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September 26, 2005

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Approval of Appointments of Members to the State Board of Education  
Professional Standards Commission for Teachers

The Office of Professional Preparation Services (OPPS) submitted nominations to fill 6 vacancies on the Professional Standards Commission for Teachers (PSCT) at the September 13, 2005 State Board of Education (SBE) meeting, but nominations to fill four other vacancies were not received in time to be presented for appointment at that time. There was discussion by SBE members regarding the policies and procedures for nominating and reappointing PSCT members. Currently, PSCT members can serve a maximum of two four-year terms. The SBE expressed concern about the current need for change that will impact the future of education in Michigan. MDE Staff will review the PSCT policies and procedures for possible revisions to the composition and length of terms of its members for presentation to the Board at a future meeting.

The individuals listed below have been nominated by the Deans Council, the Michigan Federation of Teachers & School Related Personnel (MFTSRP), and the Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools (MANS) for appointment or reappointment to PSCT. Biographical resumes are provided (Attachment 1). The purpose (Attachment 2) and current membership (Attachment 3) of this Advisory Group are also provided.

**Professional Standards Commission for Teachers Nominees**

Larry J. Corbett, nominated by the Deans Council, is recommended in the category of Higher Education, for a four-year term ending June 30, 2009 (new member).

Kevin Harris, nominated by the MFTSRP, is recommended in the category of Teacher/Teacher Association, for a four-year term ending June 30, 2009 (new member).

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Lois Lofton-Doniver, nominated by the MFTSRP, is recommended in the category of Teacher/Teacher Association with content experience in Special Education, for a four-year term ending June 30, 2009, as a reappointment to her present term which expired June 30, 2005.

Barbara Stork, nominated by the MANS, is recommended in the category of Teacher/Teacher Association from a Non-Public school, with content experience in Special Education, for a four-year term ending June 30, 2009, as a reappointment to her present term which expired June 30, 2005.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education approve the appointment of Larry J. Corbett and Kevin Harris, and the reappointments of Lois Lofton-Doniver and Barbara Stork to the Professional Standards Commission for Teachers for a four-year term ending June 30, 2009, as discussed in the Superintendent's memorandum dated September 26, 2005.

## Larry J. Corbett

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## EDUCATION

**Doctor of Education**, Educational Leadership, Western Michigan University, June 1993  
Dissertation: Family Birth Order and Leadership Behavior of Public School Principals in Michigan.

**Master of Science**, Educational Leadership, Western Michigan University, June 1988.

**Bachelor of Science**, Grand Valley State University, June 1973, Secondary Education,  
Endorsements: Earth Science, Physics, Biology

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

**Assistant Director of Professional Education**, (2003-current) supervision of the admission process for the Teacher Education Program, development and coordination of the central database used by the Teacher Education and Professional Development Department and the Center for Student Services, and supervision of the Alternate Route to Certification program.

### **University Instructor**

- EAD 660, Principles of Educational Administration, Fall 2004, Atlanta, GA
- BIO 229, Nature Study, Summer 2004, Traverse City, MI
- EAD 750, Professional Studies, Spring 2002, Mason, MI
- EAD 750, Professional Studies, Spring 2001, Mason, MI
- ED 200, Introduction to Teaching, Spring 1993, Grand Valley State University

**Superintendent of Schools**, (1996-2003) Mason Public Schools, Mason, MI, CEO of preK-12 public school district with 3450 students, 200 instructors, 250 support staff and 19 administrators, initiated technology integrated curricula, implemented low-class size program at K-2 levels, standardized the interview process to hire instructors and administrators within the district, and supervised the financial, instructional and operational functions of the district.

**High School Principal, (1992-1996)** East Kentwood High School, Kentwood, MI, instructional leader of largest high school in western Michigan (2200 students), evaluated instructional programs, supervised and evaluated 125 instructors, developed a conflict resolution program for high schools students, evaluated MEAP scores and developed improvement plans, and implemented a multi-cultural curriculum. 9-12.

**Assistant High School Principal, (1990-1992)** East Kentwood High School, Kentwood, MI, supervised the curriculum process for the Science, Mathematics and Technology departments, supervised the high school MEAP program, and organized the high school senior activities.

**Curriculum Director for Science, Health and Mathematics, K-12, (1988-1990)** Kentwood Public Schools, Kentwood, MI, planned, wrote and initiated professional development programs in elementary Science, Health and Mathematics for the improvement of teaching, and trained instructors at the county and state level to teach the Michigan Health Model.

**High School Science Instructor, (1973-1988)** East Kentwood High School, Kentwood, MI, developed hands-on techniques to instruct high schools students, established a team-taught special education science course, initiated a summer science experience to the Upper Peninsula for 12 emotionally disturbed high school students, and developed a geology course for gifted students through Grand Valley State University.

## **RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES**

### **Instruction/Curriculum**

- Supervised the implementation of Science, Mathematics and Health Programs, K-12
- Implemented a multi-cultural curriculum, 9-12
- Supervised the implementation of school improvement plans and North Central Accreditation
- Evaluated MEAP results and developed improvement plans
- Supervised the implementation of the Michigan Health Model, K-5

### **Human Resources**

- Standardized hiring practice and evaluation process for K-12 school district
- Served as lead negotiator for K-12 school district
- Dealt with death of four students as Superintendent; five students as Principal
- Processed four Office of Civil Rights complaints

## **RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES CONTINUED**

### **Technology**

Supervised the development of a comprehensive district-wide five year technology plan  
Established Future Kids Technology Professional Development program in Mason Public Schools  
Completed nine graduate credits to obtain Educational Technology Certification from Michigan State University  
Worked with Technology Specialist to develop long range hardware replacement plan for Mason Public Schools

## **CERTIFICATIONS/LICENSURE**

**Superintendent**  
**Chief Business Official**  
**High School/Middle School Principal**  
**Teacher: Earth Science, Physics, Biology, Reproductive Health**  
**Michigan Health Model Trainer**  
**Educational Technology**  
**Conflict Management, Trainer of Trainers**  
**Total Quality Management**  
**Microsoft Access Database Certified**

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

**Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development**  
**Michigan Association of School Administrators**  
**National Year-Round Schools Association**  
**Coalition for Excellence in Science and Mathematics**  
**Phi Delta Kappa**

## **PRESENTATIONS**

**Hiring Process in K-12 Education, Educational Programs, Michigan State University, May, 2000**  
**Student Teaching Seminar, Grand Valley State University, January, 1995**  
**Facilities Planning in Douglas County Schools, Colorado, Doctoral Paper, Western Michigan University, April, 1992**  
**Team Teaching Special Education Science, Michigan Association for Emotionally Disturbed Children State Convention, Traverse City, MI, May, 1989**  
**Curriculum Innovations in Special Education, National Science Teachers Association, Cincinnati, OH, May, 1988**

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

DARTEP, Vice-chair  
Youth in Education Society, Board of Directors  
Committee to develop mega-conference for athletics and student activities in  
Lansing area, Chair  
Executive Council of High School Principals, President  
North Central Accreditation-East Lansing High School, Chair  
Ingham Intermediate School District Special Education Finance Committee, Chair

## HONORS AND AWARDS

Science Teacher-of-the-Year finalist, Detroit Free Press and Michigan Science  
Teachers Association  
Presidential Award in Science and Mathematics finalist  
Honored by City of Kentwood and Mayor Bill Hardiman with declaration of  
"Larry J. Corbett Day"

## QUALIFICATION SUMMARY

**Dr. Corbett's strengths for the position of Director of Student Teaching:**

Strong background in teaching, supervision of staff, and program evaluation  
Excellent communication skills, including both verbal and written  
Outstanding leadership skills which include the ability to organize, motivate  
others, and work collaboratively for a common goal  
Strong knowledge of technology and the ability to recognize technology uses  
to improve teaching and learning  
Excellent ability to build and maintain strong professional relationships with  
students, faculty, and administrators

## REFERENCES

Kathleen Jacobson, Director of Professional Education, Center for Student Services,  
College of Education and Human Services, Central Michigan University

Marcie Otteman, Associate Director of Transfer Admissions and Operations,  
Admissions, Central Michigan University

Walter Schneider, Associate Director of MSA Program, Central Michigan University

Marvin Oesterle, Treasurer, Mason Board of Education, Mason, MI. 517.676.2508 (H),  
517.676.1869 (O)

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## Biographical Resume

**Name:** Kevin Harris

**Address:** 21055 Parklane  
Grosse Ile. MI 48138

**Present Position:** President / Dearborn Federation of Teachers

**Business Address:** 4407 Roemer  
Dearborn, MI 48126

**Telephone:** (Home) 734-676-4604 (Work) 313-584-5311

**E-Mail Address:** [kharris@dft681.org](mailto:kharris@dft681.org)

**Nominating Organization:** Michigan Federation of Teachers&SRP

**Prior Experience:** Secondary Social Studies Teacher

**Educational and other Organizational Affiliations:** Gailileo Institute

The Institute is an organization that promotes teacher leadership and enhancement of public education.

**Education:** Wayne State University B.A. Economics  
Wayne State University M.A. Secondary Ed

**Miscellaneous:** Dearborn School District Curriculum Team

## **PHILOSOPHICAL STATEMENT**

Research has demonstrated that excellent teachers are the most important in-school factor contributing to student achievement. I believe that all teachers should be well prepared, highly qualified, and know their subject matter and how to teach it. These are the kind of teachers that every classroom in Michigan must have in order for all students to achieve their maximum academic ability.

The Michigan Department of Education should demand that teaching institutions have high standards and produce teacher candidates that are prepared to meet the challenges of rigor and pedagogy of educating our youth, to successfully compete in today's global society.

Kevin Harris

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Biographical Resume

Nomination For Professional Standards Commissions For Teachers

Name Lois Lofton Doniver

Address 16545 Shaftsbury, Detroit, MI 48219

Present Position Asst To The President (Educational Issues)

Business Address 2661 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI 48207

Telephone: Home 313-534-6962 Business 313-393-2200

Nominating Organization MI Federation of Teachers & School Related Personnel

Sex Female

Prior Experience Staff Professional Development Coordinator

Educational and Other Organizational Affiliations Phi Delta Kappa  
SBE CEU Coordinator  
The Economic Alliance for MI  
AFT Ed Issues Coordinator  
MI AFL-CIO Women's Comm.  
MI State Gender Team  
Southeast MI Community alliance  
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority

Education B.S. Special Education EMI  
M.A. Educational Sociology  
80 Hrs. Staff Professional Development

The Standards

I believe that states focus and direct a greatly amount of their energies on standards and assessments. But, it takes more than tests to create a system in which every child learns to high standards. A comprehensive, effective standards based system includes high standards, curricula aligned to the standards, assessments aligned to the standards, professional development for teachers, help for children struggling to meet the standards, and policies that make meeting the standards count.

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Biographical Resume

Nomination for Professional Standards Commission for Teachers  
Name of Advisory Committee

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Name of Subcommittee

1. Name Barbara Schimmel Stork
2. Address 885 Sunrise Park Drive  
Howell MI 48843  
City State
3. Present Position Asst. Director of Michigan Assoc. of Non-Public Schools  
Director of Michigan Non-Public Schools Accrediting Assoc.
4. Business Address 505 N. Capitol Ave., Lansing MI 48933
5. Telephone: Home 517/546-6592 Business 517/372-0003
6. Nominating Organization Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools
7. Race\* Caucasian Sex\* Female
8. Prior Experience Teacher – Grades 6-8; High School Guidance Counselor; High School Assistant Principal; Elementary School Principal. All experience has been with non-public schools.
9. Educational and Other Organizational Affiliations Secretary for National Federation of Nonpublic School State Accreditation Associations; ASCD; NCEA
10. Education B.A., M.A. plus numerous other courses over the years
11. Miscellaneous \_\_\_\_\_

**A PROPOSAL TO CREATE A PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS  
COMMISSION FOR TEACHERS**

The State Board of Education creates within the Department of Education, the Professional Standards Commission for Teachers.

As used in this proposal:

- (a) "Commission" means the Professional Standards Commission for Teachers.
- (b) "Teacher" means a person who engages in teaching and includes classroom teachers, school librarians and media specialists, counselors, prekindergarten or early childhood teachers, and teachers in special education, vocational education, and other specialized fields required by the State Board to hold a teaching certificate or endorsement. "Teacher" includes a person who engages in teaching on a substitute or temporary basis, but does not include a teacher aide or paraprofessional.

The commission consists of 15 members appointed by the State Board of Education. Ten commission members shall be teachers who have been teaching for not less than five years immediately preceding their appointment, including nine public school teachers and one nonpublic school teacher; at least one of the teachers shall be employed by an intermediate school district; two members shall represent the institutions of higher education which offer a State Board approved teacher preparation program; one member shall be a school administrator; one member shall represent the general public; and one member shall be serving on a board of education of a local school district. A commission member who does not continue to have the qualifications which entitled that member to his or her original State Board appointment will result in a vacancy of the member's commission office.

- A. The term of each member shall be for terms of four years; except those initially appointed by the State Board, three shall be for a one-year term; three for a two-year term; four for a three-year term; and five for a four-year term.
- B. A member shall not serve more than two terms.
- C. A person appointed to fill a vacancy, occurring other than by the expiration of a term, shall be appointed for the balance of the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment.
- D. A member shall serve until the member's successor is appointed by the State Board.
- E. The commission shall select a chairperson for its own members.

The Professional Standards Commission for Teachers is charged by the State Board of Education to:

- 1 Investigate and recommend standards of professional practice to improve the quality of the teaching profession.
- 2 Develop and recommend standards for the implementation of teacher internships, student teaching programs or other clinical teaching experiences for persons preparing to become teachers.
- 3 Review and recommend changes in policies related to the continuing education and recertification of teachers.
- 4 Review and recommend changes in policies related to the revocation of teaching certificates.

A member of the State Board of Education's Professional Standards Commission for Teachers shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official duties.

The commission shall submit its recommendations to the State Board of Education on matters related to its charge. The State Board of Education shall consider the commission's recommendations within a 90-day period. The State Board of Education in responding to recommendations of the commission, shall take one of the following actions:

1. Approve;
2. Disapprove; or
3. Disapprove with comment and refer back to commission for further study.

The commission shall publish and submit to the State Board of Education an annual report of the commission's work and additional information and recommendations the commission considers necessary.

Adopted by the State Board of Education  
April 5, 1988  
Revised October 17, 1991

## PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMISSION FOR TEACHERS (PSCT)

## APPOINTMENT LIST – September 14, 2004

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>INITIAL/ RE-APPOINTMENT</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRATION DATE</u>
<b>ADMINISTRATOR (1)</b>			
Dr. Thomas Langdon (MASA) Big Rapids Public Schools 21034 15 Mile Road Big Rapids, MI 49307	8/10/04*	4 years	6/30/06
<b>GENERAL PUBLIC (1)</b>			
Mr. Harrison Blackmond Blackmond Givens Group 407 East Fort Street, Suite 407 Detroit, MI 48226	9/12/02	4 years	6/30/06
<b>HIGHER EDUCATION (2)</b>			
Dr. David Hamilton (AICUM) School of Education Spring Arbor University Spring Arbor, MI 49283	8/10/04	4 years	6/30/08
Dr. Jo-Ann Snyder (Presidents Council) Wayne State University College of Education Room 221 Detroit, MI 48202	8/20/97 7/19/01	4 years	6/30/05
<b>ISD TEACHER (1)</b>			
Ms. Judy Brune (MEA) Ionia Intermediate School District 2190 Harwood Road Ionia, MI 48846	11/16/00 8/10/04	4 years	6/30/08
<b>LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD (1)</b>			
Mr. Russell Kirksey (MASB) 7581 Paradise Drive Grand Blanc, MI 48439	4/24/03* 8/10/04	4 years	6/30/08

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>INITIAL/ RE-APPOINTMENT</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRATION DATE</u>
<b>NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHER (1)</b>			
Ms. Barbara Stork (MANS) 510 South Capitol Lansing, MI 48933	7/19/01	4 years	6/30/05
<b>TEACHER/TEACHER ASSOCIATION (8)</b>			
Mr. David Ascher (MEA) 6804 Harvest Court South Lyon, MI 48178	8/10/04*	4 years	6/30/05
Ms. Vivian Davis (MEA) Albion High School 225 Watson Street Albion, MI 49224	7/19/01	4 years	6/30/05
Ms. Carole Turner (MEA) 58 Oakridge Drive Marquette, MI 49855	7/19/01	4 years	6/30/05
Ms. Rosa Johnson (MEA) 1206 East Preston Mt. Pleasant MI 48858	7/19/01	4 years	6/30/05
Ms. Lois Lofton-Doniver (MFTSRP) 2661 East Jefferson Detroit, MI 48207	7/19/01	4 years	6/30/05
Dr. Darryl M. Warner (MFTSRP) Dearborn Public Schools 18700 Audette Dearborn, MI 48124	9/14/04	4 years	6/30/08
Ms. Susan Pagen (MEA) New Buffalo Middle School 1112 East Clay Street New Buffalo, MI 49117	9/12/02	4 years	6/30/05
Ms. Nancy Shaw (MEA) Livonia Public Schools 32401 Pembroke Livonia, MI 48152	11/16/00 8/10/04	4 years	6/30/08

\*To fulfill a term