BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In the Matter of the License of Angela Eberhart

23-PPC-06 KSDE No. 23ED0011 ED OAH No.

FINAL ORDER

NOW, on this 10th day of October 2023, the above-captioned matter comes for consideration by the Kansas State Board of Education (Board). Appearing for the Board are Chairwoman, Melanie Haas, and members, Betty Arnold, Dennis Hershberger, Michelle Dombrosky, Cathy Hopkins, Deena Horst, Jim McNiece, Ann Mah, Jim Porter and Danny Zeck.

WHEREUPON the Professional Practices Commission (Commission) considered the matter on September 8, 2023. Angela Eberhart appeared not. The Kansas State Department of Education appeared through its attorney, R. Scott Gordon. After reviewing the evidence, the Commission voted 5 - 0, to recommend Angela Eberhart's voluntary surrender of her professional teaching license should be accepted and her professional teaching license be revoked.

WHEREUPON the Board reviewed the Commission's Initial Order and after considering the presentation by Jennifer Holt, Commission Chair, who was available to answer the Board's questions and being otherwise duly advised in the premises, the Board adopted the Commission's findings of fact and conclusions of law by a vote of 10 - 0.

All findings set forth in the Commission's Initial Order attached hereto are incorporated by reference and made a part of this Final Order as though fully set forth at length herein.

IT IS THEREFORE CONCLUDED by the Kansas State Board of Education that Angela Eberhart's professional teaching license is revoked.

This Final Order is made and entered this 10th day of October 2023.

Kansas State Board of Education

BY: Melanie Haas, Chairwoman

Signed October // , 2023

NOTICE TO LICENSEE/APPLICANT

This is a Final Order and is effective upon service.

To request reconsideration of this order, you must file a Petition for Reconsideration with the Secretary to the State Board of Education, at the address below, within 15 days after service of this Final Order. The Petition must state the specific grounds upon which relief is requested.

To request a stay of effectiveness of this order, you must file a Petition for Stay with the Secretary to the State Board of Education at the address below. A petition can be filed until the time which a petition for judicial review would no longer be timely.

To seek judicial review of a Final Order, you must file a petition in the District Court as authorized by K.S.A. 77-601, et seq. within 30 days following the service of the Final Order. Filing a Petition for Reconsideration is not a prerequisite for seeking judicial review. A copy of any Petition for Judicial Review must be served upon the Secretary to the State Board of Education at the address below.

Makayla Auldridge Secretary, Kansas State Board of Education Landon State Office Building 900 SW Jackson Ave. Suite 600N Topeka, Kansas 66612

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this _____ day of October 2023, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to:

Danielle R. Sanger Sanger Law Office 5040 Bob Billings Parkway, Ste. C-1 Lawrence, Kansas 66049

And via interoffice mail to:

R. Scott Gordon Kansas State Department of Education 900 SW Jackson Street, Ste. 102 Topeka, Kansas 66612

Makayla Auldridge, Secretary

Kansas State Board of Education

BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

In the Matter of the License of Angela Eberhart PPC No. 23-PPC-06 OAH No. 23ED0011 ED

INITIAL ORDER

The above-captioned case comes on for hearing before the Professional Practices

Commissioner ("Commission") of the Kansas State Board of Education ("State Board") upon the

Angela Eberhart's submission of a voluntary surrender of her teaching license for revocation.

The hearing on this matter was held on September 8, 2023. Appearing for the Commission were Acting Chairperson, Eric Filippi, and members, Carey Spaulding, Christy Ziegler, Leigh Anne Rogers and Ricardo Sanchez. The Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) appeared by and through its General Counsel, R. Scott Gordon. Licensee did not appear.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Licensee is currently licensed by the Kansas State Board of Education and has been so licensed since 2000.
- 2. On June 29, 2021, Licensee pled guilty to and was convicted in Johnson County District Court, Kansas of Felony driving under the influence of alcohol and misdemeanor endangering a child, Case No. 20CR1117.
- 3. KSDE filed a Complaint on February 10, 2023, seeking revocation Licensee's license as a result of her felony conviction. The Complaint was mailed to her last known address.
- 4. Licensee voluntary surrendered her teaching license for revocation as a consequence of her misconduct and having been found guilty of felony driving under the influence of alcohol and misdemeanor endangering a child.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. A member of the teaching or school administration profession may voluntarily surrender his license to the Commission. The Commission shall investigate the surrender and make a recommendation to the (State Board) for disposition of the license. K.A.R. 91-22-5a(e).
- 2. KSDE asked the Commission to recommend the State Board accept Licensee's surrender and revoke her license accordingly.

¹ The voluntary surrender is attached hereto

THEREFORE the Professional Practices Commission recommends to the State Board, by a vote of 5-0, that Licensee's voluntary surrender of her license should be accepted and her teaching license should be revoked immediately.

This Initial Order is made and entered this Sept 8, 2023.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

Eric Filippi, Acting Chairperson

NOTICE TO APPLICANT

This Order is not a Final Order and is required to be reviewed by the Kansas State Board of Education in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act. The State Board will review all issues. Notice of review with the specific date and time will be provided to the parties within 15 days of the review.

You may submit to the State Board for its consideration as part of its review of the Initial Order a written brief citing legal authority as to why the above recommendation should not be accepted. You must file the brief with the State Board Secretary at the address indicated below within ten calendar days after service of the Initial Order for transmittal to the State Board. You must also make any request for oral argument at that time.

Makayla Auldridge Secretary, Kansas State Board of Education 900 SW Jackson Street, Suite 600 Topeka, KS 66612

Response briefs are due within ten calendar days after service of the legal brief upon the opposing party. Any reply brief is due five calendar days after service of any response brief upon the opposing party. Any response or reply briefs must also be filed with the State Board Secretary at the address indicated above.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this ______ day of ______ true and correct copy of the above and foregoing was filed with the Secretary for the Kansas State Board of Education, one (1) copy was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested; and one (1) copy was mailed by first-class prepaid postage mail, to:

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Secretary, Professional Practices Commission