April 2, 2005

MEMORANDUM

TO:    The External Affairs Committee:

W. Heywood Fralin, Chair
G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh, Jr.
Glynn D. Key
The Hon. Lewis F. Payne
Gordon F. Rainey, Jr., Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

A. Macdonald Caputo  Don R. Pippin
The Hon. Alan A. Diamonstein  Warren M. Thompson
Susan Y. Dorsey  E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D.
Thomas F. Farrell, II  Georgia M. Willis
Mark J. Kington  John O. Wynne
Vincent J. Mastracco, Jr.  James W. Head

FROM:   Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

RE:    Minutes of the Meeting of the External Affairs Committee on Saturday, April 2, 2005

The External Affairs Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 8:30 a.m., Saturday, April 2, 2005, in the Board Room at the Rotunda; W. Heywood Fralin, Chair, presided.

Ms. Glynn D. Key, Lewis F. Payne, and Gordon F. Rainey, Jr., Rector, were present.

Also present were Thomas F. Farrell, II, A. Macdonald Caputo, Alan A. Diamonstein, Ms. Susan Y. Dorsey, Mark J. Kington, Vincent J. Mastracco, Jr., Don R. Pippin, Warren M. Thompson, E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D., Ms. Georgia M. Willis, John O. Wynne, and James W. Head.

Also present was Ms. Catherine S. Neale, the Student Member-elect.
Present as well were Leonard W. Sandridge, Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Paul J. Forch, Gene D. Block, Arthur Garson, Jr., M.D., R. Edward Howell, Ms. Patricia M. Lampkin, Robert E. Reynolds, M.D., Ms. Colette Sheehy, Robert D. Sweeney, John B. Syer, and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

The Chair asked Mr. Sweeney, Senior Vice President for Development and Public Affairs, to present the Agenda.

Report on Plans for the Reunion Weekend Program

Mr. Sweeney introduced Mr. John B. Syer, Executive Director of the Alumni Association. Mr. Syer reviewed for the Committee the plans for the 2005 Reunions Weekend, to be held the first weekend in June.

Mr. Syer reminded the Committee that class reunions are celebrated in five year increments: this year, therefore, alumni who took their degrees in years ending in "five" or "zero" will be celebrating their reunions. He said that all indications predict a large attendance this year.

Report by the Senior Vice President for Development and Public Affairs

Mr. Sweeney discussed alumni relations and then reported on philanthropic cash flow, citing figures first for the fiscal year which began July 1, 2004 and are current through the end of February. The figure for this period stands at $130,205,763 – up from $112,980,932 for the same period last year. This represents an increase of 15.25%.

Turning to Campaign statistics, he said the total raised to date is $604,625,860, against a goal of $3 billion. This represents 20.15% of the goal in 14.55% of the time elapsed in the Campaign.

Leaders among the schools and units are the Curry School, which has achieved 30.76% of its goal; the Health System at 31.12%; Athletics at 37.21%; the UVa Fund/Alumni Association at 64.23%; and Wise at 34.36%.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

These minutes have been posted to the University of Virginia Board of Visitors website. http://www.virginia.edu/bov/externalminutes.html