



Virginia Commonwealth University
Academic and Health Affairs Committee of the Board of Visitors
Minutes

Date: December 12, 2014
Time: 9:20 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.
Location: Student Commons, Richmond Salons I and II, 907 Floyd Avenue,
Richmond, VA

Present: Ms. Jacquelyn E. Stone, Chair
Dr. Robert D. Holsworth, Vice-Chair
Ms. Teresa Carlson
Mr. Franklin Hall
Mr. Sudhakar V. Shenoy
Mr. G. Richard Wagoner, Jr.
Mr. Steve Worley
Mr. William M. Ginther, Rector
Dr. Michael Rao
Ms. Madelyn Wessel
Staff and students from VCU and VCUHS
Member of the press

Unavailable: Ms. Nancy C. Everett
Mr. Michael D. Fraizer

The meeting was called to order at 9:20 a.m. by Ms. Stone and, on motion made and seconded; the Academic and Health Affairs Committee recommended to the full Board the approval of the following consent agenda items:

- Minutes of the Meeting held on September 18, 2014
- Proposal to create a new Doctor of Nursing Practice
- Proposal to close two certificates from the Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs: the post-baccalaureate graduate certificate in Transportation Planning and Analytics and the post-baccalaureate graduate certificate in Planning and Information Systems

The following items were presented for information and after general discussion follow-up requests were made:

- **Status of Proposed Committee Dashboard** was presented by Dr. Wienczek. Dr. Weincek reviewed the progress toward revising the dashboard.
- **BOV Meetings for the Remainder of the Year** was reviewed by Dr. Wienczek with specific focus on the planned themes for the remaining Board of Visitors and Academic and Health Affairs Committee meetings.
- **Work Plans and Updates: Athletics Report** was presented by Mr. McLaughlin who reviewed the updates to the NCAA governance model, which is changing to improve the student-athlete experience, as well as the JLARC report and the potential for legislation on student fees. He also discussed the academic support checks at VCU for student-athletes and the new process in place for designating a new faculty athletic representative.
- **Strategic Updates**
 - **FY16 Budget Development** was presented by Dr. Wienczek. He discussed the process for developing the FY2016 budget for academic affairs and health sciences
 - **Focusing Quest** was presented by Dr. Wienczek. He reviewed the activities in progress toward re-engaging the university community in completing *Quest for Distinction* in 2017.
- **Faculty Representative Report** was presented by Dr. Nicholson and issues of concern to the faculty were discussed.
- **Staff Senate Report** was presented by Mr. Hicks and issues of concern to the staff were discussed.
- **Student Representative Report** was presented by Ms. Jackson and Mr. Halpern. They discussed the student blog and other issues of concern to the students.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.