

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, January 30, 2025, Friday, January 31, 2025, and Saturday, February 1, 2025, at the Courtyard Marriott, 25 Cherry Street, Burlington, Vermont.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Ron Lumbra¹, Vice Chair Cynthia Barnhart, Secretary Catherine Toll, Susan Brengle, Frank Cioffi, Matt Devost², R. Stanton Dodge³, Carolyn Dwyer, Katelynn Giroux, Jodi Goldstein, Jennifer Ha, Stephanie Jerome, Carol Ode⁴, Ed Pagano⁵, Kristina Pisanelli, Lucy Rogers, Shap Smith, and Tristan Toleno

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kevin “Coach” Christie, John Dineen, Donald McCree, Interim President Patricia Prelock, Monique Priestley, Governor Phil Scott, and Samuel Young

ALSO PARTICIPATING: Deputy General Counsel John Collins and Chief of Staff to the President Jonathan D’Amore

¹Joined the meeting at 2:13 p.m.

²Participated in the meeting by phone; joined at 4:45 p.m.

³Joined the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

⁴Joined the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

⁵Participated in the meeting by phone; joined at 2:12 p.m.

Vice Chair Cynthia Barnhart called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

Executive session

Vice Chair Barnhart entertained a motion to enter into executive session to discuss the appointment or evaluation of a public officer. She noted that no action is anticipated following the session which is expected to last approximately 5 hours today, 6 hours when reconvened tomorrow, and 3 hours when reconvened on Saturday.

Trustees, Deputy General Counsel John Collins, and Chief of Staff to the President Jonathan D’Amore were invited to remain.

The meeting recessed at 7:20 p.m.

On Friday, January 31, 2025, the meeting reconvened in executive session at 9:57 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Ron Lumbra, Vice Chair Cynthia Barnhart, Secretary Catherine Toll, Susan Brengle, Frank Cioffi¹, Matt Devost², R. Stanton Dodge, Carolyn Dwyer, Katelynn Giroux, Jodi Goldstein, Jennifer Ha, Stephanie Jerome, Donald McCree³, Ed Pagano⁴, Kristina Pisanelli⁵, Lucy Rogers, Shap Smith, and Tristan Toleno

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kevin “Coach” Christie, John Dineen, Carol Ode, Interim President Patricia Prelock, Monique Priestley, Governor Phil Scott, and Samuel Young

ALSO PARTICIPATING: Deputy General Counsel John Collins and Chief of Staff to the President Jonathan D’Amore

¹ Joined the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

² Joined the meeting by phone.

³ Departed the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

⁴ Joined the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

⁵ Joined the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

The meeting recessed at 12:39 p.m.

The meeting reconvened in executive session at 4:35 p.m. at the Alumni House, Silver Pavilion, 61 Summit Street, Burlington, Vermont.

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MEMBERS ABSENT: Kevin “Coach” Christie, John Dineen, Interim President Patricia Prelock, Monique Priestley, Governor Phil Scott, and Samuel Young

ALSO PARTICIPATING: Deputy General Counsel John Collins and Chief of Staff to the President Jonathan D’Amore

¹ Joined the meeting by phone.

² Departed the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

The meeting recessed at 6:55 p.m.

On Saturday, February 1, 2025, the meeting reconvened in executive session at 7:45 a.m. at the Courtyard Marriott, 25 Cherry Street, Burlington, Vermont.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Ron Lumbra, Vice Chair Cynthia Barnhart, Secretary Catherine Toll, Susan Brengle, Frank Cioffi, Matt Devost¹, R. Stanton Dodge, Carolyn Dwyer, Katelynn Giroux, Jodi Goldstein, Jennifer Ha, Stephanie Jerome, Donald McCree, Carol Ode, Ed Pagano, Kristina Pisanelli, Monique Priestley, Lucy Rogers², Shap Smith, and Tristan Toleno

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kevin “Coach” Christie, John Dineen, Interim President Patricia Prelock, Governor Phil Scott, and Samuel Young

ALSO PARTICIPATING: Deputy General Counsel John Collins and Chief of Staff to the President Jonathan D’Amore

¹ Joined the meeting by phone.

² Joined the meeting at 7:58 a.m.

The meeting was re-opened to the public at 10:41 a.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Lumbra, Chair