UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
BOARD OF VISITORS
MEETING OF THE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 17, 2016
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 17, 2016
3:00 – 5:30 p.m.
President’s Conference Room, Madison Hall

Committee Members:
William H. Goodwin Jr., Chair
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AGENDA

I. OPENING REMARKS BY THE COMMITTEE CHAIR (Mr. Goodwin)

II. ACTION ITEMS (Mr. Goodwin)
   A. Board Manual Revisions
   B. Extension of Lease of Sunnyside

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION
   • To interview and consider candidates for student member of the Board of Visitors, in accordance with Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1) of the Code of Virginia

IV. WRITTEN REPORT
   • Martin Luther King Celebration

V. ATTACHMENT
   • University of Virginia System Organization Chart
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
BOARD OF VISITORS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

BOARD MEETING: February 17, 2016

COMMITTEE: Executive

AGENDA ITEM: II.A. Board Manual Revisions

BACKGROUND: According to the Manual of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia (the Manual), the Executive Committee must review any proposed amendment to the Manual and submit the committee members' views on the amendment to the Board prior to a vote by the Board.

DISCUSSION: The University of Virginia’s Academic Division is preparing for its decennial reaccreditation review by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). During a preliminary review of draft materials on corporate structure, SACSCOC indicated that the University’s corporate structure was unclear. In response, the University revised the materials to state that the University functions as a “system” comprised of the Academic Division, the College at Wise, and the Medical Center, and that the President serves as the principal administrative officer of the University system and as the chief executive officer of the Academic Division. The University also provided the attached organizational chart to illustrate the corporate structure. SACSCOC has indicated that the revisions clarify the corporate structure in advance of the decennial reaccreditation review.

Related concerns were expressed during the recent reaccreditation review of the College at Wise, which is when the University was alerted to the concerns of SACSCOC with respect to the Academic Division. The Board approved revisions to the Manual to resolve the concerns raised during the College at Wise’s review.

The University proposes three Manual revisions to incorporate these clarifications. The first is the addition of a sentence to the first paragraph of the Preface explaining that the University is comprised of three divisions. The second and third revisions modify Section 4.2 and Section 4.22 to indicate that the President is the principal administrative officer of the University and the chief executive officer of the Academic Division.
ACTION REQUIRED: Review by the Executive Committee and approval by the Board of Visitors


WHEREAS, in 2016 and 2017, The University of Virginia will undergo a decennial reaccreditation review by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC); and

WHEREAS, the University has been informed by SACSCOC that its corporate structure must be clarified; and

WHEREAS, the clarification must be reflected in the University’s bylaws, which are contained in the Manual of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia;

RESOLVED, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5.9 of the Manual of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia (the Manual) and the Code of Virginia Section 23-75, and upon recommendation of the Executive Committee, the first paragraph of the Preface of the Manual is revised as follows:

THE UNIVERSITY of Virginia is an educational institution of the Commonwealth of Virginia. It is comprised of three divisions – the Academic Division, the Medical Center, and the College at Wise. The duties and powers of its governing body, the Board of Visitors, are determined and controlled by the statutes of the State, as amended by the General Assembly. The most pertinent statutory provisions are printed in an appendix to this Manual. The portions of the Code of Virginia that treat the general organization and governance of the University may be found in Va. Code Sections 23-62 et seq. The Board itself, through the Manual, largely determines its internal organization, its procedures of operation, and the responsibilities of the administrative officers selected by it to carry out its directives of policy and program.

RESOLVED FURTHER, sections 4.2 and 4.22 of the Manual are revised as follows:

SECTION 4.2 THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY — The President of the University shall be the principal administrative officer—chief executive officer—of the University. The President also
serves as the chief executive officer of the Academic Division. The President shall be a member of the General Faculty and of the faculty of the College and of each of the schools of the University. The President also shall be the principal administrative officer of The University of Virginia’s College at Wise.

SECTION 4.22 POWERS AND DUTIES — As the principal administrative officer of the University and chief executive officer of the Academic Division, the President shall have the following powers and duties:

1. The President shall have responsibility for the operation of the University in conformity with the purposes and policies determined by the Board;
2. The President shall act as adviser to the Board and shall have responsibility for recommending to it for consideration those policies and programs which in the opinion of the President will best promote the interests of the University;
3. The President shall recommend to the Board long-range educational goals and programs and the new degrees that may be best suited to attain those goals and programs;
4. The President shall have the power to establish and modify as he or she deems necessary the internal administrative structure of the University and shall appoint or provide for the appointment of all administrative officers except for the Vice Presidents and the Chancellor of The University of Virginia’s College at Wise, making a report of his or her actions thereon to the Board at the next regular meeting;
5. The President shall serve as President of the Faculty Senate of the University and of the Faculty Senate of The University of Virginia’s College at Wise;
6. The President shall have primary responsibility for the establishment and maintenance of proper relationships with the alumni;
7. The President shall at all times maintain cordial relationships with the students, guarding and protecting their best interests;
8. The President shall use particular efforts to preserve and foster the Honor System;
9. The President shall be responsible for the discipline of students with the power to impose appropriate penalties including expulsion;
10. The President shall submit to the Board each year an annual budget for the operation of the University for
the following fiscal year and shall prepare and submit to the Governor a biennial budget request as required by law or regulation;

11 The President shall promote the development of the endowment funds of the University and shall be authorized to accept any gift or grant subject to the approval of the Governor as required, making a report to the Board of such gifts or grants; and

12 The President shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Board.
EXTENSION OF SUNNYSIDE LEASE

WHEREAS, the Board of Visitors agreed to lease Sunnyside for a period of two years to the Center for Diabetes Technology for the purposes of conducting clinical studies related to artificial pancreas research; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Diabetes Technology has additional trials upcoming that would benefit from an extension of the lease;

RESOLVED, the lease of Sunnyside to the Center for Diabetes Technology is extended until June 30, 2016 on the same terms and conditions that are currently in effect.
Community Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration
January 2016

Prior to President Sullivan’s arrival on Grounds in August 2010, she asked that the Office for Diversity and Equity develop a community-based strategy for celebrating the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

During the past six years, the Community MLK Celebration has provided a unique opportunity for the University to publicly illustrate its commitment to community partnerships around diversity and equity.

The Office for Diversity and Equity engages a broad range of community and University representatives over several months in a collaborative planning process. The Community MLK Celebration Planning Committee is comprised of University representatives from many areas of U.Va., most of whom are appointed by their deans, as well as community members representing a wide array of organizations. Overall, more than 100 individuals — including members of student, academic and civic organizations — participate in planning the celebration.

The theme for the 2016 Community MLK Celebration was "The Call to Higher Ground." Around 25 events were held over the course of two weeks in January, encouraging reflection upon King’s advocacy for Civil Rights and his efforts to serve mankind widely.
Events included panel discussions, interfaith worship services, lectures, film screenings, art exhibits, a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form completion event, award presentations, facilitated discussions, and musical performances. See slideshow: https://youtu.be/KnZisBDYWDk.

The full list of events can be viewed at the following website: http://mlk.virginia.edu/.
ATTACHMENT
University of Virginia

Board of Visitors

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Medical Center
Pamela Sutton-Wallace
CEO*

University System
Teresa A. Sullivan
Principal Administrative Officer

Academic Division
Teresa A. Sullivan
President

Committee on The University of Virginia's College at Wise

College at Wise
Donna Henry
Chancellor

* Reports to the principal administrative officer (PAO) of the University System through the executive vice president for Health Affairs.