

MINUTES  
COMMISSION ON PROPRIETARY SCHOOL AND COLLEGE REGISTRATION  
August 16, 2018

The Commission on Proprietary School and College Registration (CPSCR) met on Thursday, August 16, 2018 at 1:00 p.m., Mississippi Community College Board, 3825 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, Mississippi.

Members Present: Mr. Donald Benjamin, Ms. Esther Cash, Dr. Dean Belton, Dr. George Terry and Mr. Otis Stanford

Staff Attending: Ms. Kim Verneuille, Audra Love Kimble & Liz Bolin

Visitors Present: Dr. Marvin Hogan – Friends of Children of MS and Debbie Moore – Antonelli Jackson

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Donald Benjamin at 1:00 p.m.

II. PRELIMINARIES

A. The invocation was given by Dr. Dean Belton.

B. Acknowledgments / Introductions

All visitors present gave their names and the schools that they represent.

C. Nominations/Vote for FY2019 Commission Chair

Mr. Benjamin asked for nominations for someone to serve as the Chairperson for CPSCR for FY2019. Mr. Otis Stanford nominated Mr. Donald Benjamin to continue serving as the chair.

On a motion by Dr. George Terry to accept nomination of Mr. Donald Benjamin to serve as the FY2019 Chairperson for CPSCR and second the motion by Dr. Dean Belton, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Mr. Benjamin as the Chairperosn for FY2019.

D. Adjustments / Approval of Agenda

On a motion by Ms. Esther Cash to accept the agenda and second the motion by Dr. George Terry, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the agenda.

E. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Donald Benjamin asked if there were any adjustments that needed to be made to the minutes. On a motion made by Dr. Dean Belton, and a second by Ms. Esther Cash the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2018 meeting.

### III. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Since the last meeting, we have received four (4) request(s) for application packets.
  - Rashenda Washington – Terry, MS – CNA
  - Grekumbia Williams – Leland, MS Allied Health
  - Latasha Green – Yazoo City, MS – Phlebotomy
  - Hawa Kamanda – Ruleville, MS – Phlebotomy
    - Presently requesting to do PD with stipulation only students are allied health professionals until her application is approved.
- Antonelli College/Jackson is requesting extension on renewal application until the October meeting. School is going through reaccreditation this year and ran out of time to all paperwork submitted for August.
- Concorde Career College (TN & MS) requesting approval on tuition increase.
  - Notified CPSCR of a change in the executive leadership – Jami Frazier new President and COO for Concorde Career Colleges.
- Delta Technical College notified CPSCR of campus president for the Horn Lake campus – Tom Pullin has taken over from Ralph Fitzgerald who was promoted to Regional Campus President of the MS schools. Mr. Fitzgerald will divide his time between the two campuses.
- Tulsa Welding School in Florida has a new campus director – Hamid Shibly
- Program Changes –
  - Accelerated Dental Assisting has notified CPSCR of a miscalculation in their clock hours for their dental assisting program.
    - The hours should read 92 instead of 80. No changes to timeframe or tuition.
  - Universal Technical Institute in Florida is asking to approval of a credential change to five programs.
    - With recent changes to their curriculum, these program credentials are now eligible to be recognized as an associate of occupational science degree and not just a diploma certificate.
      - Programs are:
        - Automotive Technology II
        - Automotive Technology II (w/ Nissan NATT emphasis)
        - Automotive Technology II (w/ For FACT emphasis)
        - Automotive & Diesel Technology II
        - Automotive & Diesel Technology II (w/ Ford FACT emphasis)
- ACICS has notified CPSCR they have vacated the Show Cause for the Jackson Campus of Virginia College with the corrections made to the campuses overall

placement outcomes. The campus overall placement is at 62%. This number is still below the required 70% and will just be on reporting requirement.

- In June 2017, Virginia College submitted programs changes for the Network & System Administration AS degree and Network Support technician diploma programs. These changes were never instituted on either MS campus. The school has chosen not to implement these changes. The programs will remain unchanged from their current curriculum.
- Zenith Education Group that owned the three WyoTech campuses have completed their teach out of all students and notified CPSCR of the location of transcripts for students when needed.
  - Sent an email to the corporate office on completing their paperwork to officially close out the schools with CPSCR.
- We have one school under investigation by the Veterans Administration. Once the OIG completes their investigation, I will report back to the Commission if there is anything we need to look into.
- Dream Center Education Holdings purchased the Art Institutes, South University & Argosy University campuses from Education Management Corporation last year.
  - In July, the Dream Center announced the closure to new enrollments of eighteen Art Institute campuses, nine Argosy University campuses and three South University campuses.
  - Classes continue for currently enrolled students, only new recruiting and enrollments have been suspended.
  - Currently, three Art Institute campuses are still accepting new students: the Houston & Austin TX campuses and the online campus based in Pittsburgh.
  - Earlier this year, several Art Institutes lost accreditation and or were placed on probation for “non-compliance issues” that raised questions on the institutions sustainability.
  - Not sure how many (if any) MS residents are enrolled. Have had a phone conversation with other state regulators, accreditors and US Dept. of Ed. As more develops, I will keep the Commission informed.
- US Department of Education
  - On July 31, 2018, Secretary DeVos made an announcement on of negotiated rulemaking to affect big changes that will impact all schools on institutional accountability (i.e. borrower defense).
  - ACICS is set to have a final ruling from the US DOE on the status of the recognition of the accreditor by the end of September 2018.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Otis Stanford and a second by Dr. George Terry, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Director’s Report.

#### IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

## V. REPORTS

### A. School List

- 48 registered schools total
  - 45 Traditional campuses
  - 3 online schools

### B. Financial Report

- Ms. Kim Verneuille reviewed the reports.

## VI. DOCKET ACTION

### A. Registrations:

Upon a motion made by Dr. Dean Belton and a second by Ms. Esther Cash, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the renewal certification:

- Institute of Health & Technology – Jackson & Hattiesburg
- Taylor Dental Assisting School – Pascagoula, MS
- Universal Technical Institute – Orlando, FL

Upon a motion made by Mr. Otis Stanford and a second by Ms. Esther Cash, the Commission voted unanimously to approve to postpone renewal certification until October 2018 meeting:

- Antonelli College – Jackson & Hattiesburg
- National College of Business & Technology – Memphis, TN

Staff Recommendation: Approval

### B. Agent Permit Application

Upon the Staff's recommendation, a motion made by Dr. George Terry to approve and a second by Dr. Dean Belton, the Commission voted unanimously to issue agent permits for the following:

- Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy/All Campuses – John Carrigan
- Concorde Career College/Memphis – Derick Fulson, Nerissa Grandberry, & Katie Patterson
- Concorde Career College/MS – Allison Hollis
- Delta Technical College/Horn Lake – Merry Hawthorne
- Delta Technical College/Ridgeland – Jordan Taylor Gildon
- Truck Driver Institute/Gulfport – Allen Harrell

Staff Recommendation: Approval

Upon the Staff's recommendation, a motion made by Ms. Esther Cash and a second by Mr. Otis Stanford, the Commission voted unanimously to renew agent permits for the following:

- ACE Training Center – Carl Ferguson (C-2023) & Doris Ferguson (C-2179)
- Concorde Career College/MS – Shequetta Sayli-Linzy (C-3156)
- Concorde Career College/TN – April Hudson (C-3149) & Sybil Hawkins (C-3249)
- Crescent School of Gaming & Bartending/Robinsonville – Heather Wheeler (C-3326)

- Delta Technical College/Horn Lake - Samantha Moore-Elred (C-2759) & Eric Johnson (C-3066)
  - Healing Touch Allied Health Institute/Biloxi – Andrienne Mikell (C-3316)
  - Lincoln College of Technology/TN – Cynthia Whitley (C-2431)
  - MS Truck Driving School/Hickory Flat – Sonny Meeks (C-3271) & Tracy Garrison (C-3272)
  - Taylor Dental Assisting School/Pascagoula Austin Taylor (C-2408) & Ariel Taylor (C-2409)
  - Truck Driver Institute/Tupelo – Kristi Bell (C-2639)
  - Universal Technical Institute/FL & TX – Scott Gallup (C-3266)
  - Jackson Medical Mall Foundation/Jackson – Lori Greer (C-3152)
  - Antonelli College/Jackson – Terri Griffin (C-2861)
- Staff Recommendation: Approval

C. New Program of Studies  
None

D. Program Modifications

Upon the Staff's recommendation, a motion made by Dr. George Terry and a second by Ms. Esther Cash the Commission voted unanimously to approve program modifications for the following:

- Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy – Dental Assisting Program
  - Miscalculation of clock hours – increase from 80 to 92.
  - Still 10 weeks program and no tuition increase
- Universal Technical Institute/FL – Credential Change
  - Five program changing from diploma to AOS degree
  - No changes in curriculum or tuition

Staff Recommendation: Approval

E. Exemptions

Upon the Staff's recommendation, a motion made by Dr. Dan Belton and a second by Mr. Otis Stanford, the Commission voted unanimously to approve an exemption for the following:

- National Technology Transfer, Inc. – Centennial, CO
  - Tuition Free for employers
- Air Venture Flight Center – Olive Branch, MS
  - Oversight by the FAA
- CDL Indian Health Insurance Group – Philadelphia, MS
  - Continuing education through correspondence course for Social Security Administration Employees
- Forest General Hospital – Hattiesburg, MS
  - Tuition Free CNA training for employees
- Spartan College of Aeronautics & Technology – Tulsa, OK
  - Federal oversight by the FAA

Staff Recommendation: Approval

F. Instructor Approval

Upon the staff's recommendation, a motion made by Mr. Otis Stanford and a second by Ms. Esther Cash, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Instructors as listed for the following schools:

- Concorde Career College – Southaven, MS
  - Adriana Palacios Medical
  - Lynda Thrash Dental Assisting
  - Sheyla Brooks Medical
  - Sharonda Dantzson Medical
  - LaCheryl Taylor Medical Office & Billing
  - Calandra Ayers Medical Office & Billing
  - Brittany Jones Dental Assisting
- Delta Technical College/Horn Lake
  - Emanuel Suddoth CDL
  - William Hale CDL
  - Delta Technical College/Ridgeland
  - Eric Meyers HVAC
  - John Kahl HVAC
  - Walter Smith Jr. Welding
  - Brandy Saxton Dental Assisting
  - Anthony Magee HVAC
  - Melissa Shaw Medical
  - William Armstrong CDL
  - Ron Mallett Medical
  - Theodore Cross CDL
- Lincoln College of Technology/TN
  - Robert Krencik Automotive
  - Louis Pickvet Automotive/Electrical
  - John Yanusz Automotive
- Truck Driver Institute/Gulfport
  - Teri Coats CDL
- Universal Technical Institute/FL
  - Louis Caballero Automotive

Staff Recommendation: Approval

G. Other

On a motion made by Dr. Dean Belton and a second by Ms. Esther Cash, the Commission voted unanimously to approve a change in the date of the December 21, 2018 Commission meeting to December 13, 2018 due to holiday schedules to assure a quorum.

VII. COMPLAINTS  
None

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion made by Mr. Otis Stanford and a second by Ms. Esther Cash, the Commission voted unanimously to approve adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 1:42 p.m.



Ms. Audra Love Kimble  
Associate Executive Director  
Commission on Proprietary School  
& College Registration



Mr. Donald Benjamin, Chairman of  
the Commission on Proprietary  
& College Registration