

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ITEM:**June 2016**

CONSIDERATION TO DISCIPLINE THE
LICENSE TO TEACH OF MARY ANN MULLENIX, CASE # HR 16-006

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Section 168.071, RSMo

Consent
ItemAction
ItemReport
Item**DEPARTMENT GOAL NO. 3:**

Missouri will prepare, develop, and support effective educators.

SUMMARY:

Mo. Rev. Stat. §168.071 authorizes the State Board of Education to discipline certificates of license to teach, which includes the authority to resolve issues by consent agreement or agreed settlement or voluntary surrender of the certificate of license. 5 CSR 20-400.230 provides that the State Board of Education may accept a voluntary surrender or informally settle a case through a consent agreement or agreed settlement.

Mary Ann Mullenix holds a lifetime certificate of license to teach in the areas of English, grades 7–12 and Speech/Theatre, grades 7–12.

Ms. Mullenix pled guilty to the Felony, Involuntary Manslaughter – 2nd Degree in the Circuit Court of St. Louis County, Missouri. As part of the disposition of the criminal charges, Ms. Mullenix agreed to surrender her certificate of license to teach. Ms. Mullenix signed a statement of surrender waiving all procedural rights regarding revocation of her certificate of license to teach.

PRESENTER:

William R. Thornton, General Counsel, will participate in the presentation and discussion of this agenda item.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department recommends that the State Board of Education accept Ms. Mullenix's statement of surrender and revoke her teaching certificate in disposition of her criminal conviction.