

VSBPE

Date: July 9, 2020

Item: Revision of VSBPE Policies:

- **E1 - Financial Grants to Local and Regional Standards Boards - Revise**
- **Q1 – Waivers - Revise**

ITEM: Shall the VSBPE adopt the revised VSBPE Policies E1, Financial Grants to Local and Regional Standards Boards and Q1, Waivers?

AGENCY RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators adopts the revised version of

That the Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators adopts the revised version of Policy E1: Financial Grants to Local and Regional Standards Boards to delete item #4 – regarding submitting an accounting or the previous Grant expenditures.

That the Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators adopts the revised version of Policy Q1: Waivers to delete from table CTE Director.

BACKGROUND: At the last meeting (May 28, 2020), the proposed Policy revisions were presented to the Licensing Committee. The Licensing Committee was in agreement regarding all the revisions to the above two Policies.

RATIONALE:

- To bring policies up to date to reflect current practice.
- Policy E1 – financial form will no longer be necessary since Grant process changed and there will no longer be a carryover from previous Grant Awards.
- Policy Q1 – CTE Directors do not request waivers – it is the Superintendent of the SUSD where the CTE Center is located who requests waivers. The three CTE Centers that are their own SD – the CTE Directors are all required to hold the Superintendent endorsement.

ATTACHED:

Draft Policies:

- **E1 - Financial Grants to Local and Regional Standards Boards**
- **Q1 - Waivers**

POLICY E1

Policy on Financial Grants To Local and Regional Standards Boards

It is the policy of the Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators to authorize some financial assistance in addition to the supervisory unions' responsibility for the support of local and regional standards boards.

Formula for disseminating grant allowances will be calculated each year based on funding availability according to a method determined by the VSBPE and subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Financial resources available
- 2) LSBs/RSBs have an approved plan of operation
- 3) LSBs/RSBs apply for the grant by completing a grant application by deadline assigned
- 4) ~~LSBs/RSBs have submitted an accounting of the previous grant expenditures~~
- 5) LSBs/RSBs have completed the annual report required by the VSBPE
- 6) LSBs/RSBs send representation to all trainings held by the VSBPE and the Licensing Office.
- 7) LSBs/RSBs meet any other conditions that may be established.

❖ **Note: Grants awards will only be distributed if final SDE 3.0 is submitted by fiscal agent to AOE Finance Office by deadline established by AOE.**

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Policy Q1 – Waivers

Waivers

The purpose of this policy is to establish procedures to allow for school districts, supervisory unions/supervisory districts, CTE centers and the AOE to proceed with daily operations and statutory obligations by:

1. Allowing for the AOE to grant waivers *without a VSBPE hearing that* allows for application of provisional, emergency or apprenticeship licenses as follows:

In the absence of:	
Superintendent of Schools	SU/SD Board Chairperson Acting Superintendent
Director of Independent School	Board Chairperson
CTE Director	Superintendent of Schools

2. Provide a process for submission of Waiver Requests to the Vermont Standards Board of Professional Educators which will be reviewed annually and details
 - a. The required format of waiver submissions
 - b. Guidelines to allow for public disclosure in adherence with open meeting laws

In the unlikely event that a request of the VSBPE must be made and there is no “authorized” party to make the request the Secretary of Education or their designee can make the request. *Making the request does not imply agreement with said request.*

Adopted: 5/13/15