

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

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College was held on Thursday, March 20, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. via remote conferencing.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Cynthia Barnhart, Vice Chair Donald McCree¹, Secretary Catherine Toll, John Bartholomew, Scott Beck, Susan Brengle¹, Frank Cioffi, Jodi Goldstein, Jennifer Ha, McKenzie Hart, Stephanie Jerome, Ron Lumbra, Jason Maulucci², Carol Ode, Ed Pagano, Kristina Pisanelli, Lucy Rogers, and Tristan Toleno

MEMBERS ABSENT: Matt Devost, John Dineen, R. Stanton Dodge, Interim President Patricia Prelock, Monique Priestley, Shap Smith, and Governor Phil Scott

ALSO PARTICIPATING: Vice President for Legal Affairs & General Counsel Sharon Reich Paulsen and Isaacson, Miller partner Vijay Saraswat

¹Departed the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

²Joined the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Chair Cynthia Barnhart called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

Approval of previous minutes

A motion was made, seconded and it was voted to approve the minutes from the March 14, 2025, special meeting as presented.

Executive session

At 12:07 p.m. Chair Barnhart entertained a motion to enter into executive session to discuss the appointment or evaluation of a public officer. She noted that action is anticipated following the session, which is expected to last approximately 55 minutes.

Trustees, Vice President for Legal Affairs & General Counsel Sharon Reich Paulsen Cate, and Isaacson, Miller partner Vijay Saraswat were invited to remain.

The meeting was re-opened to the public at 1:02 p.m.

Other business

Chair Barnhart introduced the following resolution for approval:

Resolution Approving Presidential Appointment

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2025, the Board of Trustees authorized the Board Chair to invite Dr. Marlene Tromp to meet with the UVM campus community on March 18-19, 2025, as sole finalist for the position of president;

WHEREAS, Dr. Tromp met with students, faculty, staff, and others during her interview visit on March 18 and 19, 2025;

WHEREAS, the Board has considered Dr. Tromp's experience, qualifications, and feedback received;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board approves the appointment of Dr. Marlene Tromp as President of the University, effective July 1, 2025, subject to execution of an employment agreement containing the terms and conditions today discussed.

A motion was made, seconded, and the resolution was unanimously approved as presented.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Barnhart, Chair