

April 6, 2001

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Educational Policy Committee:

T. Keister Greer, Chair  
Elsie Goodwyn Holland  
Stephen S. Phelan, Jr.  
Elizabeth A. Twohy  
Joseph E. Wolfe  
John P. Ackerly, III, Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

Thomas J. Bliley, Jr.	William H. Goodwin, Jr.
Charles M. Caravati, Jr., M.D.	Gordon F. Rainey, Jr.
William G. Crutchfield, Jr.	Timothy B. Robertson
Thomas F. Farrell, II	Terence P. Ross
Charles L. Glazer	Thomas A. Saunders, III
Benjamin P.A. Warthen	

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Educational Policy  
Committee on April 6, 2001

The Educational Policy Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session at 10:50 a.m., Friday, April 6, 2001, in the Board Room of the Rotunda; T. Keister Greer, Chair, presided. Mrs. Elsie Goodwyn Holland, Stephen S. Phelan, Jr., Ms. Elizabeth A. Twohy, Joseph E. Wolfe, and John P. Ackerly, III, Rector, were present.

Also present were Thomas J. Bliley, Jr., Charles M. Caravati, Jr., M.D., William G. Crutchfield, Jr., Charles L. Glazer, William H. Goodwin, Jr., Gordon F. Rainey, Jr., Timothy B. Robertson, Thomas F. Farrell, II, Benjamin P.A. Warthen, and Thomas A. Saunders, III.

Ms. Sasha L. Wilson, the Student Member-elect, was present.

Present as well were John T. Casteen, III, Leonard W. Sandridge, Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Paul J. Forch, Peter W. Low, Robert W. Cantrell, M.D., Ms. Colette Sheehy, William W. Harmon, Robert E. Reynolds, M.D., Gene D. Block, Terry Holland, Robert M. Grainger, Ms. Pamela Norris, James T. McCleskey, Jr., George E. Culbertson, and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

The Chair asked Mr. Low, Vice President and Provost, to present the Agenda.

The two Action items were both Consent items. The first of these was a resolution approving the establishment of the M.A. in Digital Humanities. The new degree would be centered in the Media Studies Program of the College and Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. The proposed degree, which would be unique in the Commonwealth, has been approved by the College and the Graduate School, the Faculty Senate and the Graduate Council.

On motion, the Committee adopted the necessary resolution and recommended it to the full Board for approval (see Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, April 7, 2001).

The second item was a resolution approving the election of Mr. Bob Woodward, the journalist, to the Council of the White Burkett Miller Center of Public Affairs for a term of five years. Mr. Low reminded the Committee of the Pulitzer Prize awarded *The Washington Post*, where Mr. Woodward is an Assistant Managing Editor, for the investigative reporting of Mr. Woodward and Mr. Carl Bernstein on the Watergate scandal.

On motion, the Committee adopted the necessary resolution and recommended it to the full Board for approval (see Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, April 7, 2001).

Mr. Low asked Mr. Rob Grainger, Professor of Biology and Chair-elect of the Faculty Senate, to report on recent activities of the Senate. Mr. Grainger met with the Committee vice Ms. Patricia Werhane, the Chair, who was teaching a class.

Mr. Grainger outlined some of the initiatives that he proposes the Senate follow next year. He then introduced Ms. Pamela Norris, Associate Professor of Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering in the School of Engineering. Ms. Norris in turn introduced one of her graduate students, Mr. James T. McCleskey, who described his dissertation research on solar cell research, an application of nanotechnology.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

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