



# Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**December 17, 2025, 1:30 P.M.**  
**The Strata Tower at Oklahoma Commons**  
**123 Robert S. Kerr Avenue**  
**Oklahoma City, OK 73102**  
**28<sup>th</sup> Floor, Conference Room 5**

The Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability (the “Commission” or “CEQA”) met for a Commission meeting at 1:30 p.m., on December 17, 2025, at the offices of the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability (“OEQA”), 123 Robert S. Kerr Avenue, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor, Conference Room 5, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102. Notice of Meeting and Agenda were posted in accordance with the Oklahoma the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:** Secretary of Education Daniel Hamlin, Ph.D.  
Geoff Kingsley, Ken Parker and Ashlyn Fiegenger, Ph.D.

**COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:** Brian Jacoby; Kathryn Szallar and John Daniel

**OEQA STAFF PRESENT:** Connie Reilly; Eric Jones; Caroline Misner; Kubra Say; Jerry Shay; Michelle Seybolt and Tatyana Blakemore

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Kristin Bugg; Jerry Mihelic; Dana Oliver; Toni Ivey; Stephanie Hitchcock, Robyn Randol, Marla Pankratz; Bethnay Becknell; Sada Knowles; Heather Sparks; Aiyana Henry; Staci Vollmer; Bryan Duke; Jeanene Barrett

**Call to Order:** Secretary of Education Daniel Hamlin, Ph.D. called the December 17, 2025, meeting of the Commission to order at 1:35 p.m. Roll call established the presence of a quorum with four (4) Commission Members present as follows: Secretary of Education Dr. Hamlin; Geoff Kingsley; Ken Parker and Ashlyn Fiegener.

**Welcome and Introduction of Others Present:** Ms. Connie Reilly welcomed the Commission and introduced others present at the meeting.

**Discussion, and Possible Revision, and Action to:** Approve Consent Agenda. The following items were presented under the Consent Agenda as these items included are considered routine in nature or had been previously discussed by the Commission and could be approved in one motion unless removed for separate consideration:

A. Approval of Minutes of the November 12, 2025, Regular Meeting of the Commission

The Commission reviewed the Consent Agenda. Mr. Kingsley made a motion to: Approve the Consent Agenda of the December 17, 2025, Regular Meeting of the Commission. Secretary Dr. Hamlin seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote of the Commission Members present. Those voting for the motion: Secretary Dr. Hamlin, Geoff Kingsley, Ken Parker, and Dr. Ashlyn Fiegener.

**Public Comment:** None

**Discussion and Possible Action to:** New program approval for a Master's in Elementary Education at Oklahoma Christian University leading to an initial standard certification.

Commissioner Kingsley recused himself from this agenda item. As a result, a quorum was not present for this agenda item, and the Commission was unable to take action on the item. No action was taken.

**Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action to:** Review and Approve new program for a Bachelors in Art Journalism Education at Oklahoma City University leading to certification in Journalism Education: Secretary Dr. Hamlin made a motion to: Review and Approve new program for a Bachelors in Art Journalism Education at Oklahoma City University leading to certification in Journalism Education. Dr. Fiegener seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote of the Commission Members present. Those voting for the motion: Secretary Dr. Hamlin, Geoff Kingsley, Ken Parker, and Dr. Ashlyn Fiegener.

**Presentation, Discussion and Possible Action to:** Approve TeachForwardOK EPP Application. Mr. Kingsley made a motion to: Approve TeachForwardOK EPP Application. Dr. Fiegener seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote of the Commission Members present. Those voting for the motion: Secretary Dr. Hamlin, Geoff Kingsley, Ken Parker, and Dr. Ashlyn Fiegener.

**Discussion and Possible Action to:** Ratify the 2026 Commission Regular Meeting Schedule. Secretary Dr. Hamlin made a motion to: Ratify the 2026 Commission Regular Meeting Schedule. Mr. Parker seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote of the Commission Members present. Those voting for the motion: Secretary Dr. Hamlin, Geoff Kingsley, Ken Parker, and Dr. Ashlyn Fiegener.

**Adjournment:** Dr. Ashlyn Fiegener made a motion to adjourn at 4:08 P.M. Mr. Parker seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote of the Commission Members present. Those voting for the motion: Secretary Dr. Hamlin, Geoff Kingsley, Ken Parker, and Dr. Ashlyn Fiegener.



