

VCU Board of Visitors

V i r g i n i a C o m m o n w e a l t h U n i v e r s i t y

August 12, 2009 **Meeting of the Board of Visitors of** **Virginia Commonwealth University** *Minutes*

A regular meeting of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University was held on Thursday, August 12, 2009, at 12:30 p.m. in the Richmond Salons 1 and 2 located in the University Student Commons at 907 Floyd Avenue.

Present were Mesdames Rhodes (Rector) and Lambert; Messrs. Hurtado, Jackson, Jones, McCandlish, Morse, Robertson, Rosenthal, Siegel and Snead; and Drs. Bersoff, Broaddus, Doswell and Shapiro. Dr. Romano was absent. Also present were Drs. Rao, Corey, Gottfredson, Huff, Macrina, Myles, Moriarty, Retchin, Rhone and Toscan; Messrs. Bennett, Bunce, Gehring, Ream, Ross and Wyeth; and Mesdames Balmer, Currey, Honsharuk, Hulett and Messmer.

The Rector's report was presented.

The Report of the President was presented. Mr. Morse, newly appointed Board member, was introduced. Also introduced were the 2009 Convocation Honorees:

Dr. Evertt Worthington, University Award of Excellence;
Dr. Patricia Slattum, Distinguished Service Award;
Dr. Ena Gross, Distinguished Teaching Award; and
Dr. Rakesh Kukreja, Distinguished Scholarship Award.

Ms. Suzanne Havasy, the 2009 Dorris Douglas Budd Award recipient, was also introduced. Dr. Joseph P. Ornate, Professor and Chair, Department of Emergency Medicine and Medical Director of the Richmond Ambulance Authority, was recognized for the Institute of Medicine Award. Dr. Linda Corey, Faculty Representative to the Board, Ms. Delores Collier, Staff Representative to the Board, and Mr. JT Stranix, alternate Student Representative to the Board, were introduced.

Mr. Jones reported for the Academic and Health Affairs Policy Committee. A report on Degrees Awarded and the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Financial Statement Summary for Fiscal Year 2009 – Eleven Months Ending May 31, 2009, were presented for information.

Dr. Broaddus reported for the Audit and Compliance Committee. The Audit and Compliance Committee Charter was presented. Annually, the Committee reviews its Charter to ensure that the document reflects the full scope of responsibilities appropriate

for the Committee. Based on the Committee's discussion at the May, 2009, meeting and subsequent work with the Committee Chair, the Committee adopted, and recommends to the full Board for its approval, two revisions to the Charter: 1) to eliminate the Department of Assurance Services' responsibility for evaluating Board effectiveness; and 2) to clarify the Committee's responsibility to appoint, replace, reassign, or dismiss the Executive Director of Assurance Services. The Audit and Compliance Committee recommended to the full Board the approval of the Audit and Compliance Committee Charter.

Mr. Jackson reported for the External Relations Committee. The Government Relations and Health Policy Report; the Marketing and Media Report; and the Advancement Division Report were presented for information.

Mr. Siegel reported for the Finance, Investment and Property Committee. The Six Year Capital Plan for 2010-2016 was presented. The plan sets VCU capital priorities for the next six years, although the plan will be modified biennium by biennium. Top project priorities for the 2010-2012 biennium are equipment for the School of Medicine Building (\$12 million), construction on the Classroom Building (\$44 million), a renovation and addition to Cabell Library (\$47.4 million) and funding for renovations of Phase II of Sanger Hall (\$24.3 million). The Finance, Investment and Property Committee recommended to the full Board the approval of the Six Year Capital Plan for 2010-2016.

The Project Plans for 500 Academic Centre were presented. The project renovates an existing single story, 33,432 SF former grocery store building to primarily serve as a temporary general classroom facility in support of undergraduate education at VCU. The Centre will have six classrooms ranging from 50 to 85 seats each, and a small commons area seating up to 50 students. The total budget is \$3,250,000. The Finance, Investment and Property Committee recommended to the full Board the approval of the Project Plans for 500 Academic Centre.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Professional Architectural and Engineering Term Contracts was presented. Facilities Management routinely retains the services of up to 15 architectural and engineering firms on term contracts to provide professional services for construction and renovation projects, feasibility studies, and planning initiatives for small solar value contracts. A single RFP will be issued covering various architectural, engineering or planning disciplines. Depending on the discipline, one to three firms will be selected for each category. The Finance, Investment and Property Committee recommended to the full Board the approval of the Request for Proposals for the Professional Architectural and Engineering Term Contracts.

The following items were presented for information: the Capital Projects Status Report; the University Quarterly Budget Performance Report through June 30, 2009; Notification of Contract Awards for (a.) Harris Hall: One Stop Student Services Center, (b.) Sanger Hall Fire Alarm System Replacement Design-Building; and the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Financial Statement Summary Fiscal Year 2009 – Eleven Months Ending May 31, 2009.

Dr. Doswell reported for the Student Affairs Committee. The following reports were presented for information: the Report of the Student Representative; the Rules and Procedure Annual Report; a Report on the New Student Orientation; the Honor System Annual Report; and a Report on Student Athlete Advising.

On motion made and seconded, the following Consent and Priority Agenda Actions were approved:

Board of Visitors

Minutes of a Joint Meeting of the Board of Visitors and the VCU Health System

Board of Directors held May 14, 2009

Minutes of a Meeting held May 15, 2009

Academic and Health Affairs Policy Committee

Minutes of a Meeting held May 14, 2009

Audit and Compliance Committee

Minutes of a Meeting held May 14, 2009

Audit and Compliance Committee Charter

External Relations Committee

Minutes of a Meeting held May 14, 2009

Finance, Investment and Property Committee

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Six Year Capital Plan

Project Plan for 500 Academic Centre

Request for Proposals: Professional Architectural and Engineering Term

Contracts

Student Affairs Committee

Minutes of a Meeting held May 14, 2009

Mrs. Rhodes reported for the Nominating Committee for Officers and the Executive Committee. The members of the Committee are: Mrs. Rhodes (Chair), Dr. Broaddus, Mr. Siegel and Mrs. Lambert. On motion made and seconded, the following slate of Officers and Executive Committee members were approved:

Thomas G. Snead, Jr., Vice Rector

John C. Doswell, Secretary

Maurice A. Jones, Member-at-Large

Michele A. Romano, Member-at-Large

Thomas G. Rosenthal, Member-at-Large

Stuart C. Siegel, Member-at-Large

On motion made and seconded, the Board accepted the Information Items on the Consent Agenda.

On motion made and seconded, the Board convened into closed session to discuss certain personnel matters and matters relating to the appointment, promotion, performance and salaries of identifiable employees and faculty of VCU, including Faculty Appointments

and Changes in Status and other Personnel Actions; and to discuss the evaluation of performance of departments or schools of VCU where such evaluations necessarily involve discussion of the performance of specific individuals, including Audit Reports of individually identified departments and/or schools; and to consult with legal counsel and receive briefings from staff members regarding certain legal matters and actual or probable litigation including the Report of the General Counsel, where such consultation or briefings in open session would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating position of VCU; to discuss the acquisition or use of real property for public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held property, or of plans for the future of a state institution of higher education which could affect the value of property owned or desirable for ownership by such institution, including the acquisition of property in Chesterfield County, Virginia; and to discuss matters relating to gifts, bequests, and fund-raising activities, including consideration of the Named Funds Report and Facility Naming Recommendations and an update on the development activities, as authorized by Section 2.2-3711 A(1), A(3), A(7) and A(8) of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

Following closed session, on motion made and seconded, the following resolution was approved by roll call vote:

Virginia Commonwealth University hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed session meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed session meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University.

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Mrs. Anne J. G. Rhodes, Rector	X	
Dr. Edward H. Bersoff	X	
Dr. J. Alfred Broaddus, Jr.	X	
Dr. John C. Doswell II	X	
Mr. Arthur D. Hurtado	X	
Mr. Brian K. Jackson	X	
Mr. Maurice A. Jones	X	
Ms. Lillian L. Lambert	X	
Mr. Thomas W. McCandlish	X	
Mr. Gordon C. Morse	X	
Mr. Richard T. Robertson	X	
Dr. Michele A. Romano	Absent	
Mr. Thomas G. Rosenthal	X	
Dr. Carol S. Shapiro	X	
Mr. Stuart C. Siegel	X	
Mr. Thomas G. Snead, Jr.	X	

Vote:

Ayes: 15
Nays: 0

Absent during meeting: 1
Absent during voting: 1

On motion made and seconded, the Board accepted the Report of the President; approved the Faculty Appointments and Changes in Status and other personnel Actions as amended; approved the Named Funds Report and Facility Naming Recommendations; approved the Acquisition of Property in Chesterfield County, Virginia; accepted the Closed Session Committee Reports; and accepted the Report of the General Counsel.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.