

**Minutes of the VSC Board of Trustees' Meeting held Monday, January 12, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom APPROVED**

The VSC Board of Trustees met on Monday, January 12, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom.

Trustees present: Lynn Dickinson (Chair), Megan Cluver (Vice Chair), Betsy Ide Bloomer, Janette Bombardier, Coleen Bruyette, Gwen Bailey-Rowe, David Durfee, Bob Flint, Shirley Jefferson, Marc Mihaly, David Silverman, Amelia Vlahogiannis, Sue Zeller

Absent: Jim Masland

Chancellor: Elizabeth Mauch

Presidents: David Bergh, VTSU  
Joyce Judy, CCV

Other Attendees: Pamela Billings, VTSU Coordinator of Disability Services  
Mary Brodsky, Dean of People and Culture  
Anne Buttimer, CCV Faculty  
Rich Clark, VTSU Faculty  
Kayla Dewey, Executive Assistant  
Barb Flathers, VTSU Executive Assistant  
Lisa Gerlach, AFT Vermont  
Jason Kaiser, IT Support  
David Kupferman, VTSU Dean  
Krystina Laychak, VTSU Faculty  
Sharron Scott, Chief Financial and Operating Officer  
Ashley Stackowitz, VTSU Staff  
Patty Turley, General Counsel  
Beth Walsh, VTSU Staff  
Denise Wessig, VTSU Johnson Alumni Council President  
Richard Wright, VTSU Staff

On-site attendees: A physical meeting location was designated at VTSU Williston (201 Lawrence Place, Williston, VT 05495), Room 7130. No attendees were present.

1. Call to Order

Chair Dickinson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Comments from the Public

Rich Clark shared safety concerns on campus particularly with management of ice forming on stairs and walkways at VTSU Castleton. Krystina Laychak shared similar concerns with icy conditions at the VTSU Williston campus. President Bergh agreed to follow up with the concerns.

3. Approval of November 3 & 4, 2025 Meeting Minutes

**Trustee Zeller moved and Trustee Jefferson seconded the motion to approve the minutes of November 3 & 4, 2025. The motion was approved unanimously.**

4. Vote: Renewal of Trustee Appointment for David Silverman

Chair Dickinson invited Trustee Bombardier to report on the Nominating Committee meeting. Trustee Bombardier shared that the committee met just prior to this meeting and nominated David Silverman to a four-year term as a board-appointed trustee.

**Trustee Vlahogiannis moved and Trustee Bombardier seconded the motion to appoint David Silverman as trustee for the term beginning March 1, 2026 and ending February 28, 2030. The motion was approved unanimously.**

5. Report: Executive Committee

Chair Dickinson provided the report from the Executive Committee which met on December 11, 2025. The committee discussed personnel and received an update from Committee Chair Durfee on the progress of the VTSU President Search & Screen Committee.

Chair Dickinson invited Trustee Durfee to provide further updates to the board. Trustee Durfee shared that the committee is on schedule and in the process of completing initial candidate interviews.

6. Other business

Chair Dickinson invited Chancellor Mauch to provide clarification regarding the funding for Johnson campus projects. Chancellor Mauch shared that the Vermont State Colleges' project to renovate Martinetti Hall into a Resiliency Center for the town and village of Johnson was not approved in this grant cycle. However, VSC continues to seek other funding opportunities. VSC is working with the Johnson Health Center on efforts to relocate them to the Johnson Campus.

Downstreet's grant application to purchase and renovate the McClelland Building at Johnson was approved as part of the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) grant programs. This project, funded in part by congressionally designated spending, will renovate the McClelland building into senior housing. The VSC is working closely with Downstreet on this project.

Trustee Silverman noted that he would schedule an update on VTSU campus plans addressing inclement weather at the next Finance and Facilities committee meeting.

Chair Dickinson adjourned the meeting at 10:21 a.m.