

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT AND STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE**

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College held a special meeting on Thursday, October 14, 2021, at 1:00 p.m., via remote conferencing.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Ron Lumbra, Secretary John Bartholomew, President Suresh Garimella, Frank Cioffi<sup>1</sup>, Carolyn Dwyer, Don McCree and Shap Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT: Vice Chair Cynthia Barnhart

OTHER TRUSTEES PRESENT: Carol Ode, Berke Tinaz and Catherine Toll

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT: Faculty Senate Representative Tom Borchert, Staff Council Representative Jon Reisenweaver, Interim Foundation Representative President & CEO Jim Keller, Graduate Student Representative Rosie Chapina and Student Government Association Representative Sam Pasqualoni

PERSONS ALSO PARTICIPATING: Provost and Senior Vice President Patricia Prelock, Vice President for Legal Affairs & General Counsel and Chief of Staff to the President Sharon Reich Paulsen and Vice President for Finance and Administration Richard Cate

<sup>1</sup> Joined the meeting at 2:14 p.m.

Chair Ron Lumbra called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

**Executive Session**

The Chair entertained a motion to enter into executive session to discuss contracts, premature general public knowledge of which would clearly place the University at a substantial disadvantage. He noted the session would last approximately one hour and that no action is anticipated following. The motion was seconded and approved. Everyone was excused from the meeting with the exception of Trustees; Provost & Senior Vice President Patricia Prelock; Vice President for Legal Affairs & General Counsel and Chief of Staff to the President Sharon Reich Paulsen; Vice President for Finance and Administration Richard Cate and Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff Erin Dickinson.

The meeting was re-opened to the public at 2:56 p.m.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Lumbra, Chair