This event was intended to:
1) build awareness of food systems research, scholarship and outreach that is underway at UVM and in our community; 2) identify emerging opportunities for food systems research; 3) develop specific recommendations for the implementation of UVM food system planning grants; and 4) create opportunities for communication that will lead to collaboration.

8:30 Poster presentations.

9:00 Welcome.
   Domenico Grasso, Vice President for Research

9:10 Overview of the Day and Follow Up Actions.
   Vern Grubinger, Extension

9:15 A Path to Excellence for the UVM Food Systems Spire.
   John Bramley, President, Windham Foundation

9:30 Vermont Digital Foodways Initiative.
   Elizabeth Berman, Libraries

9:45 Collaboration between UVM and the Center for an Agricultural Economy in Hardwick.
   Joe Speidel, Federal, State and Community Relations
   Carrie Williams Howe, Community-University Partnerships and Service Learning

10:00 Transdisciplinary Research at the Global Health and Food System Interface.
   Jon Erickson, Gund Institute for Ecological Economics

10:35 Initial Funding for Food Systems Planning Grants.
   Doug Lantagne, Dean of Extension

10:40 Small group brainstorming: key criteria to be included in a UVM transdisciplinary food system planning grant RFA.

11:00 Remarks on a Food Systems Spire of Excellence at UVM.
   Roger Allbee, Vermont Secretary of Agriculture

11:15 Student-Driven Research to Solve Engineering Problems on Farms.
   Mike Rosen, Engineering
11:30 **Food Systems Research at the UVM Proctor Maple Research Center.**
   Abby van den Berg, Proctor Maple Research Center

11:45 **The Journey of Sustainable Food at Fletcher Allen Health Care.**
   Diane Imrie, Fletcher Allen Health Care

1:00 **Transdisciplinary Research for a Healthier Vermont.**
   Wendy Davis, Vermont Commissioner of Health

1:15 **The Effects of Obesity on Innate Immune Response.**
   Benjamin Suratt, Medicine

1:30 **A Local Food Curriculum for Low Income Populations.**
   Rachel Schattman, Extension Center for Sustainable Agriculture
   Amy Davidson, EFNEP Coordinator for Extension

1:45 **Development of an Assay for Contaminants in Fermented and Distilled Products.**
   Dwight Matthews, Chemistry

2:10 **Small group discussion:** transdisciplinary research focus areas with best fit to UVM and highest potential to benefit Vermont.

2:30 **Food Systems Research Needed to Strengthen Vermont’s K-12 Education.**
   Armando Vilaseca, Vermont Commissioner of Education

2:45 **Child Nutrition Implications of Vermont Farm-to-School Programs.**
   Linda Berlin, Nutrition and Food Science

3:00 **Family Business and the Evolution of Land-Based Industries.**
   Rocki-Lee DeWitt, Business Administration

3:15 **The UVM Food Systems Research Collaborative Projects and White Papers.**
   Jane Kolodinsky, Community Development and Applied Economics

3:30 **Closing Remarks.**
   Chuck Ross, State Director, Office of Senator Patrick Leahy

**Summaries of UVM Food Systems Research and Outreach Projects**

**Food Systems Links**

**UVM Food Systems Research Collaborative**