



Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

December 9, 2015, 2:00 P.M.
Room 108, State Capitol Building
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Amy Bixler, Doug Brown, Bruce Day*, Dr. Bo Hannaford, Johnny Parks, Dr. Kent Shellenberger and Secretary of Education Natalie Shirley

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHER REGULAR ATTENDEES: Office of Educational Quality and Accountability Staff: Dr. Sherry Labyer, Angie Bookout, Jennifer Gambrell, Dr. Jim Hawkins, Jerry Hsieh, Abby Murphey, Renee Launey-Rodolf, and Jeff Wallace

VISITORS: Dr. Goldie Thompson, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education; Dr. Debbie Landry, Northeastern State University; Jake Yunker, Office of the Governor; Dr. Howard Kuchta, Cameron University; Dr. Brent Sykes, Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College; Steve Byas, Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College; Carla Krueger, Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College; Traci Morris, Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College; Frances Wade, Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College; Shawn Sheehan, Norman Public Schools, 2015 Teacher of the Year; Dr. Kim Boyd, Oral Roberts University; Shannon Thompson, Moore Public Schools; Ed Klein, Southwestern Oklahoma State University; Veronica Aguiñaga, Southwestern Oklahoma State University and Myrna Parks

Call to Order: Secretary Shirley called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM.

Introduction of Commission Members and Roll Call: Secretary Shirley asked for the roll call to be taken. Six Commission members were present, and it was established that a quorum existed.

Welcome from Dr. Sherry Labyer: Dr. Labyer welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approval of Minutes from the November 18, 2015 Commission Meeting: Dr. Shellenberger made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2015 Commission meeting as submitted. Dr. Hannaford seconded the motion. The motion passed as per the following vote:

Ms. Bixler:	approve	Dr. Hannaford:	approve
Mr. Brown:	approve	Dr. Shellenberger:	approve
Mr. Parks:	approve	Secretary Shirley:	approve
Mr. Day:	absent		

Presentation by Shawn Sheehan- 2015 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year

*Commission member Bruce Day arrived at 2:12 PM.

Discussion and action of proposed OEQA Commission dates for 2016: Mr. Day made a motion to approve the Commission dates as submitted. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed per the following vote:

Ms. Bixler:	approve	Dr. Hannaford:	approve
Mr. Brown:	approve	Dr. Shellenberger:	approve
Mr. Parks:	approve	Secretary Shirley:	approve
Mr. Day:	approve		

Discussion and action on State Accreditation for Southwestern Oklahoma State University: Dr. Shellenberger made the motion to approve State Accreditation for Southwestern State University, option number one, accreditation for seven years. All standards are met and no serious problems exist across the standards. This accreditation decision indicates that the unit meets each of the national standards for unit accreditation. Areas for improvement may be cited, indicating problems warranting the institution's attention. In its annual report the institution will be expected to address progress on the areas for improvement cited in the accreditation report. Mr. Parks seconded the motion. The motion passed per the following vote:

Ms. Bixler:	approve	Dr. Hannaford:	approve
Mr. Brown:	approve	Dr. Shellenberger:	approve
Mr. Parks:	approve	Secretary Shirley:	approve
Mr. Day:	approve		

Presentation and Discussion on follow-up for unmet standard and Areas of Improvement on Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College

Discussion on 2016 Financial Disclosure Statements, required by Commission members

New Business: None

Announcements and Informational Items: Commission member Mr. Parks commended Secretary Shirley on a newspaper article she wrote and was published in the Daily Oklahoman. A discussion followed on the importance of education and work force development. Dr. Labyer provided the monthly budget.

The meeting adjourned at 3:36 PM.

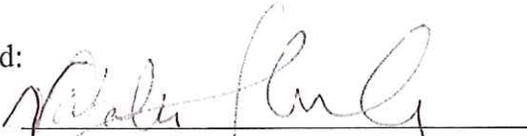
The minutes of the December 9, 2015 regular meeting of the Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability were approved (circle one)

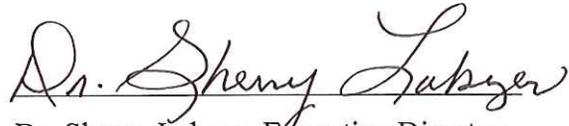
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with corrections

on February 17th, 2016.

Signed:


Natalie Shirley, Chairman


Dr. Sherry Labyer, Executive Director