Lander University Programs:
 - i. Special Education: Multi-Categorical,
 - ii. Secondary History,
 - iii. Early Childhood Education,
 - iv. Elementary Education,
 - v. Secondary Chemistry, and
 - vi. Secondary Mathematics.

- C. On September 6, 2024, the SCDE received a new alternative certification program proposal from Aiken County Public Schools called Teach Aiken. This proposal seeks to certify teachers in the fields of , Early Childhood, Elementary, Special Education – Multi-Categorical, Middle-Level ELA, Social Studies, Math, and Science, as well as Secondary – ELA, Social Studies, Math, and Science.
- D. On September 9, 2024, the SCDE received a new alternative certification program proposal from the school districts of Anderson, Oconee, and Pickens, called Teach AOP. The proposal seeks to certify teachers in the fields of, Special Education – Multi-Categorical, Business and Marketing, Physical Education, Middle-level Science, Middle-level Mathematics, Secondary Science, and Secondary Math.
- E. On September 9, 2024, the SCDE received the continuing report for Coastal Carolina University’s MAT in Mathematics program.
- F. The SCDE’s Office of Educator Preparation will hold a virtual meeting on Thursday, October 10 from 1:30 – 3:30 pm to review the 2024 K-12 ELA Standards. This meeting will feature the SCDE’s ELA Standards Team and provide EPPs with existing resources to help pre-service teachers.

III. New Alternative Educator Preparation Program

- A. Winthrop’s NetAPT
Additional Fields of Early Childhood and Elementary

The PRC will render a decision on this program at a future meeting.

IV. Initial Continuing Reports

- A. Newberry College
 - i. Bachelor of Science, Early Childhood Education
 - ii. Bachelor of Science, Elementary education
 - iii. Bachelor of Science, Mathematics Education

The PRC will render decisions on these program reports at the October meeting.

V. Response to Condition Reports

- A. Coastal Carolina University
 - i. MAT, Social Studies
- B. Morris College
 - i. Bachelor of Science, Elementary Education
 - ii. Bachelor of Arts, English Education
 - iii. Bachelor of Science, Mathematics Education
 - iv. Bachelor of Science, Social Studies Education
- C. North Greenville University
 - i. Early Childhood Education (certification only)
 - ii. Elementary Education (certification only)

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VI. New Business

CHE will be contacting EPPs regarding the awarding of Centers of Excellence Grants for the 2024-2025 year.

VII. Good of the Order

Kelly Harrison made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jennifer Wise seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:34 am.