

STATE BOARD MEETING DATE

October 28, 2013

SUBJECT: Consideration of Certificate Surrender of **Joshua G. Davis**, Case No. **C-2011-003**

SUBMITTED BY: Charles Easaw, Chief Investigator, Investigative Unit, State Board of Education

MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEW: October 10, 2013

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Joshua G. Davis held a Substitute certificate which expired on February 16, 2013.

On December 29, 2010, the Arizona Department of Public Safety notified the Investigative Unit of the State Board of Education (“Board”) that Mr. Davis’ fingerprint clearance card was suspended due to an arrest on charges of aggravated assault-impede breathing, criminal damage-deface, and assault-intent/reckless/injure. All three charges involved domestic violence.

During its investigation, the Investigative Unit reviewed Mr. Davis’ criminal records. His criminal records revealed that between September 2011 and May 2013, he was convicted of the following offenses: making a false statement (unemployment compensation), possession of drug paraphernalia (meth), failure to comply with court order (domestic violence), and criminal trespass.

On August 29, 2013, the Investigative Unit notified Mr. Davis of the intent of the Board to file a complaint seeking disciplinary action against his expired teaching certificate*. After discussing the matter with Mr. Davis, he chose to surrender his teaching certificate.

On September 11, 2013, the Investigative Unit received Mr. Davis’ affidavit in which he surrendered his teaching certificate.

**A.R.S. §15-203(B) (5) provides that the State Board of Education may impose disciplinary action after the suspension or expiration of a certificate.*

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED: [] INFORMATION [X] ACTION/DESCRIBED BELOW:

That the Board **accepts the voluntary surrender** of Joshua G. Davis’ teaching certificate and that all states and territories be so notified.

ATTACHMENTS: YES [X] NO []