

February 3, 2005

MEMORANDUM

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

William G. Crutchfield, Jr., Chair
Thomas F. Farrell, II Don R. Pippin
G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh, Jr. Gordon F. Rainey, Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

Susan Y. Dorsey Thomas A. Saunders, III
W. Heywood Fralin Warren M. Thompson
Glynn D. Key E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D.
Mark J. Kington Georgia M. Willis
Lewis F. Payne John O. Wynne
Terence P. Ross Jamie W. Head

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Committee on The University of
Virginia's College at Wise Meeting on February 3, 2005

The Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia on The University of Virginia's College at Wise met, in Open Session, at 4:05 p.m., Thursday, February 3, 2005, in the East Oval Room of the Rotunda; William G. Crutchfield, Jr., Chair, presided. Thomas F. Farrell, II, G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh, Jr., Don R. Pippin, and Gordon F. Rainey, Jr., Rector, were present.

Also present were Ms. Susan Y. Dorsey, W. Heywood Fralin, Mark J. Kington, Lewis F. Payne, Thomas A. Saunders, III, E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D., Ms. Georgia M. Willis, John O. Wynne, and James W. Head.

Present as well were John T. Casteen, III, Leonard W. Sandridge, Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Ernest H. Ern, Gene D. Block, Arthur Garson, Jr., M.D., Robert E. Reynolds, M.D, and Ms. Marcia Childress, Chair of the Faculty Senate.

BECAUSE OF A TOTAL MALFUNCTION IN THE RECORDING EQUIPMENT IN THE BOARD ROOM, THESE MINUTES ARE A RECONSTRUCTION

The Chair, after calling the meeting to order, told the Committee that there was a "walk-on" item to be considered, which is to say an addition to the published Agenda. According to the Board's operating rules as set forth in the Manual of the Board of Visitors, two-thirds of the Members present must approve a motion to consider any addenda to the Agenda.

APPROVAL TO CONSIDER AN ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA

Accordingly, the following motion was proposed and approved:

RESOLVED, the Committee on The University of Virginia's College at Wise approves the consideration of an additional item on the Action Agenda.

APPOINTMENT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA'S COLLEGE AT WISE BOARD

The Chair then asked Mr. Ern, the Interim Chancellor at Wise, to present the Agenda.

Mr. Ern reminded the Committee that the College has a local board appointed by the Board of Visitors. The nominating committee of the Wise Board has proposed that Mr. William G. Crutchfield, Jr., be appointed to the College's Board when his term on the Board of Visitors expires on March 1st, and that his term on the Wise Board extend to June 30, 2006. The appointment of Mr. Crutchfield would fill an unexpired term left vacant by Mr. Earl Wendell Barnette's resignation.

On motion, the Committee - with the Chair abstaining - voted to approve the following resolution and recommended it to the full Board for approval:

APPOINTMENT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA'S COLLEGE AT WISE BOARD

RESOLVED that Mr. William G. Crutchfield, Jr., of Charlottesville, be appointed to the Board of The University of Virginia's College at Wise for a term beginning March 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2006, to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Earl Wendell Barnette.

SUPPORT FOR A VITA DATA BACKUP CENTER AT WISE

The Chair asked Mr. Pippin to present the "walk-on" addition to the Agenda.

Mr. Pippin explained that the Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA) is considering the establishment of a data backup center at some place in the Commonwealth yet to be determined. Action on this proposed project likely will not take place before the summer.

The Town of Wise, The University of Virginia's College at Wise and other groups and agencies in Wise County and nearby, propose that such a center be established at the Lonesome Pine Regional Business and Technology Park in Wise, which is adjacent to the Lonesome Pine Airport at Wise. A VITA data backup center in Wise would enhance the College's programs, particularly in software engineering, and the center, in turn, would benefit from College faculty and students as well as College programs already in place.

A VITA center at Wise would benefit economic and educational growth in Southwest Virginia; the encouragement and nurturing of this kind of development, Mr. Pippin pointed out, has been part of the mission of the College since it was founded.

Mr. Pippin said he thought a resolution of support from the Board of Visitors would be very helpful in encouraging VITA to consider Wise as a site.

On motion, the Committee approved the following resolution of support, and recommended it to the full Board for approval:

IN SUPPORT OF A VITA DATA BACKUP CENTER AT WISE

WHEREAS, the Virginia Information Technologies Agency, known as VITA, is considering the establishment of a data backup center and associated facilities at a location in the Commonwealth yet to be determined; and

WHEREAS, The University of Virginia's College at Wise and the Town of Wise and have proposed that the center be established at the Lonesome Pine Regional Business and Technology Park in Wise; and

WHEREAS, the matter is under consideration by the Board of Directors of the LENOWISCO Planning District Commission; and

WHEREAS, a VITA center at Wise would benefit from programs, faculty and students in place at The University of Virginia's College at Wise and the College, in turn, would benefit from the enhancement of its programs and curricula that a VITA center would bring; and

WHEREAS, the VITA center and the programs it would encourage at the College would be of enormous benefit to economic and educational growth in Southwest Virginia, goals which have been part of the mission of The University of Virginia's College at Wise since its founding;

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors endorses the proposal to establish a VITA data backup center at the Lonesome Pine Regional Business and Technology Park in Wise.

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Mr. Ern gave the customary Chancellor's report to the Committee. Mr. Pippin said Mr. and Mrs. Ern have been wonderful additions to the Wise community.

THE CROCKETT AWARD

The College each year gives an award to someone at the University who has contributed to the strengthening of the relationship between the College and the University. The award is named for Samuel R. Crockett, who was the University's Extension Director who played such an important role in the founding of what was then Clinch Valley College, now The University of Virginia's College at Wise.

Mr. Ern presented this year's Crockett Award to Mr. Tom Leback, the Capital Budget Manager at the University.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

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