

TO: Program Approval Committee

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March 29, 2017

SUBMITTED BY: Linda McSweeney – ROPA Consultant

ITEM FOR ACTION: Champlain College –Proposed Review Team

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators votes to accept the proposed team members for the April 2017 Champlain College ROPA Review.

MOTION:

I, _____, move that the VSBPE approve the following team members for the Champlain College ROPA visit in April 2017. The team members are: Amy Mungur, Team Chair, Kate Evans, educator, and Tom Young, educator/VSBPE member.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Dr. Amy Mungur, Team Chair, Green Mountain College

Amy Mungur has been an Assistant Professor of Secondary Education at Green Mountain College since 2014. She earned an M.A in East Asian Studies from Duke University in 2008, and her Ph.D. in the Teaching of Social Studies at Teachers College, Columbia University in 2014. Her research focuses on representation in both popular and educational media and explores historical foundations into our ways of knowing and engaging with the world outside of the United States. In her teaching, Amy uses her research on representation and critical media literacy as a way to engage her pre-service teachers in a range of theories, as well as the movement between theory and practice. Amy contributes to GMC's Program in Education by teaching courses such as *Teacher as Decision Maker*, *Assessment and Management of Behavior*, *History of Education*, *Philosophy of Education*, and *Elementary Social Studies Methods*. In addition to her education courses, Amy contributes to the general education programs, teaching courses such as *Diversity & Inclusion in Educational Contexts*, *East Asia in National Geographic Perspective*, *Contemporary Social Issues*, and *A Delicate Balance*. Prior to her graduate studies, Amy taught secondary world history, Asian Studies, and Latin in Jackson, Mississippi (2001-2006), and English as a Second Language in Wuhan China (1997-1999).

Kate Evans, Educator, Trinity Children's Center

Kate fell in love with teaching while accompanying her step-mom to work as an Adaptive Physical Educator. She majored in Early Childhood Special Education at UVM which included student-teaching experiences at Trinity Children's Center in Burlington and six months of teaching experience in Stockholm, Sweden. While working as a classroom teacher at Trinity Children's Center for the past five years, Kate earned a Masters in Educational Leadership at the University of Vermont and began to offer professional development courses to other

teachers through the Northern Lights Program. Kate also volunteers with Let's Grow Kids and Vermont Adaptive Ski and Sports where she is a certified Adaptive Snowboard Instructor.

Tom Young, Educator at the Waitsfield Elementary School and VSBPE member

Tom Young is a 1st and 2nd grade teacher at Waitsfield Elementary School where he is in his 20th year of teaching. His teaching career began in the Northern Marianas Islands, on the island of Saipan. Tom is a 1996 Early Childhood Education graduate of Champlain College and obtained his Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction at the University of Vermont. He was part of the NEA/Better Lesson Master Teacher Project (Both Math and Science). He was honored with the 2011 UVM Outstanding Teacher Award followed by the Vermont NEA Excellence in Teaching Award in 2012. He is also a NEA Foundation Teaching Excellence Award Winner and a 2013 Pearson Global Learning Fellow. In 2014, he received the Sontag Prize in Urban Education and was a Presidential Math Award Finalist. In 2016 he was an invited guest to the Global Teacher Summit in Kuppam, India. Tom is currently working on designing a teacher mentorship for the NEA Foundation Global Educator project. Additionally Tom is a current member of the Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators. In the past, he has been an adjunct professor for Champlain College where he taught Classroom Management and Math Methods courses. In his free time, Tom coaches Varsity basketball for Harwood Union High School and enjoys watching his daughters compete in their sports as well as spending time with my wife, Angela.

The Team will be supported by the following AOE staff:

Martha Deiss, AOE Proficiency-Based Learning Team- Global Citizenship Specialist

Martha is a 20+ year educational professional who has been recognized for outstanding performance in the classroom and the Charlotte, NC community. She has recently moved to Vermont where she is the Global Citizenship Specialist on the Agency of Education's Proficiency-Based Learning Team. Martha is licensed in middle and high school social studies (MA, NC, VT) and has taught US history, world history, and predominately civics and economics in the International Baccalaureate (IB) Middle Years Program She has also taught AP Comparative Government and Politics and most recently was one of the first teachers in the US to be trained to teach IB Global Politics when she developed the curriculum and taught the class during the 2015-16 school year. Awarded the Time Warner Cable Teacher of the Year Award in 2009, she was instrumental in having her school be awarded as the first Globally Badged High School in North Carolina through my efforts with both students and staff to view the classroom through a global lens. Additionally, Martha was emergency licensed as a special ed self-contained classroom teacher for one year and was an inclusion teacher for six years.

Linda McSweeney, AOE ROPA Consultant

Linda has over 25 years of experience as both a college reference librarian and a Level II licensed school librarian. She is a graduate of Dickinson College with a B.S. in Geology and Rutgers University with a Masters in Library and Information Studies. She has completed additional graduate courses in the sciences, education, and educational technology. Linda has

been a frequent lecturer for LAPDA, CVEDC, and the University of Vermont where she has taught graduate level courses on Google Applications for educators, Virtual Library Design, Web 2.0 applications, and Information Sources and Services. Past President of Vermont Library Association and Vermont School Library Association, she is a frequent presenter at educational technology and library conferences around New England. She enjoys camping with her husband, Tom, a 30+ year science teacher, and Rosie, a golden doodle. Their daughter Mary carries on the family tradition of careers in education and is a second year music teacher in Connecticut.