

VERMONT
COMMISSION
ON
NATIVE AMERICAN
AFFAIRS



VCNAA MEETING AGENDA

April 12, 2023

1:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

One National Life Drive, Davis Building – 6th Floor
Calvin Coolidge Conference Room
Montpelier, VT
and

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1. Commission members and guests reminder to sign in (5 min)
2. Meeting protocols & expectations, (5 min)
3. Changes to the Agenda (5 min)
4. Approve February meeting minutes (5 min)
5. Approve March meeting minutes (5 min)
6. Electing new secretary, Melody stepping down (5 min)

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OLD BUSINESS

1. Legislative Caucus 2023 discussions, bills in motion (10 min)
2. Meeting with Governor Scott 3/8/23 – Report (5 min)
3. Act 182 (2022) Land Access & Opportunity Board report (Rich Holschuh) (5 min)
4. Act 142 (2022) Racial Justice Statistics Advisory Council (Stacy Gould) (5 min)
5. Act 154 (2022) Environmental Justice Advisory Council (Rich Holschuh) (5 min)
6. Act 174 (2020) "Vermont State Parks - Abenaki signage" status (5 min)
7. Act 128 (2022) VT Truth & Reconciliation Commission -TRC (Melody Mackin) (20 min)
8. Act 152 (2022) Nondiscriminatory school branding/mascots – status (5 min)
9. Seventh Generation Curriculum Grant Committee report (Jeff Benay) (5 min)
10. Odanak Council invitation to meet for dialogue – status (5 min)

NEW BUSINESS

1. VT Law & Graduate School (VLGS) landgrabu.org presentation (Kate Frederick) (15 min)

2. VT Law & Graduate School Native American Law Student Association (NALSA) presentation (Ben Gray) (10 min)
3. 3/30/23 repudiation of Doctrine of Discovery, local press release, VCNAA vote (15 min)
4. Proposed June VCNAA meeting at Koasek Tribal Gardens (5 min)
5. Tribal representative reports
6. Announcements/Upcoming Events/next meeting
7. Public comments

