



**Minutes from the MACTE Meeting  
Summer Planning  
June 22, 2016  
IHL Technology Room**

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Blackburn.

**Members and others in attendance:** Debbie Burson, Millsaps; Ann Blackwell, Anne Sylvest, Mary Ariail USM; Cassandra Conner, June Hornsby, Tammie Brown William Carey; Jennifer Young-Wallace, JSU; Tom Brady, DSU; Marty Hatton and Monica Riley, MUW; David Hand, Lydia McCardle, LeAnn Carter Belhaven; Kalanya Moore, Chukwuma Ahanonu MSVU; Don Locke, Cindy Melton, Rachel Peebles Mississippi College; Richard Blackburn, Terry Jayroe, Donna Shea, MSU; Wonso Hayes, James Herod Rust College; David Rock, UM; Jenetta Waddell, Blue Mt.; Susan Lee, IHL representative.

Minutes from the last meeting were approved. The motion for approval was made by Dr. Rock; a second was made by Dr. Hand.

Treasurer's report was provided by Dr. Burson

Dr. Blackburn welcomed the group. Dr. Rock, President-elect for 2016-2017, presided over the meeting.

Dr. Rock began by sharing information regarding the Governor's Task Force which was established as a result of the BRI research on the efficacy of Literacy I and II. The task force is divided into working groups focusing on: Principles and Practices; Credentialing; and Program Review and Licensure. The task force is charged with making recommendations to the Governor before the end of September.

Discussion followed regarding the concept of credentialing university faculty. Dr. Lee stated that IHL does not get into the business of credentialing at individual institutions. All concerns regarding the credentialing of faculty for Literacy I and II should be submitted to Dr. Lee.

Discussion followed regarding personnel changes at MDE. Dr. Paula Vanderford has been assigned to Licensure. Questions regarding PPR were addressed. MDE has been using the guidelines from 2006; however they now have found that PPR 2012 was approved.

It was noted that the Licensure Commission is reinstating the 3 year Alternate Route licensing approval. Concerns and discussion followed.

Dr. Lee stated that she would be meeting with Dr. Paula Vanderford next week. Concerns were brought up about the lack of communication from MDE; concerns should be sent to Dr. Lee.

The topic of teacher shortage was brought forward. Dr. Rock stated that 50% or more of MS trained teachers leave the state once licensed. MDE needs to look at new models and incentives to keep teachers in the state.

Dr. Rock shared information from surveys on first year teacher satisfaction. Surveys were completed by teachers and principals. The response rate was around 15-18%. Nine of the 15 IHLs submitted email addresses for completers and principals. He then shared live data results and requested input for how data should be disseminated.

Dr. Boyce addressed the group. He expressed his concern regarding the shortage of teachers and the impact that will come from legislators once data are released. He called for MACTE to be a bigger political voice. He would like to invite IHL and K-12 representatives together for a working session to deal with some of the challenges.

Discussion followed regarding the Fall Retreat. There was positive reaction to have it again in Jackson. Suggestion was given to involve superintendents. The retreat should provide the opportunity to address the legislative agenda.

Dr. Rock discussed the need for collaborative field placements. He opened a conversation to discuss the pros of collaborations among institutions for student teaching placements. We should be less territorial regarding field placements; field experiences across the state would benefit all institutions and candidates. Collaboration is a must for accreditation. For accreditation purposes, there is great benefit for common assessments and procedures.

Dr. Rock demonstrated UM's Teach Live, a simulated classroom where candidates can interact virtually with K-12 students. All interested institutions should contact Dr. Rock to schedule a time to visit UM and experience Teach Live.

Conversation followed regarding common assessments and MOUs. Dr. Riley suggested a common MOU with school districts to be used by all IHLs.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debra B. Burson  
MACTE Secretary