

BEFORE THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
December 8, 2016

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER
IN RE MARY JILL DAVIS, PLSB CASE NO. 15-048

At its meeting today, the Arkansas State Board of Education (Board) accepted the recommendation of the Department of Education for disciplinary action against the teaching license of Mary Jill Davis. In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, Ark. Code Ann. 25-15-101 et seq., the Board hereby states as follows:

I. Findings of Fact:

- a. Mary Jill Davis holds a standard five-year teaching license.
- b. On June 11, 2015, the State Board of Education ordered the probation of Mary Jill Davis's license for one (1) year and payment of a \$75 fine to the Professional Licensure Standards Board in PLSB Case No. 15-048.
- c. Although notified that her fine is past due, Ms. Davis has not paid the fine.
- d. The PLSB made repeated attempts to notify Ms. Davis of her right to a hearing via certified and regular mail at the last known address provided to the Department of Education. However, she did not respond or appear.
- e. The Department recommends that the State Board suspend Ms. Davis's license until such time as her fine is paid.

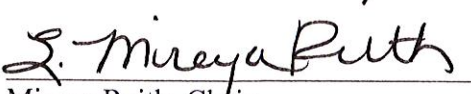
II. Conclusions of Law:

- a. The State Board has legal authority over the licenses it issues under Ark. Code Ann. §§ 6-11-105, 6-17-401, 6-17-422, and 25-15-201 et seq. Specifically, the Board, upon imposition of a sanction, may order a license suspended until person has

complied in full with all applicable sanctions imposed. Ark. Code Ann. § 25-15-217(d).

- b. Accordingly, effective on December 8, 2016, the Board suspends Mary Jill Davis's license until such time as she has complied with the Board's orders.
- c. If Ms. Davis has not paid the fine within six (6) months from the date of this order, the Department shall not reinstate the license without a further order of the Board.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


Mireya Reith, Chair
Arkansas State Board of Education