

Commission on the Future of Public Education in Vermont – Public Input Session

Monday, November 4, 2024, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

St. Albans Town Educational Center Library 169 South Main Street, St. Albans, VT 05478 Virtual via Microsoft Teams

Meeting Call In: 1-802-552-8456 Conference ID: 565 022 007# Click here to join the meeting

Per H.887, Section 1(a), a Commission on the Future of Public Education in Vermont is created. The purpose is to study the provision of education in Vermont and make recommendations for a statewide vision for Vermont's public education system to ensure that all students are afforded substantially equal educational opportunities in an efficient, sustainable, and stable education system. The Commission shall also make recommendations for the strategic policy changes necessary to make Vermont's educational vision a reality for all Vermont students.

Members: Meagan Roy, Chair, Census-Based Funding Advisory Group; Peter Conlon, Representative Addison-2 District; Ann Cummings, Senator Washington District; Zoie Saunders, Interim Secretary of Education; Craig Bolio, Tax Commissioner; Jennifer Deck Samuelson, State Board of Education; Jay Nichols, Vermont Principals' Association (VPA); Michael Leichliter, Vermont Superintendents Association (VSA); Jeff Fannon, Vermont National Education Association (VTNEA); Nicole Mace, Vermont School Boards Association (VSBA); Elizabeth Jennings, Vermont Association of School Business Officials (VASBO); John Castle, Vermont Rural Education Collaborative; Oliver Olsen, Vermont Independent Schools Association (VISA).

5:00 p.m. Call to Order, Welcome and Approval of October 21, 2024 Meeting Minutes

5:05 p.m. Overview of the Evening

Purpose and Charge of the Commission

5:20 p.m.: Current Education Context in Vermont

Statutory Responsibility and Current Context

Input Questions:

What are the strengths of public education in Vermont? What are some of the challenges of our current system? What suggestions do you have for the Commission?

6:00 p.m. Current Education Finance System

Overview

FY25 Budget Challenges and Cost Drivers

Input Questions:

What questions do you have about the finance system? What suggestions do you have about the finance system?

6:45 p.m. What Else? 6:55 p.m. Next Steps 7:00 p.m. Adjourn