

**March 12, 2026 at 2:00 PM - State Board of Education
Special Meeting**

Present: Adrienne Woods, Chair; Lisa Hunter, Vice-Chair; Dr. Aaron Abbott; Gary Arnold; Ken Bragg; Randy Henderson; Jeanie Wilcoxon, 2025 Teacher of the Year; Jacob Oliva, ADE Secretary.

Absent: Leigh Keener; David Peacock; Jeff Wood

The Arkansas State Board of Education (State Board) met Friday, March 12, 2026. Adrienne Woods called the meeting to order at 2:01 PM.

Action Agenda

III.1. Reconsideration of the Existing APA Record in the Professional Licensure Standards Board Case 25-121 – Danny R. Marrs, Jr.

Item III.1. was presented by Daniel Shults, Chief Legal Council.

This Professional Licensure Standards Board (PLSB) matter was remanded for reconsideration of the existing record only pursuant to the order of the Circuit Court of Cleburne County issued on January 6, 2026.

A motion to find that the Danny Marrs, Jr., educator, violated Standards 1, 2, and 3 of the Arkansas Code of Ethics was made by Dr. Gary Arnold, seconded by Lisa Hunter. After roll call, the motion unanimously passed.

Roll Call – Violation of Code of Ethics Standards 1, 2, and 3

Dr. Aaron Abbott	Yes
Dr. Gary Arnold	Yes
Ken Bragg	Yes
Randy Henderson	Yes
Lisa Hunter	Yes

A motion to uphold the recommended sanction of the suspension of educator license for one year, followed by a two-year probation, recommended coursework and trainings, written reflections, quarterly reports, and all associated costs was made by Lisa Hunter, seconded by Randy Henderson. After roll call, the motion passed 4 Yes, 1 No (Ken Bragg).

Roll Call – Sanction

Dr. Aaron Abbott	Yes
Dr. Gary Arnold	Yes
Ken Bragg	No
Randy Henderson	Yes
Lisa Hunter	Yes

A motion to accept the previously stated rationale was made by Lisa Hunter, seconded by Dr. Aaron Abbott. After roll call, the motion unanimously passed.

Roll Call – Rationale

Dr. Aaron Abbott	Yes
Dr. Gary Arnold	Yes
Ken Bragg	Yes
Randy Henderson	Yes
Lisa Hunter	Yes

Adrienne Woods, Chair adjourned the State Board meeting at 2:12 PM.

Minutes recorded by Angela Scaife.

Jacob Oliva, Secretary
Arkansas Department of Education

Adrienne Woods, Chair
State Board of Education