VSBPE

Date: August 13, 2024

Item: Peer Review Substantive Change Request

ITEM: Shall the VSBPE approve the substantive change request from the Peer Review program and:

- Allow for AOE Office personnel to act as VLP reviewers to process high quality and prepared Peer Review candidates without the use of contracted panelists.
- Allow for Peer Review panelists to complete their review asynchronously, without an interview, unless needed to address concerns.
- Allow for Peer Review Panelists to review portfolios outside of their endorsement area?

AGENCY RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the VSBPE approve the substantive change request from the Peer Review program and allow for AOE personnel to act as reviewers, allow panelists to complete their review asynchronously without an interview, and allow panelists to review portfolios outside of their endorsement area.

BACKGROUND:

Peer Review was granted a one-year pilot of this substantive change by the VSBPE in September of 2023; this authorization is valid until September 30, 2024.

RATIONALE:

The VSBPE has determined that program delivery should not be considered a substantive change; however, these changes to the Peer Review program are beyond whether a course is delivered in-person or remotely, and so the Board should have the opportunity to weigh in on this decision.

The rationale for approving this change is the same as when the request was presented in 2023, with additional supporting evidence of how the pilot has been working.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

2023 approved request; PowerPoint from Peer Review