

VCU Board of Visitors

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April 29, 2010 **Meeting of the Board of Visitors of** **Virginia Commonwealth University** *Minutes*

A meeting of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University was held on Thursday, April 29, 2010, at 9 a.m. in the University Meeting Center located at 101 North Harrison Street.

The meeting was called to order. Board members present were Mesdames Rhodes (Rector) and Lambert; Messrs. Hurtado, Jackson, Jones, Rosenthal and Snead; and Drs. Bersoff, Doswell and Romano. Drs. Broaddus and Shapiro; and Messrs. McCandlish, Robertson and Siegel were absent. Also present were Drs. Rao, Corey, Macrina, Moriarty, Retchin, Sarrett and Warren; Messrs. Bennett, Bunce, Gehring, Morse, Ream, Ross, Turnage and Wyeth; and Mesdames Atkinson, Balmer, Currey, Honsharuk, Lepley and Taylor.

The Nondiscrimination Resolution was presented. On motion made and seconded, the Board approved the Nondiscrimination Resolution.

The Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration presented a report on Navigating State Budget Cuts and the Loss of Federal Stimulus Funding. The Proposed Tuition and Fees for 2010-11 were also presented. The in-state tuition and mandatory fees for in-state undergraduate students will be \$8,817, an increase of \$1,700. The non-resident undergraduates will pay \$21,949, a \$1,200 increase. The out-of-state rate includes the annual capital outlay fee mandated by the state General Assembly to offset the cost of state debt service paid for academic buildings. The average annual cost for university housing and meal plans will increase \$191 to \$8,526. (The rate is representative of system rates. Student housing and dining plan rates vary.) Student financial aid will be increased substantially and targeted for students with the most need. Federal stimulus funding available for the 2010-2011 academic year will be used to support the increase in financial aid. In addition to the in-state and out-of state undergraduate and graduate tuition and fees and the housing and meal plans, the Board adopted tuition and fees for the first professionals as well as school specific tuition and fees. On motion made and seconded, the Board approved the Proposed Tuition and Fees for 2010-11.

On motion made and seconded, the Board convened into closed session to discuss certain personnel matters involving the performance of identifiable employees or faculty of VCU, and to discuss the evaluation of performance of departments or schools of VCU

where such evaluation will necessarily involve discussion of the performance of specific individuals, and to consult with legal counsel and receive briefings by staff members regarding legal matters and actual or probable litigation where such consultation or briefing in open session would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of VCU, as may be necessary, as authorized by Section 2.2-3711 A(1) and A(7) 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	Left before voting	
Dr. J. Alfred Broaddus, Jr.	Absent	
Dr. John C. Doswell II	X	
Mr. Arthur D. Hurtado	X	

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Mr. Brian K. Jackson	X	
Mr. Maurice A. Jones	X	
Ms. Lillian L. Lambert	X	
Mr. Thomas W. McCandlish	Absent	
Mr. Richard T. Robertson	Absent	
Dr. Michele A. Romano	X	
Mr. Thomas G. Rosenthal	X	
Dr. Carol S. Shapiro	Absent	
Mr. Stuart C. Siegel	Absent	
Mr. Thomas G. Snead, Jr.	X	

Vote:

Ayes: 9

Nays: 0

Absent during meeting: 5

Absent during voting: 6

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.