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**Leslie Peterson Schwarze and Jon M. Stordahl
Elected 2005 Chair and Vice Chair of
California Teacher Credentialing Commission**

SACRAMENTO – A school board trustee and a high school history teacher were unanimously elected by members of the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (Commission) to serve as the 2005 Commission Chair and Vice Chair. **Leslie Peterson Schwarze** and **Jon M. Stordahl** expressed a sense of honor and dedication in being elected and will serve as chair and vice chair of the Commission through December 2005.

Leslie Peterson Schwarze has been a member of the Board of Trustees for the Novato Unified School District since 1997. Previously, she served as treasurer for the Marin County School Board Association and remains an active member of the California School Board Association. From 1998 to 2002, Ms. Schwarze was a member of the California State Curriculum Commission where she served as an expert in reading instruction.

Jon M. Stordahl has taught history and United States civics classes at Trabuco Hills High School in Laguna Beach since 1989. He has served on several school site committees, including Powerful Teaching and International Baccalaureate. Mr. Stordahl earned his teaching credential from California State University, Long Beach.

Chair Schwarze and Vice Chair Stordahl were appointed to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing by Governor Schwarzenegger on March 1, 2005. Membership on the Commission is non-salaried.

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