

PROFESSIONAL TEACHERS PRACTICES AND STANDARDS COMMISSION  
TELEPHONIC

January 14, 2021 @ 4:15 p.m. Central Time

Location: MacKay Building, First Floor, Conference Room 3  
800 Governors Drive, Pierre, South Dakota

Present Valena Baker  
via phone David Christian  
Crystal McMachen  
Paula McMahan  
Ann Noyes  
Joy Robbins  
Kaye Wickard

Others Paul Bachand-Commission Counsel  
Present: Ferne Haddock-Executive Secretary

### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Chairman McMahan called the meeting to order at approximately 4:15 p.m. CT.

Roll call. A quorum was present.

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion by Christian second by Noyes to approve the January 14, 2021, agenda. Roll Call vote, all present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Baker, Christian, McMachen, McMahan, Noyes, Robbins, and Wickard.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Wickard second by Robbins to approve the December 8, 2020, minutes as corrected Roll Call vote, all present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Baker, Christian, McMachen, McMahan, Noyes, Robbins, and Wickard.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS: 2021**

#### **Chairman**

Robbins nominated Paula McMahan for Chairman.

Motion by Christian second by Robbins that nominations cease, and a unanimous ballot be cast for Paula McMahan for Chairman. Roll Call vote, all present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Baker, Christian, McMachen, McMahan, Noyes, Robbins, and Wickard.

## **Vice Chairman**

Wickard nominated Crystal McMachen for Vice Chairman.

Motion by Robbins second by Noyes that nominations cease, and a unanimous ballot be cast for Crystal McMachen for Vice-Chairman. Roll Call vote, all present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Baker, Christian, McMachen, McMahan, Noyes, Robbins, and Wickard.

## **APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

Motion by McMachen second by Wickard to appoint Ferne Haddock executive secretary. Roll Call vote, all present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Baker, Christian, McMachen, McMahan, Noyes, Robbins, and Wickard.

## **DESIGNATION OF COMMISSION COUNSEL**

Motion by Christian second by Noyes to designate Paul Bachand as Commission Counsel. Roll Call vote, all present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Baker, Christian, McMachen, McMahan, Noyes, Robbins, and Wickard.

## **2020 ANNUAL REPORT**

Motion by Christian second by Wickard to approve the 2020 PTPSC Annual Report and authorize Commission Chairman to sign and submit the report to the South Dakota Secretary of Education. Roll Call vote, all present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Baker, Christian, McMachen, McMahan, Noyes, Robbins, and Wickard.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT SDCL 1-25-1**

There was no public comment.

## **New Business**

### **PTPSC 2020-12**

### **PTPSC 2020-13**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION SDCL 1-25-2(3)6**

Motion by McMachen second by Christian to go into executive session to discuss legal issues with Commission Counsel. Roll Call vote, all present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Baker, Christian, McMachen, McMahan, Noyes, Robbins, and Wickard.

Commission went into executive session at approximately 4:33 p.m. CT.

Chairman McMahan brought the Commission out of executive session at approximately 4:52 p.m. CT.

#### PTPSC 2020-12

Motion by McMachen second by Christian that the complaint filed in PTPSC 2020-12 be moved to a hearing. Roll Call vote, all present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Baker, Christian, McMachen, McMahan, Noyes, Robbins, and Wickard.

#### PTPSC 2020-13

Motion by Christian second by Baker that the complaint filed in PTPSC 2020-13 be moved to a hearing. Roll Call vote, all present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Baker, Christian, McMachen, McMahan, Noyes, Robbins, and Wickard.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Robbins second by Wickard to adjourn. Roll Call vote, all present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Baker, Christian, McMachen, McMahan, Noyes, Robbins, and Wickard.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:57 p.m. CT.

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Ferne G. Haddock  
Executive Secretary PTPSC

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