

August 11, 2016

TO: Long Range Planning Committee
Jerry Diamond, Chair
Lynn Dickinson
Kraig Hannum
Church Hinds
Tim Jerman
Karen Luneau, Vice Chair
Martha O'Connor

FROM: Jeb Spaulding, Chancellor



RE: Long Range Planning Committee Special Meeting on August 24, 2016

The Long Range Planning Committee of the VSC Board of Trustees will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, August 24th starting at 12:30 p.m. in Room 101 at the Chancellor's Office in Montpelier. The agenda and materials are attached.

I can be reached at (802) 224-3036 if you have any questions.

Thank you.

cc: VSC Board of Trustees
Council of Presidents

**VERMONT STATE COLLEGES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**

August 24, 2016 at 12:30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the minutes of the July 20, 2016 meeting
3. Update on system-wide efficiency efforts
4. Update on progress of strategic alliance between CCV/VTC
5. Update on development of report regarding possible unification of JSC and LSC
6. Other business
7. Comments from the public

Unapproved minutes of the Long Range Planning Committee meeting Wednesday, July 20, 2016

Note: These are unapproved minutes, subject to amendment and/or approval at the subsequent meeting.

The Vermont State Colleges Board of Trustees Long Range Planning Committee conducted a meeting Wednesday, July 20, 2016 in Hoff Hall at Castleton University.

Committee members present: Jerry Diamond (Chair), Kraig Hannum, Church Hindes, Tim Jerman, Martha O'Connor

Absent: Lynn Dickinson, Karen Luneau

Other Trustees: Morgan Easton, Bill Lippert, Chris Macfarlane, Aly Richards

Chancellor's Office Staff: Tricia Coates, Director of External & Governmental Affairs
Sheilah Evans, System Controller/Senior Director of Financial Operations
Bill Reedy, General Counsel
Elaine Sopchak, Executive Assistant to the Chancellor
Jeb Spaulding, Chancellor
Steve Wisloski, Chief Financial Officer
Sophie Zdatny, Associate General Counsel
Yasmine Ziesler, Chief Academic & Academic Technology Officer

College Presidents: Joe Bertolino, Elaine Collins, Joyce Judy, Dan Smith, Dave Wolk

From the Colleges: Martha Coulter, Wellness Center Director, Castleton
Scott Dikeman, Dean of Administration, Castleton
Gillian Galle, Professor, Castleton
Loren Loomis Hubbell, Dean of Administration, LSC
Laura Jakubowski, Director of Finance, Castleton
Billy Langlois, Staff Federation Chair, Castleton
Louis Palmer, Professor, Castleton
Jillian Rader, Area Coordinator, Castleton
Sharron Scott, Dean of Administration, JSC
Jonathan Spiro, Academic Dean, Castleton
Sharon Twigg, Interim Academic Dean, JSC

Beth Walsh, VSCUP President
Jeff Weld, Dean of Advancement, Castleton
Shaun Williams, Area Coordinator, Castleton

Chair Diamond called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm.

1. Approval of the minutes of the May 19, 2016 meeting

Trustee Jerman moved and Trustee Hindes seconded the approval of the minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously.

2. Consider the Chancellor's recommendations for next steps regarding alliances between Johnson State College and Lyndon State College, as well as Community College of Vermont and Vermont Technical College

Chancellor Spaulding shared with the Committee his recommendations for the unification of Johnson State and Lyndon State Colleges, and for a more informal collaboration between Vermont Tech and Community College of Vermont. Chair Diamond invited Presidents Bertolino and Collins to share their comments. Trustee Jerman moved and Trustee Hannum seconded the resolution *Chancellor's Recommendation to Unify Johnson State College and Lyndon State College*. Chair Diamond invited comments from the public.

Beth Walsh stated she feels unification is an appropriate solution for northern Vermont. As union president she offered assistance in collecting staff input. Loren Loomis Hubbell stated that the efficiencies to be gained will allow the colleges to focus on their missions and to focus their resources on students. She emphasized that unification should result in two colleges with shared leadership, not one college with a satellite, and asked for patience with governance processes and transition. Jonathan Spiro stated he applauds the unification plan.

The Committee voted unanimously to approve the resolution and recommend it to the full Board.

3. Other Business

There was no other business.

4. Comments from the Public

There were no further comments from the public.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:01 p.m.