

January 26, 2002

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Committee on The University of Virginia's
College at Wise:

William G. Crutchfield, Jr., Chair
Thomas J. Bliley, Jr.
Joseph E. Wolfe
John P. Ackerly, III, Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

Charles M. Caravati, Jr., M.D.	Gordon F. Rainey, Jr.
Thomas F. Farrell, II	Timothy B. Robertson
Charles L. Glazer	Terence P. Ross
William H. Goodwin, Jr.	Thomas A. Saunders, III
T. Keister Greer	Elizabeth A. Twohy
Elsie Goodwyn Holland	Benjamin P.A. Warthen
Sasha L. Wilson	

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee on The
University of Virginia's College at Wise on
January 26, 2002

The Committee of the Board of Visitors on The University of Virginia's College at Wise met, in Open Session, at 9:10 a.m., Saturday, January 26, 2002, in the Board Room of the Rotunda; William G. Crutchfield, Jr., Chair, presided. Thomas J. Bliley, Jr., Joseph E. Wolfe, and John P. Ackerly, III, Rector, were present.

Also present were Charles M. Caravati, Jr., M.D., Thomas F. Farrell, II, Charles L. Glazer, William H. Goodwin, Jr., T. Keister Greer, Gordon F. Rainey, Jr., Timothy B. Robertson, Ms. Elizabeth A. Twohy, Benjamin P.A. Warthen, and Ms. Sasha L. Wilson.

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

As there were no Action items on the Agenda, and in the absence of the Chancellor who was attending a professional meeting in Washington, the Chair gave a brief report on the state of the College.

The Rector attended the December meeting of the College's board; the Chair commented that in the fifty years of the College's existence, no Rector has taken such a personal interest in the College or visited it more often.

The College ranks among the top 10 of national, public liberal arts colleges in the *U.S. News & World Report* ratings for 2001. The College is implementing strategies to become one of the top 5 in the next ranking; this effort should be helped by the 4% increase in alumni giving and the 7% increase in the freshman retention rate.

First year enrollment this past fall was up 17% from the previous year. This growth, while wonderful for the College, puts a serious strain on housing.

A major priority for fundraising at the College is for campus beautification. The University Architect and the University's Landscape Architect are working with the College on this project.

Mr. Kaplan's inauguration as Chancellor has been set for May 3rd.

Mr. Crutchfield announced several appointments at the College: Claire Eldridge as Vice Chancellor for Development and College Relations, David Smith as Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor, and Sim Ewing as Vice Chancellor for Finance and Governmental Relations. In addition, Gary Juhan has been given the title of Vice Chancellor for Administration.

The College's football program has been accepted into the Mid-South Conference. This will not only ease travel for the Wise team but it will be of great benefit to the College in building competitive rivalries.

The Rector thanked the Chair for his report, but above all for his dedicated service to the College.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

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