

Vermont State Colleges Board of Trustees – Executive Committee
Zoom Meeting/YouTube Stream¹
Thursday, October 5, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Public Comment – [Sign Up for VSC Board of Trustees Public Comment \(google.com\)](#) ²
3. Approval of Minutes of September 26, 2023 meeting
4. Ratification of Resolution 2023-009, *Authorizing Sale of EBS Licenses*
5. Discussion of any public updates regarding the upcoming period of transition
6. Executive Session - discussion about personnel
7. Other Business
8. Adjourn

Meeting Materials:

- Minutes of September 26, 2023 committee meeting
- Resolution 2023-009

¹ The livestream link is on YouTube at www.vsc.edu/live

² Note: To make a comment you must be logged into the live session at <https://www.vsc.edu/botzoom>. Please test your microphone and camera before logging into the session.

Minutes of the VSCS Board of Trustees Executive Committee meeting held Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at 8:30 a.m. via Zoom - UNAPPROVED

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

The Vermont State Colleges Board of Trustees Executive Committee met on Tuesday, September 26, 2023.

Committee members present: Lynn Dickinson (Chair), Megan Cluver (Vice Chair), Karen Luneau, David Silverman

Chancellor's Office staff: Jen Porrier, Administrative Director
Sophie Zdatny, Chancellor

Shared Services: Donny Bazluke, Network/Security Analyst
Sarah Chambers, Director, Learning Technologies
Sharron Scott, Chief Financial/Operating Officer
Meg Walz, Director, Project Management

From the Colleges: Beth Walsh, Co-President VSCUP, Vermont State University

1. Chair Dickinson called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
2. Public Comment

Beth Walsh provided a comment regarding the difficulty in filling open positions at VTSU and being able to offer salaries that will attract good applicants, particularly in the areas of public safety and athletics trainers. This is resulting in current staff in those areas being unable to take days off, and events needing to be canceled due to inadequate staff. Ms. Walsh reiterated her position that the Chancellor's position should not be filled in lieu of staffing and funding these other needed positions.

Chancellor Zdatny replied that the administration is aware of the situation with public safety and the athletic trainers as this has been an ongoing issue since before the pandemic. These are issues that are currently being addressed.

Trustee Silverman added that these are also concerns being felt in other industries across the board.

3. Approval of September 14, 2023 Minutes

Trustee Silverman moved and Trustee Luneau seconded the motion to approve the minutes for the September 14, 2023 meetings. The motion was approved unanimously.

4. Discussion about scheduling regular meetings of the Committee through the upcoming period of transition

The committee members and Chancellor discussed an upcoming meeting schedule for the committee and agreed on some dates.

5. Executive Session

At 8:45 a.m. Trustee Cluver moved that the Committee enter executive session pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(3) to discuss the employment of a public official. Along with the members of the Board present at the meeting, the Committee invited the Chancellor and the Chief Financial and Operating Officer to attend. Trustee Luneau seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

The committee exited executive session at 9:37 a.m. and took no action.

6. Other Business

There was no other business.

Chair Dickinson adjourned the meeting at 9:38 a.m.

VERMONT STATE COLLEGES SYSTEM

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

RESOLUTION 2023 –009

Authorizing Sale of EBS Licenses

WHEREAS, Vermont State Colleges (VSC) owns three Educational Broadband Service (EBS) spectrum licenses (Licenses); and

WHEREAS, Having determined that sale of the Licenses was in its best interest, VSC undertook actions to publicly market the Licenses in accordance with Policy 427; and

WHEREAS, After due diligence, VSC is prepared to accept a bid for the three Licenses; and therefor be it

RESOLVED, That the Board authorizes Vermont State Colleges to enter into an agreement to sell the Licenses to the top bidder (Buyer) for a gross sales price of no less than \$2,000,000; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chancellor of the Vermont State Colleges or her designee, or the Chief Financial and Operating Officer or her designee is hereby authorized to negotiate terms and conditions consistent with the foregoing for sale of the Licenses, and enter into an Asset Purchase Agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the VSC Chancellor or her designee, or the VSC Chief Financial and Operating Officer or her designee is hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Board all documents, agreements, and instruments, and to perform such acts as may be deemed necessary to consummate the Asset Purchase Agreement with Buyer, and to deliver the closing documents and take all other actions necessary to complete the transaction; and be it further

RESOLVED, That all acts to date of these named officers relating to the Licenses and to the business aspects of the Licenses are hereby ratified and approved.

Be It Approved: September 19, 2023

Eileen M Dickinson

Eileen “Lynn” Dickinson, Chair, Board of Trustees