

January 25, 2002

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 January 25, 2002

The Student Affairs and Athletics Committee of the Board of Visitors met, in Open Session, at 1:30 p.m., Friday, January 25, 2002, in the Board Room of the Rotunda; Gordon F. Rainey, Jr., Chair, presided. Charles M. Caravati, Jr., M.D., Thomas F. Farrell, II, Charles L. Glazer, Benjamin P.A. Warthen, Ms. Sasha L. Wilson, and John P. Ackerly, III, Rector, were present.

Also present 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.

Present as well were John T. Casteen, III, Leonard W. Sandridge, Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Paul J. Forch, Ms. Patricia M. Lampkin, Craig K. Littlepage, Gene D. Block, Ms. Colette Sheehy, Robert D. Sweeney, Robert E. Reynolds, M.D., Ms. Yoke San Reynolds, R. Ariel Gomez, M.D., William W. Harmon, Jon Oliver, Al Groh, Paul Gigante, and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

R. Edward Howell was present as an observer.

The Chair asked Mr. Littlepage, Director of Athletics, to introduce Mr. Al Groh, Head Football Coach.

Mr. Groh described his vision for the football program at the University and answered questions from Members.

Mr. Littlepage then introduced Mr. Jon Oliver, Senior Associate Director for Administration in the Athletics Department. Mr. Oliver, who has only recently assumed his duties, is in charge of compliance with NCAA and ACC regulations. He said that he intends to make the compliance program more than simply a monitoring office, and he outlined a review and assessment of the compliance program that he plans to undertake.

The Chair asked Ms. Lampkin, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs, to continue with the Agenda.

Ms. Lampkin gave a brief report. She spoke of the effect of the events of September 11<sup>th</sup> on the student body and said there is a sense of an unusual drawing together. A manifestation of this was the first Lighting of the Lawn, an illumination of the Pavilions, which took place on the eve of examinations in December. It was organized by students and there was great participation by the student body as a whole.

Ms. Lampkin said that in this period of economic sluggishness, the Office of Career Services has reported many fewer employers than usual interviewing fourth year students. There has been a dramatic decline in the number of employers participating in job fairs.

Finally, Ms. Lampkin noted the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Office of African-American Affairs, which was celebrated last fall.

Ms. Lampkin introduced Mr. Paul Gigante, the Chair of the University Judiciary Committee, who reported on the activities of the Committee this year.

Mr. Gigante said the changes in the Judiciary Committee's Standards of Conduct, approved by the Board of Visitors last April, have been implemented smoothly.

In 2001, 114 cases were brought before the Committee; it is noteworthy that 63% of these were alcohol-related and 11% were related to the use of marijuana. Mr. Gigante noted that while these numbers are slightly lower than in recent years, substance abuse "remains the greatest accompaniment to and cause of acts which threaten the health and safety of University community members."

Citing statistics for the fall semester, Mr. Gigante said the racial composition of students brought up on charges is more or less proportional to the University's total racial composition, although the percentage of white students brought up on charges is significantly higher than the percentage of white students enrolled in the University: 84% of the students charged were white, while 68% of students enrolled in the University are white. African-American students constitute about 7.8% of the student population and made up 8.8% of the students brought up on charges in the fall. The percentage of Hispanic and Asian students charged with offenses was equal to the percentage enrolled.

Mr. Gigante said the Committee this year has devoted considerable effort to questions of hazing: how to interpret the Virginia statute and how to handle cases.

The Chair commended Mr. Gigante for his leadership this year and the Committee for the work it has done.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

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