

**Minutes of the VSC Board of Trustees Executive Committee meeting Monday
January 4, 2016—APPROVED May 16, 2016**

The Vermont State Colleges Board of Trustees Executive Committee conducted a Committee meeting on Monday, January 4, 2016 at the Office of the Chancellor in Montpelier, Vermont.

The following were present:

Committee Members: Tim Jerman, Karen Luneau, Linda Milne, Martha O'Connor

Office of the Chancellor:

Tricia Coates, Director of External & Governmental Affairs

Elaine Sopchak, Executive Assistant to the Chancellor

Jeb Spaulding, Chancellor

Chair O'Connor called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. The Committee approved agenda additions of discussion of the NEBHE Awards Dinner, the next regular Board meeting, and a mid-year evaluation of the Chancellor.

A. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION

1. Approval of the minutes of the August 10, 2015 Executive Committee meeting

Trustee Jerman moved and Trustee Luneau seconded the approval of the minutes. The minutes were approved by Trustees O'Connor, Jerman, and Luneau. Trustee Milne abstained.

Chair O'Connor informed the Committee that a new trustee, Aly Richards, has been appointed to replace Heidi Pelletier, who stepped down in the fall. Trustee Richards will be a member of the Finance and Facilities Committee.

The New England Board of Higher Education has chosen former Johnson State College President Barbara Murphy to receive its Eleanor McMahon Lifetime Achievement Award. Lyndon State College's Atmospheric Sciences Program will receive NEBHE's Vermont State Merit Award. The awards ceremony is scheduled for March 4th in Boston. The VSC has purchased a table for this event. Trustees who wish to attend will receive overnight accommodations but will not receive travel reimbursement.

The Committee discussed arrangements and plans for the upcoming regular Board meeting scheduled for Friday and Saturday, February 12th and 13th at Johnson State College. Overnight

accommodations will be at the Sunset Motor Inn in Morrisville. Details and agenda will be finalized soon.

Chancellor Spaulding updated the Committee that there has been no change in enrollment figures since what was reported at the November Finance and Facilities Committee meeting. The colleges are all on or ahead of budget at this time.

Trustee Milne moved to enter executive session including Chancellor Spaulding to discuss the evaluation of the Chancellor. Trustee Luneau seconded. The Committee approved the motion unanimously and entered executive session at 2 p.m. The Committee exited executive session at 2:20 p.m. and took no action. The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.