

April 7, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Educational Policy Committee:

Glynn D. Key, Chair
The Honorable Alan A. Diamonstein
Susan Y. Dorsey
Vincent J. Mastracco, Jr.
Catherine S. Neale
The Honorable Lewis F. Payne
E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D.
John O. Wynne
Thomas F. Farrell, II, Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

Daniel R. Abramson	W. Heywood Fralin
A. Macdonald Caputo	Don R. Pippin
Georgia Willis Fauber	Gordon F. Rainey, Jr.
G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh, Jr.	Warren M. Thompson

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Educational Policy
Committee on April 7, 2006

The Educational Policy Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 8:30am, Friday, April 7, 2006, in the Abbott Center at the Darden School; Ms. Glynn D. Key, Chair, presided.

Present were The Hon. Alan A. Diamonstein, Ms. Susan Y. Dorsey, Vincent J. Mastracco, Jr., The Hon. Lewis F. Payne, E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D., Ms. Catherine S. Neale, and Thomas F. Farrell, II, Rector.

Present as well were Daniel R. Abramson, A. Macdonald Caputo, Mrs. Georgia Willis Fauber, G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh, Jr., W. Heywood Fralin, Don R. Pippin, and Warren M. Thompson.

Also present were Leonard W. Sandridge, Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Paul J. Forch, Gene D. Block, R. Ariel Gomez, M.D., Ms. Patricia M. Lampkin, Robert E. Reynolds, M.D., Ms. Yoke San L. Reynolds, Ms. Colette Sheehy, William B. Harvey, David J. Prior, Houston G. Wood, Erik L. Hewlett, M.D., Ms. Deborah A. Roach, Ms. Johanna Peet, Yogesh Surendranath, Kenneth A. Schwartz, Robert Bruner, and Ms. Jeanne Flipppo Bailes.

BECAUSE OF A BREAKDOWN IN THE RECORDING EQUIPMENT, THESE MINUTES ARE A RECONSTRUCTION

The Chair opened the meeting and asked Mr. Block, Vice President and Provost, to present the Agenda.

REPORTS BY THE VICE PRESIDENT AND PROVOST

Mr. Block introduced Ms. Deborah A. Roach, Associate Professor of Biology, who is the new Cavaliers' Distinguished Teaching Associate Professorship. The Professorship is funded by the Athletics Department, who created the Cavaliers' Professorship after the University appeared in the Sugar Bowl in 1991. It is awarded for outstanding undergraduate teaching.

Mr. Block then reviewed with the Committee - and gave a progress report - on the Committee's 2005-2006 Goals and Work Plan.

The Provost introduced Mr. Robert Bruner, the Dean of the Darden School, who welcomed the Board to the School.

REPORT ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Mr. Block next introduced Dr. Gomez, Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies, and Dr. Erik Hewlett, Senior Associate Dean for Research in the School of Medicine and Chair of the Patent Foundation.

Dr. Gomez reminded the Committee that the Bayh-Dole Act in 1980 allowed universities to keep the rights to any intellectual property developed during research which is funded by federal grants. He said this resulted in an "explosion" of academic technology transfer offices as universities worked to fulfill another aspect of Bayh-Dole, "the vigorous pursuit of commercialization."

He and Dr. Hewlett then reviewed for the Committee both the general subject of technology transfer at the University and the work of the Patent Foundation in facilitating this.

REPORT BY THE CHAIR OF THE FACULTY SENATE

Mr. Block invited Mr. Houston Wood, Professor of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering and Chair of the Faculty Senate, to give his customary report on the activities of the Senate.

Mr. Wood introduced Mr. Kenneth A. Schwartz, Professor of Architecture, who is the Chair-elect of the Senate and will take office this summer.

As part of his report, Mr. Wood introduced two recipients of Harrison Undergraduate Research Awards, Ms. Johanna Peet and Mr. Yogesh Surendranath, both fourth-year students, who described their research projects and how the Awards enhanced their experience as students.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

AGG:jb

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