Mississippi Foreign Language Association Regional Workshop Northwest Mississippi Community College Senatobia Campus June 13, 2019

8:00-8:30 Registration and Welcome (June Turner, Northwest Mississippi Community College)

8:30-9:30 What is The Mississippi Seal of Biliteracy?

An updated report on the efforts of a committee recently formed to lobby through the government, parents, support groups, businesses, and school administrators for the purpose of getting the State of Mississippi approved for the Seal. (Edgar Serrano, University of Mississippi)

9:30-9:45 Break

9:45-10:45 Seesaw

Seesaw is an online portfolio tool that can be used to assess students, communicate with students and with parents, and to showcase student work. Participants will have an opportunity to see how Seesaw works first hand with hands-on activities and with examples from the presenter's classes. Participants will need a device to participate. (Laura Hall, Tishomingo County High School, MFLA President)

10:45-11:45 How to "Ask" a Story Using TPRS/CI Strategies

This presentation will empower foreign language teachers to "ask" a story in the target language using Storytelling/Comprehensible Input (TPRS/CI) strategies. The presenter will demonstrate how to use repetitions of the target structures with live student volunteers and will discuss the process of creating a classroom story, how to circle, and how to check for comprehension. Three classroom activities will be demonstrated. (Michelle Turonek, Pontotoc High School)

11:45-12:45 Lunch

12:45-1:45 **MFLA and Other Professional Organizations** The MFLA Vice-President for Membership will discuss the state organization, the upcoming fall conference, and other regional and national organizations that support world language teachers. (Lori LeVar Pierce, Mississippi School for Math and Science)

1:45-2:45 **Teaching the Past Tense with Comics** This session will demonstrate how to use comics to help students learn the difference between the two past tenses in Spanish or another Romance language. (David Higginbotham, University of Mississippi)

2:45-3:00 Break

3:00-4:00 **Testmoz, A Helpful Tool to Save Time While Teaching Languages** Testmoz is a free online tool. Educators can create quizzes within minutes. This presentation will show examples of how it can be implemented inside the classroom. (Gabriel Garrido, University of Mississippi)