THE UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT AND STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE
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JOINT MEETING

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Friday, February 3, 2017
11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Silver Maple Ballroom, (401) Dudley H. Davis Center

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<td>1. General Concept for Multipurpose Center</td>
<td>Thomas Sullivan</td>
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*Times are approximate.*
A joint meeting of BFI and EPIR Committees will convene at 11:30 a.m. for approximately 45 minutes to receive a presentation on a proposed Multipurpose Center. President Tom Sullivan will introduce the topic and Colleen McKenna from Cannon Design will be presenting our findings and proposed approach along with myself and other colleagues.

After lunch, BFI and EPIR Committees will meet separately to discuss the project, with a focus on their respective financial and programmatic responsibilities. Vice President for Finance & Treasurer Richard Cate will lead the BFI discussion, and I will lead the discussion at EPIR. At the end of the day, the Committee of the Whole will convene to address any additional questions from Trustees.

The following brief overview is offered by way of background on the proposed project.

The issue of improved and expanded UVM facilities for health, fitness, recreation, wellness, campus events, and intercollegiate athletics has been considered and discussed in one form or another for many years. One of the more recent forays into the subject was conducted under the auspices of the UVM Board of Trustees in 2008-2009. At that time, the Board approved the report and findings of the Campus Life Task Force II (“Task Force”), which assessed and identified programmatic and student needs related to major events, health, fitness and recreation, and intercollegiate athletics, and went so far as to develop concepts, phasing strategies, and a list of projects to be put into the Annual Capital Project Request and Prioritization Process. This effort was largely shelved as the recession wore on. Here is a link to the report: [http://www.uvm.edu/trustees/cltfII/Final_Report_May-2009.pdf](http://www.uvm.edu/trustees/cltfII/Final_Report_May-2009.pdf)

In the intervening years, it became increasingly clear that although something needed to be done to improve our facilities, the level of expenditures outlined in the Task Force Report would be extremely difficult to fund. However, the 12 “Guiding Principles” developed by Task Force are still relevant today:

- **Match the level of excellence required by UVM’s Vision.**
- **Reflect and support the mission and values of the University.**
- **In a highly student-centered way, meet the breadth and depth of health, wellness, recreation, fitness, athletic, and event/activities needs of UVM’s active and diverse community.**
o Maximize cost savings through utilization of existing facilities and co-location of new ones.

o Build community in a creative and integrated way.

o Compare well with our peer institutions.

o Model exemplary environmental stewardship.

o Assist in the recruitment, retention, and success of students, faculty, and staff.

o Integrate academic components into the program.

o Embody the outdoor, natural spirit of Vermont.

o Allow the intercollegiate athletic program to compete, thrive, and enhance the experience and success of the student-athlete.

o Be planned and constructed within available resources (from sources internal and external), and in light of other institutional needs and priorities.

In 2016, the municipalities of South Burlington and Burlington approached the University to explore the feasibility of, and our interest in, becoming an anchor tenant in a municipal facility in one or the other city designed to accommodate intercollegiate competition for both hockey and basketball. We have spent much of the year analyzing the financial and programmatic feasibility of such a facility. Although a final decision has not been made with respect to pursuing these options, the advantages of a University owned and sited facility became increasingly clear, and we have made significant progress in assessing an on-campus approach. We will be presenting and discussing our findings with the Board at its February 2017 meeting.