

# UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT AND STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### COMMITTEES

*As established in Article 7 of the University Bylaws*

**Standing Committees:** The standing committees of the Board of Trustees shall be: Executive Committee, Board Governance Committee, Audit Committee, Budget, Finance & Investment Committee, Educational Policy & Institutional Resources Committee and such other standing committees as may be established by the Board of Trustees from time to time. Any committees, including standing committees, that include non-trustees shall be advisory in nature and shall not have the right to exercise the authority of the Board of Trustees. The President of the University shall be an *ex officio* member of all committees except for the Audit Committee. The chair of each committee other than the Executive Committee shall prepare the agenda for meetings of the committees. The President shall prepare the agenda for meetings of the Executive Committee in consultation with the Chair of the Board.

**Composition and Duties of Standing Committees:** The standing committees shall be comprised of such members as may be determined by resolution of the Board of Trustees from time to time. Appointment of members to each standing committee must be approved by a majority of all the trustees in office when the action is taken. Each standing committee shall have at least two persons who are members of the Board of Trustees. Standing committees other than the Executive Committee shall have such duties as may be determined by resolution of the Board of Trustees from time to time.

**Duties of the Executive Committee:** During the intervals between meetings of the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee shall have all the powers of the Board of Trustees in management of the property and affairs of the University and may exercise the authority of the Board of Trustees except as may otherwise be provided by law. In addition to its authority to take action on matters which cannot or should not be deferred to the Board's next scheduled meeting, the Executive Committee shall oversee the work of committees of the Board, the University's planning process and the Board's responsibility to support the President and assess his or her performance.

**Ad hoc Committees:** The Board of Trustees may create ad hoc committees and appoint members to them from time to time. Such creation of committees and appointment of members must be approved by a majority of all the trustees in office when the action is taken. Each committee shall have at least two persons who are members of the Board of Trustees. If a committee includes non-trustees, the committee shall be advisory in nature and shall not have the right to exercise the authority of the Board of Trustees. The President of the University shall be an *ex officio* member of all ad hoc committees.