

MEMORANDUM

TO: Lynn Dickinson, Chair
Megan Cluver, Vice-Chair
Marc Mihaly, Secretary
David Silverman, Treasurer
Gwen Bailey-Rowe
Betsy Ide Bloomer
Janette Bombardier
Coleen Bruyette

David Durfee
Bob Flint
Shirley Jefferson
Jim Masland
Amelia Vlahogiannis
Gov. Phil Scott
Sue Zeller

FROM: Dr. Elizabeth Mauch, Chancellor 

DATE: January 8, 2026

SUBJECT: VSC Board of Trustees Meeting January 12, 2026

In preparation for the board's discussion on January 12, please see in the accompanying materials the Board of Trustee meeting minutes of November 3, 2025. Following the call to order, public comment, and the approval of the minutes, the committee will discuss the renewal David Silverman's trustee appointment. Following any additional business the committee will adjourn.

Note: Please be advised that the committee has fifteen members. The quorum to start the meeting and to take any action is eight members of the committee.

The committee assistant may be reached at (802) 224-3021 for any questions.

Cc: Board of Trustees
Presidents

VSC Board of Trustees
Monday, January 12, 2026
10:00 a.m. or immediately following adjournment of the Nominating
Committee
Zoom Meeting¹/YouTube Stream²

This is a remote meeting with the option for the public to join in-person at VTSU Williston (201 Lawrence Place, Williston, VT 05495), Room 7130. Contact 802-224-3021 for more information.

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Public Comment
3. Vote: Approval of November 3&4, 2025 meeting minutes
4. Vote: Renewal of Trustee Appointment - David Silverman
5. Report: Executive Committee
6. Other Business

MATERIALS

1. November 3&4, 2025 meeting minutes

Minutes of the VSC Board of Trustees meeting held Monday & Tuesday, November 3rd & 4th 2025 at Woodstock Inn & Resort, Woodstock, Vermont – UNAPPROVED

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

The VSC Board of Trustees met on Monday & Tuesday, November 3 & 4, 2025 at Woodstock Inn & Resort, Woodstock, Vermont.

Committee Members: Lynn Dickinson (Chair), Megan Cluver (Vice-Chair), Janette Bombardier (11:21 a.m.), Marc Mihaly (Secretary), David Silverman (Treasurer), Gwen Bailey-Rowe, Betsy Ide Bloomer, David Durfee, Bob Flint, Shirley Jefferson, Jim Masland, Amelia Vlahogiannis, Sue Zeller

Absent: Coleen Bruyette

Chancellor: Elizabeth Mauch

Presidents: David Bergh, VTSU
Joyce Judy, CCV

Other Attendees: Nolan Atkins, VTSU Provost
Kelley Beckwith, VTSU VP of Student Success
Mary Brodsky, Dean of People and Culture
Jamia Danzy, VTSU Dean of Students
Kayla Dewey, Executive Assistant
Ernie Fernandez, VTSU Dir. of Inst. Advancement
Wilson Garland, Chief Information Officer
Lisa Hayward, VTSU AVP Online Program Admin. (online)
Jason Kaiser, IT Support (online)
Nicole Mace, CCV Dean of Administration
Jason Mann, Consultant (online) (for a portion of the afternoon)
Katie Mobley, CCV Dean Enroll. and Comm. Rel.
Angie Albeck, CCV Associate Dean of Students
Maurice Ouimet, VTSU VP for Admissions and Enroll. Services
James Page, Consultant
Hannah Reid, VTSU Assoc. VP of Comms., Alum., and External Affairs
Kathryn Santiago, Associate General Counsel
Sharron Scott, Chief Financial and Operating Officer
Toby Stewart, Controller
Patty Turley, General Counsel
Meg Walz, Deputy Chief Information Officer
David Wolk, Honoree

Lyn Wolk, Spouse to David Wolk

1. Call to Order

Chair Dickinson called the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m.

2. 2025-009 Resolution Granting President Emeritus Status to David Wolk

Chair Dickinson read the resolution to award President Emeritus status to David Wolk. President Bergh expressed his high regard for David Wolk and commended his legacy of bold and creative leadership, especially to the Castleton campus community.

Chair Dickinson moved and Trustee Masland seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2025-009 granting President Emeritus status to David Wolk. The motion was approved unanimously.

David Wolk offered brief remarks reflecting on his work for the Vermont State Colleges, the honor he experiences from this vote, and he thanked the board.

The Board went into recess at 10:38 a.m. The Board resumed at 10:52 a.m.

3. Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

4. Approval of September 26, 2025 minutes

Trustee Zeller moved and Trustee Cluver seconded the motion to approve the September 26, 2025 minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Report: Audit & Risk Management Committee

Chair Dickinson invited Committee Chair Zeller to provide the report. Committee Chair Zeller reported that Audit & Risk Management met on October 30, 2025, during which time they met with the auditors and recommended approval of the Audited Financial statements for FY 2025. During that meeting, they also heard a report on whistleblower activity for FY 2025 from Associate General Counsel Santiago, none of which involved fraud.

Trustee Jefferson moved and Trustee Bloomer seconded the motion to approve Board Resolution 2025-010 to accept the FY2025 Audited Financial Statements. The motion was approved unanimously.

6. Report: Education, Personnel, and Student Life Committee

Chair Dickinson invited Committee Chair Cluver to provide the report. Committee Chair Cluver reported that the Education, Personnel, and Student Life Committee met earlier in the month and

took up the Resolution for David Wolk and received an update from Provost Atkins on Policy 109 which involves academic program array across the institutions. Provost Atkins provided a preview of work that will be presented again in February.

7. Report: Executive Committee

Chair Dickinson reported that the Executive Committee met on October 6th. At this meeting, the Trustees received an update from Chief Financial and Operating Officer Sharron Scott regarding the VTSU President Search and Screen Committee. The committee also entered executive session to discuss employment of a public employee and to receive confidential attorney-client communications.

Chair Dickinson invited the VTSU President Search and Screen Committee Chair, Trustee Durfee, to provide a brief report on the progress of the committee's work. Trustee Durfee reported that the work is progressing on schedule and aiming to have a new president named in the Spring. Committee Chair Durfee requested nominations from Trustees.

8. Report: Finance & Facilities Committee

Chair Dickinson invited Committee Chair Silverman to provide the report for the meeting which concluded earlier that morning. He reported that the committee heard proposals to increase the tuition for VTSU and CCV and unanimously agreed to recommend them to the full board. They also heard an update on the VSC Composite Financial Index, first quarter results from FY2026, and the progress on a new purchasing standards policy.

Trustee Silverman moved and Trustee Zeller seconded the motion to approve CCV and VTSU tuition & fees and room & board for AY 2026 – 27. The motion was approved unanimously.

9. Update: Enterprise Resource Planning Implementation

Chair Dickinson invited Chief Information Officer (CIO) Garland to provide the report. CIO Garland reviewed the overall project timeline and provided an update on accomplished milestones, challenges, and next priorities. He reported that the team's work is progressing as planned.

The board went into recess at 12:05. The board resumed at 1:35.

10. Presentation: Secondary Education Continuum from Access Days to the Free Degree Promise Program

Chair Dickinson invited CCV Dean of Enrollment and Community Relations, Katie Mobley to present. Dean Mobley reviewed the programs and initiatives that expose and engage high school students in higher education, which generated a robust discussion.

11. Presentation: Accumulating & Sharing Data for Better Decision-Making

Chair Dickinson invited VTSU President David Bergh and staff to present. VP for Student Success, Kelley Beckwith, presented that their team had been collecting data and developing key performance indicators to create goals, inform marketing efforts, and measure success. Provost Atkins outlined specific strategic goals and their strategy for continuous improvement. Associate VP for Communications, Alumni and External Affairs, Hannah Reid, presented on marketing and data collection strategies.

12. Presentation Distance education

Chair Dickinson invited Chancellor Mauch to introduce the topic. Chancellor Mauch reported that she had put together a team of experts to help advise on developing VSC's online education with the purpose of ensuring every Vermonter has access to higher education including those who are unable to travel to one of VSC's campuses or learning centers. VSC engaged as a consultant Senior Marketing Executive and Growth Strategist, Jason Mann, who joined remotely. He presented on some foundational research on the online learning landscape, his organization's assessment of VSC, provided a project timeline, and immediate recommendations for building online at VSC.

13. Presentation: Conflict of Interest

Chair Dickinson invited General Counsel Turley to provide a refresher on the system's Conflict of Interest policy. General Counsel Turley reviewed the relevant policies and requested signature of the Conflict of Interest form.

The board went into recess at 4:15 p.m. The board resumed November 4th at 8:37 a.m.

14. Call to Order

Chair Dickinson called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m.

15. Executive session

At 8:39 a.m. Vice-Chair Dickinson moved and Trustee Zeller seconded a motion for the VSC Board of Trustees to enter executive session, pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(A) to discuss contracts, § 313(a)(1)(E) to discuss civil litigation, and § 313(a)(1)(F) to receive confidential attorney client communications and § 313(a)(3) to discuss employment of a public employee and § 313(a)(6) to discuss records which are not public. Along with the members of the Board present at this meeting, in its discretion, the Board invited the following to attend different sections of the executive session: the VSC Chancellor, the CCV and VTSU Presidents, the VSC Chief Financial and Operating Officer, the VSC General Counsel, the VSC Chief Information Officer, Jim Page, and Jason Mann.

The board exited executive session at 11:57 a.m. and took no action.

16. Adjourn

Chair Dickinson adjourned the meeting at 11:57 a.m.

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