



# Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

November 19, 2014, 2:00 P.M.  
Room 511-A, State Capitol Building  
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

- BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Amy Bixler, Doug Brown, Dr. Robyn Miller, Johnnie Parks, Renee Porter, and Dr. Kent Shellenberger
- BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** None
- OTHER REGULAR ATTENDEES:** Office of Educational Quality and Accountability Staff: Dr. Sherry Labyer, Angie Bookout, Robert Buswell, Jennifer Gambrell, Jerry Hsieh, Renee Launey-Rodolf, Dr. Kathren Stehno, and Jeff Wallace
- VISITORS:** Dr. Beverly Warden, Northwestern Oklahoma State University; Dr. Howard Kuchta, Cameron University; and Dr. Lois Lawler Brown, Oklahoma City University; Dr. Debbie Landry, Northeastern State University; Dr. Goldie Thompson, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education; Jason Proctor, 2015 Teacher of the Year

**Call to Order:** Dr. Shellenberger called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

**Introduction of Commission Members and Roll Call:** Dr. Labyer 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 October 31, 2014 Special Commission Meeting:** Mr. Parks made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 31, 2014 Commission meeting as submitted. Ms. Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Ms. Jennifer Gambrell introduced Mr. Jason Proctor, 2015 Oklahoma State Teacher of the Year. Mr. Proctor shared his thoughts and experiences as Teacher of the Year.

**Discussion and possible action: Approval of the OEQA Commission 2015 meeting dates**

Dr. Shellenberger presented the proposed OEQA Commission 2015 meeting dates. Dr. Labyer invited questions/comments on the proposed dates. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the proposed dates as submitted. Dr. Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**Discussion and Possible Action: Approve new certification program area for Oklahoma City University; Elementary Education initial/graduate level; and the recommendation of the review committee is *Recognized with Conditions***

Ms. Renee Launey-Rodolf discussed the program review process in regards to Oklahoma City University's graduate level elementary education program. Ms. Launey-Rodolf introduced Dr. Lois Lawler-Brown; Chair of the Division of Education, Oklahoma City University (OCU). Dr. Brown elaborated on OCU's new program offering and answered questions from the Commission members. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve OCU's new graduate level elementary education program. Ms. Bixler seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**Review and Discussion of School Performance Review Program:**

Dr. Robert Buswell shared the most recent performance reviews conducted which included: the final presentation for Lawton Public Schools and advanced visits for Crutchco, Cimarron and Prague. Upcoming spring reviews include Greenville, Jones, and Byng. Dr. Kathren Stehno is

working on creating program/policies that will strengthen follow-up activities related to the recommendations made by review teams.

**Review and Discussion of Educational Indicators Program:**

Dr. Robert Buswell stated that data requests have been sent out and the Memorandum of Understanding with the State Department of Education has been finalized. Work is being done on the 2014 School Questionnaire. It is anticipated that this survey will be sent to all principals after Thanksgiving.

**Discussion of Proposed Administrative Rules:**

Ms. Renee Launey-Rodolf presented the draft of the proposed rules; Title 218 – Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability. Ms. Launey-Rodolf explained the rule making process/timeline indicating that the rules would come to Commission for approval after the appropriate steps were followed. A question was raised regarding rules for the Quality division of the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability. Dr. Labyer indicated that the staff is discussing the need to promulgate rules for the Quality division.

**Review and Discussion of Program Review and Accreditation:**

Ms. Angie Bookout updated the Commission members on the status of the fall program reviews; five state reviews and 35 national reviews. Ms. Renee Launey-Rodolf detailed the accreditation visits taking place this fall and next spring: Mid-America Christian University, Hillsdale Freewill Baptist College, University of Tulsa, and Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

**Review and Discussion of Assessment:**

Ms. Renee Launey-Rodolf informed the Commission members of the upcoming Assessment activities: Standard Setting for the Elementary Education Subject Area Test and the Oklahoma Professional Teaching Exam and an Item Review Conference for Art, Early Childhood, Family and Consumer Science, School Psychologist, Principal and Superintendent exams.

**Review and Discussion of Educational Leadership Oklahoma:**

Ms. Jennifer Gambrell reported the current number of candidates involved in the Educational Leadership Oklahoma process. Ms. Gambrell indicated that she would be receiving final numbers for new National Board Certified Teachers (NBCT) in the next couple of weeks. A discussion ensued concerning the stipend given for NBCT renewals and the confusion on the interpretation of recent legislation.

**Executive Session Pursuant to 25 O.S. §307(B)(1) to discuss the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining, or resignation of OEQA Staff:** Mr. Parks made a motion to adjourn to executive session. Dr. Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**Vote to return to Open Session:** The Commission Voted to Return to Open Session.

**Possible Vote on Matters Discussed in Executive Session relating to the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining, or resignation of OEQA Staff:** There was no action taken on matters discussed in Executive Session.

**New Business:** No new business was discussed.

**Announcements:**

Dr. Labyer announced that Joy Hofmeister, Superintendent of Public Instruction will be attending the December 3rd OEQA Commission meeting. Ms. Hofmeister will also be meeting with OEQA staff on December 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Adjournment:** Ms. Porter made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Parks seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:18 PM.

The minutes of the November 19, 2014 regular meeting of the Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability were approved (circle one)

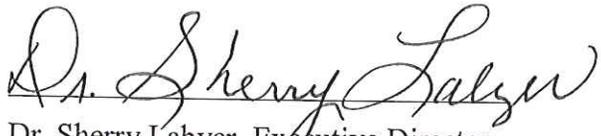
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on December 3, 2014.

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Dr. Kent Shellenberger, Acting Chairman

  
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Dr. Sherry Labyer, Executive Director

