



Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 3, 2026, 1:30 P.M.
The Strata Tower at Oklahoma Commons
123 Robert S. Kerr Avenue
Oklahoma City, OK 73102
28th 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 June 3, 2026, at the offices of the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability (“OEQA”), 123 Robert S. Kerr Avenue, 28th 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., Kathryn Szallar, Melissa Evon, Ken Parker

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ashlyn Fiegenger, John Daniel, Jennifer Carlson

OEQA STAFF PRESENT:

Michelle Seybolt, Tatyana Blakemore, and Susan Pinson

GUESTS PRESENT:

Kristin Bugg, Tracy Jones, Mary Jordan, Victoria Hoskin, Kendall Pykes, Jerry Mihelic, Amanda Wilson, Jared Johnston, Julia Monroe, Stephanie Cox, Vanessa Anton, Sudy Lee

Call to Order: Secretary of Education Daniel Hamlin called the June 3, 2026, Regular 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; Kathryn Szallar; Melissa Evon; and Ken Parker

Discussion, Possible Revision, and Action to: Approve Minutes of the May 6, 2026, Special Meeting of the Commission.

The Commission reviewed the Minutes of the May 6, 2026, Special Meeting of the Commission. Secretary Dr. Hamlin made a motion to: Approve the Minutes of the May 6, 2026, Special Meeting of the Commission. Ms. Szallar 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, Kathryn Szallar, Melissa Evon, and Ken Parker.

Public Comment: None

Presentation, Discussion and Possible Action: Removal of Constructed Response Items from select OSAT Assessments. Secretary Dr. Hamlin made a motion to: Remove Constructed Response Items from select OSAT Assessments. Ms. Evon 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, Kathryn Szallar, Melissa Evon, and Ken Parker.

Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action to: Approve EPP Teacher Academies. Secretary Dr. Hamlin made a motion to: Approve the eight EPP Teacher Academies presented (East Central University, Langston University, Northeastern State University, Oklahoma Baptist University, Oklahoma State University, Oral Roberts University, University of Oklahoma – Norman, and University of Oklahoma – Tulsa) and authorize OEQA to request additional information as needed from each EPP academy and to add cohorts as needed. 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, Kathryn Szallar, Melissa Evon, and Ken Parker.

Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action to: Approve accreditation of Northeastern State University. Mr. Parker made a motion to: Approve accreditation of Northeastern State University for five years. Ms. Evon 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, Kathryn Szallar, Melissa Evon, and Ken Parker.

Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action to: Approve accreditation of Panhandle State University. Secretary Dr. Hamlin made a motion to table the discussion. Ms. Evon 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, Kathryn Szallar, Melissa Evon, and Ken Parker.

Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action to: Approve accreditation of Southern Nazarene University. Secretary Dr. Hamlin made a motion to: Grant probationary accreditation for two (2) years for Southern Nazarene University's Initial Program (Undergraduate) and to grant accreditation with stipulations for two (2) years for Southern Nazarene University's Advanced Program (Graduate). Ms. Szallar 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, Kathryn Szallar, Melissa Evon, and Ken Parker.

Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action to: Approve Oral Roberts University's Request to add a Reading Specialist and Literacy Coaching Concentration to the Master of Education in Teaching and Educational Leadership Program. Ms. Szallar made a motion to: Approve Oral Roberts University's Request to add a Reading Specialist and Literacy Coaching Concentration to the Master of Education in Teaching and Educational Leadership Program. 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, Kathryn Szallar, Melissa Evon, and Ken Parker.

Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action to: Approve Oral Roberts University's Request for a New Master of Education in School Library and Media Leadership Program. Ms. Evon made a motion to: Approve Oral Roberts University's Request for a New Master of Education in School Library and Media Leadership Program. 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, Kathryn Szallar, Melissa Evon, and Ken Parker.

Adjournment: Secretary Dr. Hamlin made a motion to adjourn at 3:30 P.M. Ms. Szallar 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, Kathryn Szallar, Melissa Evon, and Ken Parker.