

**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 meeting on Monday, August 13, 2018, at 1:00 p.m., in 427A Waterman Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair David Daigle*, Vice Chair Ron Lumbra*, Secretary Donna Sweaney*, President Thomas Sullivan*, Frank Cioffi*, Bernard Juskiewicz*, and Don McCree*

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Staff Council Representative Steve Lunna, Faculty Representative Cathy Paris, Graduate Student Senate Representative Joseph Campbell, Student Government Association Representative Ethan Foley, and Foundation Representative President and CEO Shane Jacobson

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT: None

PERSONS ALSO PARTICIPATING: Vice President for Legal Affairs & General Counsel and Senior Advisor to the President Sharon Reich Paulsen, and Vice President for Executive Operations Gary Derr

*Joined by phone.

Chair David Daigle called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Daigle entertained a motion to approve the minutes from the July 3, 2018 meeting. The motion was made, seconded and it was voted to approve the minutes as presented.

Opening Remarks

Chair Daigle began by explaining that the purpose of this meeting is to approve the Presidential Search Committee co-chairs as a start to the overall presidential search process. This process is in follow-up to President Tom Sullivan's August 6, 2018 announcement that he will be stepping down as president effective summer of 2019.

Chair Daigle acknowledged and thanked President Sullivan for his extraordinary accomplishments. He emphasized that President Sullivan began his term with a clear plan for his presidency, which he meticulously executed, resulting in the University being in a much stronger position today.

President Sullivan explained that the timing of his departure, and hiring of his successor, will align nicely with the opportunity to revisit and refresh the University's Strategic Action Plan.

Chair Daigle added that one of President Sullivan's accomplishments was the talent that he recruited to the University for key leadership positions.

Resolution Approving Appointment of Presidential Search Committee Co-Chairs

Chair Daigle next discussed the presidential search process, beginning with the proposal to include Vice Chair Ron Lumbrá, and himself, as co-chairs of the Presidential Search Committee. He recalled the success of the 2011 presidential search and noted that the current search will follow the 2011 process in many ways.

Vice President for Executive Operations Gary Derr provided further details about the process for nominating faculty, staff and students to serve on the Presidential Search Committee, noting that the Committee membership will be approved by the Board on September 8, 2018. A campus-wide notification of the Committee membership and further details about the search process will be sent following the meeting.

Secretary Donna Sweaney, who was a member of the 2011 Presidential Search Committee, commended Vice President Derr for his management of the successful 2011 process and expressed gratitude that he would once again be managing the search process for UVM's next president.

Chair Daigle presented the following resolution for approval:

Resolution Approving Appointment of Presidential Search Committee Co-Chairs

RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee hereby approves the appointment of Board Chair David Daigle and Board Vice Chair Ron Lumbrá to serve as Co-Chairs of the Search Committee for the President.

An opportunity for further discussion was offered. There being none, a motion was made, seconded and the resolution was unanimously approved as presented.

Executive Session

At 1:20 p.m., Chair Daigle 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. The motion was made, seconded and approved.

Chair Daigle indicated that no action was anticipated following the session and that it would last approximately five minutes. Everyone was excused from the meeting with the exception Vice Presidents Sharon Reich Paulsen and Gary Derr. President Sullivan was excused from the executive session.

At 1:33 p.m., the meeting was re-opened to the public.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

David A. Daigle, Chair