

TO: Members of the Higher Education Committee

SUBMITTED BY: Mary Beth McNulty, Vermont Department of Education ROPA Consultant

ITEM FOR ACTION: One-Year Report: Upper Valley Educator Institute

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators vote to accept the Upper Valley Educator Institute's One-Year Report and grant approval in accordance with the Higher Education Committee's recommendations.

MOTION:

I, _____, move that the VSBPE accept Upper Valley Educator Institute's One-Year Report. I further move that, based on the Report and its accompanying documentation, the VSBPE grant full approval to the alternate route program for principals.

This approval will be effective through the completion of the next ROPA Review of Upper Valley Educator Institute's administrator preparation program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators (VSBPE) authorized a Review Team to conduct an on-site review of the alternate route principal preparation program at the Upper Valley Teaching Institute, Lebanon, New Hampshire. The on-site visit occurred on July 14th and 15th 2008. Members of the Review Team included: **Stephanie Taylor**, VSBPE Member, Assistant Principal U-32; **Brent Kay**, Superintendent, Orange SWSU; **Judith Aiken**, Education Professor, UVM; and **Laurie Hodgdon**, Principal, Milton Middle School. Marilyn Richardson and Mary Beth McNulty from the Vermont Department of Education assisted the team.

The Report and Recommendations of the Program Review Team were conditionally approved by the VSBPE on September 22, 2008.

STAFF AVAILABLE: Mary Beth McNulty, ROPA Education Consultant and Marilyn Richardson, Higher Education Liaison.