ORDER

The Appellant has requested that this Board reconsider its March 26, 2019 decision in Huggins v. Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners, MSBE Op. No. 19-13, affirming the local board’s decision to uphold Appellant’s overall annual rating of “Developing” on her 2017-2018 end of year Teacher Effectiveness Evaluation. The local board has responded to the reconsideration request.

A decision on a request for reconsideration shall be made in the discretion of the State Board except that a decision may not be disturbed unless there is sufficient indication in the request that:

(1) The decision resulted from mistake or error of law; or
(2) New facts material to the issues have been discovered or have occurred subsequent to the decision.

The State Board may refuse to consider facts that the party could have produced while the appeal was pending. The State Board may, in its discretion, abrogate, change, or modify the original decision. COMAR 13A.01.05.10.

Appellant attached to her request for reconsideration an affidavit in which she attests to various facts that were at issue in the appeal. The affidavit does not contain any material facts that were discovered or occurred subsequent to the State Board’s decision. Nor has the Appellant demonstrated that the State Board’s decision resulted from a mistake or error of law. As stated above, the State Board’s decision on a request for reconsideration is discretionary. Because the Appellant has failed to provide an adequate basis for reconsideration of MSBE Op. No. 19-13, it is this 25th day of June, 2019,

ORDERED, by the Maryland State Board of Education, that the request for reconsideration is denied.

MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Signature on File:

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Justin M. Hartings
President