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**EXHIBIT: III.D.**

TO: Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Susan A. Gendron, Commissioner\*

DATE: June 13, 2007

SUBJECT: Approval of State Team Members for the NCATE Focus Visit to the University of Maine

**BACKGROUND:** The University of Maine will be visited from Sunday, September 16, 2007 through Tuesday, September 18, 2007 by a joint State and NCATE team. This visit will focus upon the College of Education and Human Development's efforts toward meeting Standard 4 – Diversity. This standard was found not to have been met by the NCATE Unit Accrediting Board in the spring of 2005. Standard 4 will be reassessed as related to delivery of the following teacher preparation programs:

**Undergraduate Programs:**

- Art Education
- Early Childhood Education
- Elementary Education
- Kinesiology and Physical Education
- Music Education
- Secondary Education
  - English/Language Arts
  - Foreign Language
  - Mathematics
  - Science
  - Social Studies

**Advanced Programs:**

- Counselor Education
- Educational Leadership
- Elementary Education
- Curriculum, Assessment & Instruction
- Instructional Technology
- Kinesiology and Physical Education
- Literacy Elementary
- Literacy Secondary
- Literacy Specialist
- Master of Science – Teaching

- Master of Arts in Teaching – Secondary
- Master of Education – Science
- Master of Education – Curriculum, Assessment & Instruction
- Special Education

The State of Maine Program Approval and NCATE Unit Accreditation for Professional Education Units in the State of Maine Partnership Agreement stipulates that a joint state and national visitation team, for a focused visit, will be composed of three educators representing NCATE and two Maine educators. The team will be chaired by an NCATE team member and co-chaired by a Maine team member.

In accordance with Chapter 114-A, § 3.8 Joint Program Approval and the State of Maine Program Approval and NCATE Unit Accreditation for Professional Education Units in the State of Maine Partnership Agreement potential state visitation team members have been selected for the State Board's consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: That the State Board of Education approves the state team members for the University of Maine State/NCATE focused visit that is scheduled for September 16 - 18, 2007.

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The Department of Education, in conjunction with the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), will conduct a focused visit to the University of Maine, College of Education and Human Development, September 16 - 18, 2007. The following, for Board approval, is the proposed list of Maine educators to serve on the visitation team:

Dr. Kathy Yardley - Co-Chair  
Dean, School of Education, Health  
And Rehabilitation  
University of Maine at Farmington  
Farmington, Maine

Dr. Susan Hillman  
Chair, Department of Education  
University of New England  
Biddeford, Maine

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