

May 8, 2003

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Medical Center Operating Board:

E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D., Chair
William G. Crutchfield, Jr.
Eugene V. Fife
John I. Gallin, M.D.
William H. Goodwin, Jr.
Gordon F. Rainey, Jr.
Lewis F. Payne
Katherine L. Smallwood, M.D.

Ex Officio Advisory Members:

George A. Beller, M.D.
Arthur Garson, Jr., M.D.
R. Edward Howell
Leonard W. Sandridge

and

The Remaining Members of the Board of Visitors:

Thomas J. Bliley, Jr.	John R. M. Rodney
Susan Y. Dorsey	Terence P. Ross
Thomas F. Farrell, II	Thomas A. Saunders, III
Charles L. Glazer	Warren M. Thompson
Mark J. Kington	Georgia M. Willis
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FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Medical Center
Operating Board Held on May 8, 2003

The Medical Center Operating Board of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 3:00 p.m., on Thursday, May 8, 2003, in the Hospital Dining Conference Rooms 1, 2, and 3 at the Medical Center; E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D., Chair, presided.

William G. Crutchfield, Jr., William H. Goodwin, Jr., The Hon. Lewis F. Payne, Katherine L. Smallwood, M.D., and Gordon F. Rainey, Jr., Rector, were present.

Also present were R. Edward Howell, Leonard W. Sandridge, Arthur Garson, Jr., M.D., and George A. Beller, M.D. - all ex-officio Members.

Present, too, were Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Paul J. Forch, Larry L. Fitzgerald, Thomas A. Massaro, M.D., William D. Steers, M.D., and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

At the Chair's request, Mr. Howell opened the meeting by asking Mr. Fitzgerald to present the Fiscal Year 2004 Medical Center operating budget. After discussion, the Medical Center Operating Board adopted the following resolution approving the budget and recommended it to the full Board for approval:

RECOMMENDATION REGARDING FISCAL YEAR 2004 MEDICAL CENTER OPERATING BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Medical Center Operating Board has reviewed the Fiscal Year 2004 Medical Center operating budget;

RESOLVED that the Medical Center Operating Board endorses and recommends to the Finance Committee and to the Board of Visitors approval of the Fiscal Year 2004 Medical Center operating budget.

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Departing from the order of the published Agenda, Mr. Howell and Dr. Steers reported on the new clinical initiatives supported by the Buchanan Bequest. The four programs approved are in the Virginia Hand Center; SMART (Surgical Minimal Approach with Robotic Technology) project in the Department of Urology; ACTION (Advancement of Clinical Trials for Improving Outcomes), which is an initiative of the Departments of Neurology and Neurological Surgery, along with Radiation Oncology, Pathology, Health Evaluation Sciences, and Psychology; and the Virginia Childhood Obesity Program.

Next, Mr. Howell presented a resolution delegating temporary authority on credentialing actions to Dr. Vaughan, the Chair. He explained that the next meeting of the Medical Center Operating Board is scheduled in September; temporary privileges to physicians to practice in the Medical Center may not exceed 90 days, and more than 90 days will elapse before the September meeting.

The Medical Center Operating Board approved the following resolution. Action by the full Board of Visitors is not required, but the resolution will be entered in the Minutes of the meeting of the full Board as a matter of record.

APPROVAL OF TEMPORARY DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY REGARDING
CREDENTIALING ACTIONS

WHEREAS, the Medical Center Operating Board has the authority and responsibility for appointing and reappointing clinicians to the Clinical Staff of the Medical Center, as well as for granting appropriate clinical privileges to such clinicians and for granting appropriate clinical privileges to Allied Health Professionals and certain other healthcare practitioners to practice within the Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, the Medical Center Operating Board will not meet between May and September 2003, and in the interim, a number of Medical Center Clinical Staff members, Allied Health Professionals and other healthcare practitioners will need to be appointed, reappointed and/or granted clinical privileges; and

WHEREAS, the Medical Center may confer temporary clinical privileges for not more than ninety (90) days; and

WHEREAS, the Medical Center Operating Board desires to delegate temporarily to the Chair of the Medical Center Operating Board its authority to appoint and reappoint clinicians to the Clinical Staff of the Medical Center, and to grant appropriate clinical privileges to such clinicians, and to grant appropriate clinical privileges to Allied Health Professionals and certain other healthcare practitioners;

RESOLVED that the Medical Center Operating Board delegates to the Chair of the Medical Center Operating Board the authority to appoint and reappoint clinicians to the Clinical Staff of the Medical Center, and to grant appropriate clinical privileges to such clinicians and to grant appropriate clinical privileges to Allied Health Professionals and certain other healthcare practitioners to practice within the Medical Center; and

RESOLVED FURTHER that such delegation of authority be limited to those persons recommended by the Credentials Committee and the Clinical Staff Executive Committee from their May, June and July 2003 meetings; and

RESOLVED FURTHER that all such authority delegated to the Chair of the Medical Center Operating Board shall revert to the Medical Center Operating Board immediately upon the conclusion of the period delegated above.

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Because of a very full Agenda, Mr. Howell's customary report was shortened. Mr. Fitzgerald's financial report was a written report, summed up as follows: "Fiscal Year 2003 continues to surpass expectations with an operating margin which is above budget. Total operating revenue and total operating expenses are above budget, while full-time equivalent employees are below budget."

Dr. Massaro made lengthy reports on Graduate Medical Education and on efforts to improve performance at the Medical Center.

After adopting the following motion, the Medical Center Operating Board went into Executive Session at 5:20 p.m.:

That the Medical Center Operating Board go into Executive Session to consider approval of proposed personnel actions regarding the appointment, reappointment, resignation, assignment, performance and credentialing of specific medical staff and health care professionals; to be briefed on proprietary, business-related contract negotiations regarding Nutrition and Environmental Services procurement, as well as on activities of an existing joint venture of the Medical Center for nuclear cardiac imagining, disclosure of which would adversely affect the competitive position of the Medical Center.

To consult with legal counsel regarding the Medical Center's joint venture with HealthSouth, as well as departments' compliance with regulatory, licensing and accreditation requirements, which will also necessarily involve discussion of the performance of individuals and include proprietary business-related information, disclosure of which would adversely affect the competitive position of the Medical Center.

The relevant exemptions to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act for all of these are provided for in Section 2.2-3711 (A) (1), (6), (7) and (23) of the Code of Virginia.

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The Board resumed its meeting in Open Session at 6:00 p.m., and adopted the following resolution certifying that its discussions in Executive Session had been conducted in accordance with the exemptions permitted by the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

That we vote on and record our certification that, to the best of each Board member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements and which were identified in the motion(s) authorizing the closed session, were heard, discussed or considered in closed session.

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The Medical Center Operating Board adopted the usual credentialing resolution. Action by the full Board of Visitors is not required, but the resolution will be entered in the Minutes of the full Board meeting as a matter of record.

(See the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, May 30-31, 2003, for the full text of this resolution.)

On further motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

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