



# ALABAMA COMMISSION ON THE EVALUATION OF SERVICES

## Meeting Minutes

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### Date and Location

The Alabama Commission on the Evaluation of Services met on February 16, 2022, at 4:29 p.m. in the Room 825 of the Alabama State House, 11 S. Union Street, Montgomery, AL.

### Attendance

Member	Present	Teleconference	Absent
Chairman Orr	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice-Chair Filmore	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Albritton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Carlton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Coleman-Madison	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Green	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Sawyer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Scott	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Story	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner White	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Whitt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Wingo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Poole, <i>ex officio</i> (Finance Director)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Commissioner Fulford, <i>ex officio</i> (LSA Fiscal Division Deputy Director)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

A lawful quorum of voting members is present to conduct business.



### **Notice of Meeting:**

Sufficient notice of the meeting was posted on January 31, 2022, to the Secretary of State's Open Meeting Act Posting Board.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting on November 2, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Albritton to adopt the minutes as written. Commissioner Wingo seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.

### **Reports and Presentation:**

Assistant Director, Patrick Dean provided the following updates:

- ACES Correctional Education Evaluation – ACCS consolidated correctional education under J.F. Ingram State Technical College. ACES will be working with President Funderburk on developing future performance metrics.
- Medical Professional Scholarships and Loans Evaluation – drafted legislation that encapsulates the Commission's sub-committee work to strengthen the Medical Professional Loan programs. Legislation for both the Dental and Optometry programs would be shared for the members to seek sponsorship in the 2022 legislative session. In addition to the legislation, the boards have agreed to spend down funds accumulated from collections.
- First interim report on the Alabama Teacher Workforce Evaluation – presented recommendation to increase the AMSTEP award by \$10k over four years. Research and evidence indicated that increasing the award has a positive impact on the recruitment and retention of teachers. Additionally, more marketing of the program is necessary

Chairman Orr called on Dr. Purcell of the Alabama Commission on Higher Education. Dr. Purcell provided commentary on the report and agreed with the recommendations from the evaluation. He also said, no additional funding was needed to increase the award amount and minimal, if any, additional funding was needed to better market the program. Chairman Orr requested ACES staff draft legislation for the necessary AMSTEP program.

Other aspects of the interim report were discussed, speaking specifically to the declining student to teacher ratio since 2016, declining student enrollment, national trends in teacher hiring and separations. Additional analysis is being performed related to teacher turnover.

Director Morgan made announcements relating to the new ACES team member, the current work plan and the next evaluation on that plan, and the need to develop the 2023 work plan.

### **Old Business:**

None

### **New Business:**

Director Morgan presented a resolution that describes the responsibilities of Commission members and the Director as it relates to meetings, annual budget, annual work plan, and contracts.



Vice-Chair Filmore stated the intention of the resolution was to clarify roles and functions for the benefit of the members.

Chairman Orr discussed the details of the resolutions and asked for a motion to approve the resolution as revised. Commissioner Sawyer made a motion to approve with a second from Commissioner Wingo.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, at 5:02 p.m. Chairman Orr moved that the meeting be adjourned.