

**Council for Educator Preparation**  
**Meeting Agenda**  
**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2025 | 9:30-10:15 AM**

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- A. Please review minutes from the meeting on [January 17, 2025](#).
  
- B. Resources
  - a. [EPP Definitions and Accountability Measures](#)
  - a. [EPP Staff Activity Calendar](#)
  - b. [EPP Staff Activity Calendar](#)[EPP Student Activity Calendar](#)
  
- C. Officer Reports
  - a. Dean's Report – Brigitte Vittrup
  - b. Chair/Vice Chair Report – Aimee Myers & Gage Jeter
    - i. EPP Interviews (Aimee Myers & Peggy Lisenbee)
    - ii. [Bylaws](#)- propose to revise (see section VII highlighted in yellow)
  
- D. Associate Dean's Report - Gina Anderson
  - a. [AACTE/National Issues](#)
    - i. Much concern expressed at National Conference
      - 1. Anti-DEI Legislation
      - 2. Students with Disabilities
      - 3. Grant & Research Funding
      - 4. Standing firm on action in accordance with the law
  
  - b. Texas Education Bills
    - i. HB 2: Basic allotment increase that still falls short of increased inflation; provides weighted funding based on intensity of SPED needs (not defined)
    - ii. HB 3: Voucher/ESAs
    - iii. HB 4: Additional assessment rules/requirements; conceding all educational authority to the Commissioner of Education
    - iv. HB 6: Increase support of teachers with students with disciplinary issues
    - v. SB 1: Allocates \$4.85B to public education, with \$4.1B for teacher raises and \$750M for teacher incentives. It also includes \$3.5B for property tax reductions, \$1B for education savings account (ESA) vouchers, and increased school safety funding.
    - vi. SB 2: Establishes a universal ESA program providing financial assistance for private, home, and special needs education.
    - vii. SB 4: Increases the residential homestead exemption from \$100K to \$140K.
    - viii. SB 10 & SB 11: Mandate the display of the Ten Commandments in classrooms and protect student prayer and Bible reading in schools.
    - ix. SB 13: Overhaul how libraries are run - change to committee format determined by state per each ISD.
    - x. SB 26: Introduces new teacher retention bonuses and salary allotments.
    - xi. SB 569 & HB 2196: Expand virtual and hybrid learning options with ADA inclusion.
    - xii. HB 221: Reduces standardized testing to federal requirements.

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- xiii. HB 1770 & HB 1157: Increase per-student school funding to \$7,500 basic allotment and shifts funding from attendance-based to enrollment-based.
- xiv. HB 2548; 2339: Bans teaching of or learning about dozens of DEI topics
- xv. SB 452 and 1489: Restricts shared governance of Faculty Senate and gives more authority to Board of Regents
- xvi. HB 1830: Bans tenure
- c. State of TWU's EPP and Teacher Certification in Texas will be shared at COPE meeting
- d. AAQEP
  - i. Continued Progress
  - ii. Dates for Site Visit will be mid-late April 2026
- e. TEA/SBEC Updates
  - i. Enhanced Standard Certificate Approved! Will become official after April SBEC meeting.
- f. TAFE Conference
  - i. Debrief Mtg Scheduled March 5
- g. EPP Staff Changes
  - i. March 4: Review of Applications for Mgr. of Clinical Practices
  - ii. Advisor II still pending in Oracle/HR
- E. Unit Reports
  - a. Advising & Certification - Linda Kobler
    - i. Status report
  - b. Clinical Practices - Sarah McMahan
    - i. Clinical Teaching - SP25
      - 1. Denton ISD Signing day 3.7.25 for our DISD resident
      - 2. HISD GYO candidates are on track to complete in May 25.
    - ii. Clinical Teaching - FA25
      - 1. The application deadline was 02/22
      - 2. Clinical Teachers and Interns - In order to clinical teach/intern in FA25, all exams must be passed by July 1, 2025. Some exams take longer to receive the results so encourage candidates to be proactive. Reminder: candidates must pass have passing scores on the practice exams before signing up for the state TExES exams.
      - 3. Residents (HISD, DISD, Aldine, Tomball, and others)- In order to begin R1 in FA25, content, supplemental, and STR exams by July 1, 2025. Residents must pass PPR by December 1, 2025 to begin R2 in SP26.
    - iii. Enhanced Standard Certificate - TEA approved our application for the Enhanced Standard Certificate on 2.25.25. It still has to be approved by SBEC in April.
      - 1. With this certificate option, it allows us to partner with districts seeking the Strategic Staffing grant. We have committed to partnering with the following districts if awarded the SS grant: Aubrey ISD, Bluff Dale ISD, and Rockwall ISD. There may be more. First year is planning year and the second year is implementation year.

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2. Additionally, with provides another option for our candidates who are seeking initial teacher certification (Standard Route or Enhanced Route). The enhanced route involves a residency model.
- iv. Field-Based Experiences
  1. Documentation procedures refer to this [email](#).
- c. Data and Assessment - Marcus Rodriguez
  - i. [Student Recent Change of Majors: To Education - Jan. 2025](#)
  - ii. [Student Recent Change of Majors: Out of Education - Jan. 2025](#)
  - iii. [TEA YTD Pass Rates - Jan. 2025](#)
  - iv. [TE<sub>x</sub>ES YTD 2024 - 2025 Pass Rate \(Gender\) - Jan. 2025](#)
  - v. [TE<sub>x</sub>ES YTD 2024 - 2025 Pass Rate \(Ethnicity\) - Jan. 2025](#)
  - vi. Title II (2023 - 2024) Narrative Initial Certification (undergrad and MAT/PBITC)
    1. Email sent to leads this week (some updated leads resulted from division reorganization)
  - vii. AAQEP Data Pulling
    1. Continued Progress
- F. Committee Chairs' Reports
  - a. Academic Programs - Gage Jeter
    - i. AI resource repository (specific to ed prep)
      1. Status update
    - ii. Develop application or process for "on-demand" requests made to Dean's Office for financial assistance
      1. [Draft Google Form](#) & planned procedure
  - b. Student Affairs - Lisa Grubbs
    - i. Status: rubric
  - c. Field Experiences - Sarah McMahan
    - i. FE Committee proposed the following [revised questions](#) for FBE (initial certification) and sent to Gina on 1.21.25 - approved.
  - d. Assessment - JaNiece Elzy
    - i. Status: linking Canvas with TK20
    - ii. Status: monitoring plans
- G. New Business
  - a. Vote on revised bylaws for EPP interviews
- H. Old Business - ???
  - a. Notify your advisees about the [Pearson Exam Vouchers](#) for high-need, shortage areas of certification. There are no DHoH vouchers left.  
**Vouchers with a surplus can be moved to others on the list as needed.**
- I. Announcements - ???
  - a. COPE [Urban Education Micro-Credential](#) accepting applications until April
- J. Adjournment
  - a. Motion to adjourn
  - b. Motion seconded
  - c. Meeting adjourned at \_\_\_\_\_