**VSBPE** 

Date: Sept. 19, 2019

Item: Change to ROPA Review Team

ITEM: Shall the VSBPE approve the proposed new member of the Castleton ROPA Review

Team?

**AGENCY RECOMMENDED ACTION:** 

That the VSBPE approve the proposed new member of the Castleton ROPA Review Team

**BACKGROUND:** 

The Review Team had been approved for Castleton's ROPA visit that is scheduled for Oct. 17-18, 2019, but recently one member of the team, Brian Boyes, notified the AOE that he would not be able to participate. We were fortunate to find a well-qualified replacement in Justin Rito.

**RATIONALE:** 

Justin Rito received his Bachelors degree in Music Education at Alma College, his Masters in Music Composition at Central Michigan University, a second Masters in Music Theory at The University of Western Ontario, and a Doctor of Musical Arts degree from Michigan State University. He is currently an Assistant Professor of Music at Northern Vermont University, Johnson, which has a ROPA-approved music education program. He has also been an Adjunct Instructor of Music at Michigan State University.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENT: None**