

THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

IN RE THE MATTER OF
COREY MACLAINE STANLEY
JANUARY 12, 2023

PLSB CASE NO. 23-004

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER

At its regular meeting on January 12, 2023, the Arkansas State Board of Education (“Board”) accepted the recommendation of the Professional Licensure Standards Board Ethics Subcommittee (“Ethics Subcommittee”) for disciplinary action against the teaching license of Corey Maclaine Stanley (“Educator Stanley”). Based upon Educator Stanley’s acceptance of the Ethics Subcommittee’s recommendation and the evidence presented, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, Ark. Code Ann. 25-15-101 et seq., the Board hereby states as follows:

I. Findings of Fact

- a. The Arkansas Department of Education issued Educator Stanley a standard five-year teaching license on June 7, 2018, valid until December 31, 2022.
- b. The Ethics Subcommittee received an allegation that Educator Stanley violated the Arkansas Department of Education Rules Governing the Code of Ethics for Arkansas Educators promulgated pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § § 6-17-422 and 6-17-428.
- c. On July 8, 2022, the Ethics Subcommittee authorized an investigation into allegations that Educator Stanley violated *Standard 1: an educator maintains a professional relationship with each student, both in and outside the classroom; Standard 2: an educator maintains competence regarding his or her professional practice, inclusive*

of professional and ethical behavior, skills, knowledge, dispositions, and responsibilities relating to his or her organizational position;

- d. Educator Stanley was notified on July 11, 2022, of the Ethics Subcommittee's authorization to investigate this allegation.
- e. After considering the investigator's report and evidence on December 2, 2022, the Ethics Subcommittee unanimously found that a preponderance of evidence existed to substantiate violation of Standards 1 and 2 in that Educator Stanley:
- Engaged in inappropriate interactions with a student.
 - Engaged in inappropriate communication with a student.
 - Exhibited inappropriate disposition inclusive of professional and ethical behavior.
 - Violated district, state or federal policies or law.
- f. The Ethics Subcommittee recommended that the State Board take the following actions:
1. Permanent revocation of license.
- g. On December 2, 2022, Educator Stanley was notified of the Ethics Subcommittee's initial determination and recommendation in a letter dated December 2, 2022, sent by secure server. The letter was delivered and downloaded on December 2, 2022. Educator Stanley rejected the recommendation of the Ethics Subcommittee on December 2, 2022 and requested an evidentiary hearing. On December 14, 2022, Educator Stanley withdrew his request for an evidentiary hearing thereby accepting the recommendation of the Ethics Subcommittee's recommendation, deeming it accepted and waiving his right to any further notice, hearing, or any other rights he may have under the Administrative Procedure Act, including those rights set forth in Ark. Code Ann. §§ 25-15-211 and 25-15-212.

h. At today's meeting, the Ethics Subcommittee's recommendation and supporting documentation were presented to the Board as part of its consent agenda.

II. Conclusions of Law

- a. Upon consideration of the evidence presented at the meeting, Ark. Code Ann. §§ 6-11-105, 6-17-401, 6-17-422, 6-17-428 and 25-15-201 et seq., and the Arkansas Department of Education Rules Governing the Code of Ethics for Arkansas Educators, the Board adopts the Ethics Subcommittee's recommendations, and enacts the sanctions accordingly. The Board admonishes Educator Stanley for his violation of the Code of Ethics.
- b. This order shall remain permanently in Educator Stanley's professional licensure file and the confidential files of the Professional Licensure Standards Board.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



Ouida Newton, Chair
Arkansas State Board of Education