

October 19, 2001

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Student Affairs and Athletics Committee:

Gordon F. Rainey, Jr., Chair  
Charles M. Caravati, Jr., M.D.  
Thomas F. Farrell, II  
Charles L. Glazer  
Elsie Goodwyn Holland  
Benjamin P.A. Warthen  
Sasha L. Wilson  
John P. Ackerly, III, Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

Thomas J. Bliley, Jr.	Terence P. Ross
William G. Crutchfield, Jr.	Thomas A. Saunders, III
William H. Goodwin, Jr.	Elizabeth A. Twohy
T. Keister Greer	Joseph E. Wolfe
Timothy B. Robertson	

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Student Affairs and  
Athletics Committee on October 19, 2001

The Student Affairs and Athletics Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 11:50 a.m., Friday, October 19, 2001, in the Board Room of the Rotunda; Gordon F. Rainey, Jr., Chair, presided. Charles M. Caravati, Jr., M.D., Charles L. Glazer, Mrs. Elsie Goodwyn Holland, Benjamin P.A. Warthen, Ms. Sasha L. Wilson, and John P. Ackerly, III, Rector, were present.

Present as well were Thomas J. Bliley, Jr., William G. Crutchfield, Jr., William H. Goodwin, Jr., T. Keister Greer, Timothy B. Robertson, Terence P. Ross, Thomas A. Saunders, III, Ms. Elizabeth A. Twohy, and Joseph E. Wolfe.

Also present were John T. Casteen, III, Leonard W. Sandridge, Jr., Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Paul J. Forch, Ms. Patricia M. Lampkin, Craig K. Littlepage, Gene D. Block, Robert D. Sweeney, Ms. Colette Sheehy, Ms. Yoke San L. Reynolds, R. Ariel Gomez, M.D., William W. Harmon, Steven H. Kaplan, Ms. Abby Fifer, Andrew Price, and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

The Chair asked Mr. Littlepage, Director of Athletics, to present the first item on the Agenda. Mr. Sandridge, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, prefaced Mr. Littlepage's remarks on the Athletics Department Financial Plan with comments on the Board's requests that led to the formulation of the Plan. He reminded the Committee that at the discussion of the report of the Athletics Task Force in July, the Administration was charged with devising a Fiver Year Plan to develop a budget to enhance the University's athletics programs.

Mr. Littlepage said the University wants to achieve "consistent success at the highest levels of athletic competition without sacrificing its academic standards, integrity, fiscal responsibility or compliance obligations." He laid down four goals: Academic excellence, athletic excellence, fiscal prudence, and compliance. For the first of these, the goal is to rank among the Top 20 in graduation rates for student-athletes; for the second, to rank among the Top 10 in Sears Cup total points; for the third, to keep the budget in balance each year; and for the fourth, to adhere to all NCAA and federal regulations.

He then gave a financial overview of expenses and revenues. The total increase over the current budget in expenses is projected at \$13.1million by Fiscal Year 2006. This figure would include inflation adjustments to current operations, inflation adjustments to program improvements and the creation of a contingency/capital fund. Revenues, which would equal \$13.1million, would come from student

fees, Athletic Department operations and philanthropy/gifts/ and "other."

Mr. Littlepage listed four sets of funding priorities: the first would be inflation adjustments to current operations; the second would include phase 1 of program improvements in academic advising and various sports, both women's and men's, as well as the start of a contingency/capital fund; the third would continue improvements in academic advising and certain sports, as well as add to the contingency/capital fund; and the fourth would include improvements in administration, men's Olympic sports and in sports medicine, as well as adding to the contingency/capital fund.

The Rector told Mr. Littlepage that the Board has heard nothing but accolades for his performance.

The Chair then asked Ms. Lampkin, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs, to present the rest of the Agenda.

The first item, Ms. Lampkin said, was a Consent item: the approval of the Annual Report of the radio station WTJU. The Board holds the Federal Communications Commission broadcasting license for WTJU, which is a noncommercial educational operator's license. The Board of Visitors customarily approves the Annual Report as a way of approving the operations of the station for the year covered by the Report.

The Committee adopted the necessary resolution and recommended it to the full Board for approval at the meeting of the Board of Visitors on October 19<sup>th</sup> (see Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors of that date).

Ms. Lampkin then introduced Ms. Abby Fifer of Roanoke, the President of Student Council.

Ms. Fifer outlined in brief the organizational structure of the Student Council. She then mentioned a few of Council's initiatives this year, touching particularly

on an online course evaluation system for the College and dealing with a Student Activity Fee surplus.

Ms. Fifer then referred to the questions raised about the University's holdings in the oil company Unocal because of Unocal's involvements with the repressive government of Burma. She expressed her appreciation that these holdings have been sold and quoted statements from manager of the portfolio - of which the University is a part - whose holdings had included Unocal, that ethical concerns had played a part in his decision to sell. She said that she and her colleagues are interested in the notion of a code of ethics for University investing.

Ms. Fifer then introduced Mr. Andrew Price, a fourth year student in the College from Arlington and head of the Free Burma Coalition. Mr. Price thanked the Committee for inviting him to speak and expressed his appreciation for the resolution of the Unocal issue. He seconded Ms. Fifer's remarks about devising some sort of University code of ethics for investing and said he hoped they could work with the Board in drafting such a policy.

Ms. Lampkin gave a quick progress report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Fraternity Working Group. A formal report on this will be given at the January Board of Visitors meeting.

Mr. Bliley suggested that time be set aside to hear student concerns at every Board meeting.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

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These minutes have been posted to the University of Virginia's Board of Visitors website.  
<http://www.virginia.edu/bov/buildingsGroundsminutes.html>