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**edTPA Task Force
Meeting Summary**

Rooms 5A/B

September 23, 2014 12:30 PM – 3:30 PM

12:30 PM – 12:40 PM Opening Remarks

Beth Berlin, Executive Deputy Commissioner, New York State Education Department
John D'Agati, Deputy Commissioner, New York State Education Department
Scott Bischooping, District Superintendent of Schools Wayne-Finger Lakes Board of Cooperative Educational Services, edTPA Task Force Co-chair
Jane Ashdown, Dean, School of Education, Adelphi University (Debbie Colley's designee)

The following were included in the meeting's opening remarks: Introduction of Task Force members and guests; statement of Task Force purpose; review of agenda items; discussion about the agenda and the expected deliverables of the Task Force. One Task Force member stated for the record that an overview presentation on edTPA would not be appropriate for this audience given its high level of expertise and experience with edTPA. It was explained that the overview was important for some members of the Task Force, such as those in P-12 who do not have the same background as the higher education members.

12:40 PM – 1:30 PM All About edTPA (SCALE)

Ray Pecheone, Executive Director of the Stanford Center for Assessment, Learning and Equity (SCALE)
Andrea Whittaker, Director, Teacher Performance Assessment, SCALE

SCALE presented an overview of the National Review Process and addressed questions about reliability and validity of edTPA.

Q&A with SCALE

Questions were raised about assessment outcomes and data, edTPA standard setting process, policy around the high stakes nature of the assessment, passing scores on different handbooks, evaluator training, the special education handbook, handbook revision, amount of feedback available to candidates, and the need for exemplars. Most questions would be revisited later in appropriate subcommittees.

Resources were shared by SCALE: 1.) Local Evaluation Training contains an exemplar; 2.) New document to be released from SCALE, "Understanding Rubric Level Progressions" which will assist in understanding the rubrics and scoring; and 3.) New document from SCALE highlighting retake discussion problem areas (Levels 1 & 2).

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM From the Field: Preparing Candidates for Success on edTPA

clcu Presentation:

*clcu: Maritza Macdonald, Sr. Director of Education and Policy, American Museum of Natural History;
Jane Ashdown, Dean and Professor, Adelphi University;
Susan Nesbitt Perez, Vice President, Outreach and Financial Aid*

CUNY Presentation:

*CUNY: Laura Baecher, Associate Professor of TESOL, Hunter College;
Andrew Ratner, Assistant Professor of Secondary Education, City College;
Gail Rosenberg, edTPA Coordinator, College of Staten Island;
Ashleigh Thompson, University Associate Dean for Academic Affairs;*

SUNY Presentation:

*SUNY: Irene Watts-Politz, edTPA Coordinator, SUNY New Paltz;
David Cantaffa, edTPA Coordinator, Assistant Dean for Teacher Education, University of Buffalo;
Ruth Pagerey, Associate Provost for Teacher Education*

2:30 PM – 3:15 PM Discussion in Subcommittee Groups

Policy and Procedure Subcommittee, Room 5A/B:

Subcommittee Attendance:

*NYSED: Sungti Hsu, Lauren Carnahan, Beth Berlin, John D'Agati; NYSUT: Catalina Fortino;
SUNY: David Cantaffa; CUNY: Niki Fayne; clcu: Lori Quigley, Maritza Macdonald, Illana Lane;
PSC: David Gerwin; UUP: Jamie Dangler; New teacher: Emily Drum; Guest: Nancy DeKorp;
SCALE: Ray Pecheone*

Reporter: Jamie Dangler

Facilitator: Undecided

Professional Development Subcommittee, Room 5D:

Subcommittee Attendance:

*NYSED: Melissa Greene, Jessie Westfall; NYSUT: Dan Kinley; SUNY: Ruth Pagerey;
CUNY: Ashleigh Thompson, Laura Baecher; clcu: Susan Nesbitt-Perez, Francesco Pignatosi;
PSC: Peter Taubman; Teacher Center: Jill Christian-Lynch; UUP: George Still;
SCALE: Andrea Whittaker; AACTE: Tim Finklea*

Reporter: Ashleigh Thompson

Facilitator: Laura Baecher

Practice Subcommittee, Room 5C:

Subcommittee Attendance:

NYSED: Hunter Raines, Megan Collins; edTPA candidate: Alexandra Murphy;

NYSUT: Maria Pacheco; clcu: Jane Ashdown; SCALE: Bev Falk; AACTE: Maria Hyler; Superintendent: Marie Wiles; CUNY: Gail Rosenberg; UUP: Ken Lindblom; PSC: Steve London; NYSUT: Leah Lembo

Reporter: Alexandra (Alex) Murphy
Facilitator: Ken Lindblom

3:15 PM – 3:25 PM Subcommittee Reports

Policy and Procedure:

- The need for aggregate data (state) in comparison to national data
- edTPA submission rates
- What policy questions can this subcommittee address?

Professional Development:

- More examples and artifacts are needed for each level of the rubric scale
- Need for aggregate data
- More funding for Professional Development after RTTT

Practice:

- Members setting up a discussion board and bi-weekly calls
- Need for aggregate data
- More exemplars needed at every level of edTPA rubric scale
- Privacy concerns - using authentic NYS samples for professional development

3:25 PM – 3:30 PM Closing Remarks and Next Steps

Set Future Meeting Dates:

NYSED staff will create a Doodle poll to choose from the following dates for the next meetings:

- October 17 or ***October 30, 2014***
- November 13 or ***November 25, 2014***
- December 17 or ***December 18, 2014***