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### PURPOSE

The Vermont State Colleges System (VSCS) is committed to transparent and responsive strategic planning. Given the rapid change occurring in public higher education, including within the VSCS, regular communication and coordination of strategic planning efforts at individual institutions and across the System is important.

### SCOPE

This policy applies to all VSCS member institutions and the Office of the Chancellor. The Chancellor and each President is responsible for implementing this policy and gathering input from the VSC Board of Trustees and other key stakeholders.

### STATEMENT OF POLICY

The VSCS Board of Trustees plays an important role in defining the over-all strategic vision of the System and its member institutions. Recognizing the value of shared governance particularly in areas of academic concern, the Board's input and review of strategic plans is an important component of its oversight role.

### *VSCS:*

The Board of Trustees shall review the mission, vision, and strategic priorities of the VSCS every three years. The Chancellor is responsible for updating the system priorities at appropriate intervals and presenting any revisions to the Board for final approval.

The mission, vision, and strategic priorities of the VSCS shall describe common system goals and strategies to implement those goals. The VSCS mission, vision, and strategic priorities shall inform the mission, vision, and strategic planning at each of the member institutions in the system.

*Member Institutions:*

Each President shall establish an institution-specific strategic planning process that includes both short-term and long-term planning. All revisions to institution mission and vision statements shall be forwarded to the Board for final approval.

Presidents will provide regular updates to the Board on any major strategic planning initiatives at their respective institutions and present final draft plans of their strategic plans to the Board for final approval. The Office of the Chancellor shall maintain an updated list of approved strategic plans.

On an annual basis, the Chancellor and Presidents shall report to the Board progress on strategies and objectives as outlined in System and institutional strategic plans.

Signed by:



Jeb Spaulding, Chancellor