February 11, 2010
Meeting of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University

Draft minutes

Summary of Actions/Discussions

A regular meeting of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University was held on Thursday, February 11, 2010, at 8 a.m. in the Benjamin J. Lambert III Conference Room located in the Critical Care Hospital at 1213 East Clay Street. Following is a summary of actions taken by the Board of Visitors.

The meeting was called to order. Board members present were Mesdames Rhodes (Rector), and Lambert; Messrs. Hurtado, Jackson, Jones, McCandlish, Morse, Robinson, Rosenthal and Siegel; Drs. Bersoff, Broaddus and Doswell. Drs. Romano and Shapiro; and Mr. Snead were absent.

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

Board of Visitors
  Minutes of a Meeting held November 12, 2009
Academic and Health Affairs Policy Committee
  Minutes of a Meeting held November 11, 2009
Audit and Compliance Committee
  Minutes of a Meeting held November 11, 2009
Policy on Reporting Suspected University Related Misconduct/Noncompliance and Protection from Retaliation
Executive Committee
  Minutes of a Meeting held December 11, 2009
External Relations Committee
  Minutes of a Meeting held November 11, 2009
Finance, Investment and Property Committee
  Minutes of a Meeting held November 11, 2009
Project Plans for the School of Medicine
  Demolition Approval: A.D. Williams Building and Connecting Bridges
  Amendment to Six-Year Capital Plan (2010-2016) for West Grace Street Housing/Laurel Parking Deck and Energy Efficiency Projects
Student Affairs Committee
Minutes of a Meeting held November 11, 2009

PRIORITY AGENDA - ACTION ITEM
Revisions to Board of Visitors’ Bylaws

Dr. Broaddus reported for the Board’s Nominating Committee for Rector. Members are: Drs. Romano (Chair), Broaddus, and Doswell; and Messrs. Hurtado and Jones. The Committee recommended Mrs. Anne J. G. Rhodes be re-elected as Rector of the Board of Visitors for an additional one-year term, effective July 1, 2010.

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 on or adjacent to the Monroe Park Campus; 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, and to discuss matters relating to honorary degrees and special awards, as authorized by Section 2.2-3711 A(1), A(3), A(7), A(8) and A10 of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

Upon reconvening into open session and following a roll call vote on the Resolution of Certification, the Board of Visitors approved the following actions:

- 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 on or adjacent to the Monroe Park Campus, as amended;
• Approved the Recommendations of the Student Affairs Committee for the Board of Visitors Award Selection;
• Approved the Recommendation of the Special Awards Committee
• Accepted the Closed Session Committee Reports;
• Accepted the Report of the General Counsel.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.