INSTRUCTIONAL ENHANCEMENT AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items October 18-19, 2012

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16. <u>Approval of methodology to award funds to local educational agencies to provide online leadership assessments to principals</u>

<u>Purpose</u>: Funds will be awarded to local educational agencies to provide the Vanderbilt Assessment of Leadership in Education (VAL-ED) online evaluation instrument for participating principals, principal supervisors and teachers during the pilot year and in subsequent years, contingent upon the availability of funds.

VAL-ED is a researched-based evaluation tool that measures the effectiveness of school leaders by providing a detailed assessment of a principal's perceived performance. VAL-ED focuses on learning-centered leadership behaviors that influence teachers, staff, and most importantly, student achievement. VAL-ED is a 360 degree assessment, intended to be taken by not only the principal, but by teachers and the principal's supervisor.

<u>Eligibility</u>: Districts are eligible for the award upon signing a commitment form that denotes agreement to the terms and conditions of the program.

Funding Source: State Funds

Basis for Awarding the Grants: Discretionary

Recommendation: Approval