

**Christa McAuliffe State House Memorial Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes for Approval 02/15/2024**  
**Tuesday, December 13, 2023**  
**New Hampshire State Library**  
**20 Park Street**  
**Concord, NH 03301**

The Commission convened at 3:08 pm.

Members Present: James Scully, Sen. Rebecca Whitley, Representative Steve Shurtleff, Representative Tim McGough, Jeanne Gerulskis, Bill Dunlap, Linda Frawley, Paul Smith, and Karen Rantamaki (Arrived at 3:27 pm)

Members Absent: Sarah Stewart

James Scully welcomed the group back.

The group voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes from October 24, 2023.

The group went through formal introductions to Benjamin Victor, who joined the commission in person.

James Scully introduced Benjamin Victor who gave an overview of his site visits and research time in State

Mr. Victor noted that there were a lot of factors to consider, but, at the end of the day, everyone wants to do what is best to honor Christa McAuliffe's legacy.

Motion to enter Nonpublic Session made by Chairman Scully seconded by Jeanne Gerulskis.  
Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting.

James Scully - Yes  
Sen. Rebecca Whitley - Yes  
Representative Steve Shurtleff - Yes  
Representative Tim McGough - Yes  
Jeanne Gerulskis - Yes  
Bill Dunlap - Yes  
Linda Frawley - Yes  
Karen Rantamaki - Yes

Motion to leave nonpublic session and return to public session by James Scully seconded by Sarah Stewart.  
Motion: PASSED

The group motioned to seal the minutes from the non-public session.

James Scully - Yes  
Representative Steve Shurtleff - Yes  
Representative Tim McGough - Yes  
Jeanne Gerulskis - Yes  
Bill Dunlap - Yes  
Linda Frawley - Yes  
Paul Smith - Yes

Karen Rantamaki – Yes

The commission voted to approve the general pose and clothing of the statue for Mr. Victor to begin sculpting. The group discussed the potential need for a larger granite base and potential philanthropic options.

Mr. Victor committed to send a production calendar and the group will meet shortly to make final decisions that will impact the design.

The Chairman opened the meeting for public comment.

The meeting concluded at 4:28 pm. The next meeting date is TBD.