



2021 VPA Appointments and Standing Committees

Appointments

VT Downtown Board

Represents VPA on the Vermont Downtown Board.

Downtown Board Representative: Chip Sawyer (St. Albans)

Board Alternate: Rod Francis (Norwich)

VT Public Space Awards Jury

Represents VPA on awards jury, in collaboration with VT-ASLA

VPA Liaison: Eric Vorwald, AICP (Winooski)

Committees

NNECAPA Conference 2021

Works with NNECAPA Chapter members to host the annual NNECAPA Conference, which is anticipated to be held in Burlington, VT in October 2021.

VT Section Representative: David E. White, FAICP (Burlington)

Committee Members: Andrew Graminski (Brattleboro), Eric Vorwald (Winooski), Sarah Hadd (Colchester), Sharron Murray (consultant based in Chittenden Co.), Faith Ingulsrud (retired), Sue Westa (Windham RPC), Ravi Venkataraman (Richmond), Regina Mahony (CCRPC), Kati Gallagher (MRVPD), Chris Damiani (GMT), Jim Donovan (retired)

NNECAPA Executive Committee Members: Sarah DelGizzo (MAP), Donna Benton (NHPA), Amanda Bunker (NHPA), Jeff Levine (MAP), Sarah Marchant (NHPA), Nancy Kilbride (NNECAPA Chapter Administrator)

Professional Development

Organizes spring and fall conferences/workshops for VPA, participates in the Education & Training Collaborative, and researches other training opportunities for professional planners.

Chair: Ravi Venkataraman, AICP (Richmond)

Committee Members: Clare Rock (CVRPC), Steve Lotspeich (Waterbury), Darren Schibbler (Essex), Chris Damiani (GMT), Cymone Haiju (Milton)



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The Vermont Planners Association (VPA) is a non-profit advocacy and educational organization of planners and related professionals. We are dedicated to advancing community planning in Vermont at the local, regional, and state levels, to foster vibrant communities and a healthy environment.

Legislative

Keeps the membership apprised of proposed legislation, prepares position papers, and if necessary, assists the Legislative Liaison in testifying in front of committees in the Vermont Legislature.

VT Legislative Liaison: *vacant*

Chair: Alex Weinhagen (Hinesburg)

Committee Members: Charlie Baker (CCRPC), Darren Schibler (Essex), Eric Vorwald (Winooski), Faith Ingulsrud (retired), Kate McCarthy (VNRC), Matt Boulanger (Williston), Peg Elmer Hough (retired), Peter Gregory (TRORC), Regina Mahony (CCRPC), Rod Francis (Norwich), Seth Jensen (LCPC), Sharon Murray (Consultant based in Chittenden Co.), Steve Lotspeich (Waterbury), Thomas Kennedy (SWCRPC)

Awards

Collects annual nominations for VPA's awards program, coordinates an awards jury, and plans an Awards celebration and press releases in the spring.

Chair: Cat Bryars, AICP (BCRC)

Committee Members: David Rugh, Esq. (Attorney based in Chittenden Co.), Andrew Graminski (Brattleboro)

Nominating

Recruits nominations from across the state to form a slate of nominees for the VPA Executive Committee for the coming year. Assists NNECAPA with FAICP nominations in alternating years.

Chair:

Committee Members: Sarah Hadd, AICP (Colchester), Kate McCarthy, AICP (VNRC), Sue Westa, AICP (Windham RPC)

David E. White, FAICP to also provide FAICP support to the Committee

Communications

A committee or individual that assists with updating the VPA website, sending messages to the list serve, and writes or solicits stories for the NNECAPA Yankee Planner newsletter.

Chair: Sue Westa, AICP (Windham RPC)