

April 7, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Student Affairs and Athletics Committee:

Susan Y. Dorsey, Chair  
A. Macdonald Caputo  
Georgia Willis Fauber  
G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh, Jr.  
Glynn D. Key  
Catherine S. Neale  
Don R. Pippin  
Warren M. Thompson  
Thomas F. Farrell, II, Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

Daniel R. Abramson	The Hon. Lewis F. Payne
The Hon. Alan A. Diamonstein	Gordon F. Rainey, Jr.
W. Heywood Fralin	E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D.
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FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Student Affairs and Athletics Committee Meeting on April 7, 2006

The Student Affairs and Athletics Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 9:50 a.m., Friday, April 7, 2006, in the Abbott Center at the Darden School; Ms. Susan Y. Dorsey, Chair, presided.

Present were A. Macdonald Caputo, G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh, Jr., Ms. Glynn D. Key, Don R. Pippin, Warren M. Thompson, and Ms. Catherine S. Neale.

Also present were W. Heywood Fralin, The Hon. Alan A. Diamonstein, Daniel R. Abramson, and Gordon F. Rainey, Jr.

Present, too, were Leonard W. Sandridge, Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Paul J. Forch, Ms. Patricia M. Lampkin, Robert E. Reynolds, M.D., Ms. Yoke San L. Reynolds, Craig K. Littlepage, David Hobbs, Ms. Alison Tramba, and Ms. Jeanne Flipppo Bailes.

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

The Chair opened the meeting and asked Ms. Lampkin, Vice President for Student Affairs, to present the Agenda.

Ms. Lampkin gave her customary report on student matters, and then provided a progress report on the Committee's 2005-06 Goals and Work Plan.

She then introduced Mr. David Hobbs, Chair of the Honor Committee.

Mr. Hobbs, a fourth year student in the McIntire School whose term of office as Chair is drawing to a close, gave a review of the Honor Committee's activities over the past school year. Among other things, he reported significant efforts at education outreach to first-year and minority students, and greatly improved diversity with the Honor support officer pool.

The Committee has initiated a survey among all University faculty to evaluate how faculty opinions on Honor affect their interactions with students. The results of this survey are due in late April. The Committee also conducted a comprehensive analysis of the role of the single sanction. In quick summary, the analysis showed that 70% of third- and fourth-year students have never observed cheating at the University; that 75% of the students surveyed rated the Honor Committee's cheating policy as effective or very effective; and that cheating rates at the University are lower than at schools without honor systems.

Of concern, however, are results that showed 47% of students would not report a case of cheating because they prefer not to get involved; 33% of students would not report a case because they disagree with the single sanction; and 67% would be deterred from reporting an offense because of uneasiness about causing dismissal.

Mr. Hobbs then introduced Ms. Alison Tramba, a rising fourth year student in the School of Engineering and Chair-elect of the Honor Committee, who briefed Members on the goals of the 2006-2007 Honor Committee. These include improving communication with the student body; restructuring education efforts to focus on student participation; addressing specific concerns reported

from the faculty survey conducted by this year's Honor Committee; establishing consistent contact with department chairs and deans; and increasing outreach to under-represented groups.

The Chair asked Mr. Sandridge, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer to report to the Committee on resolutions of the problems with ISIS, the Integrated Student Information System, since the report on these problems made by Dr. Reynolds, Vice President and Chief Information Officer, at the February meeting of the Board of Visitors.

Mr. Sandridge also reported on steps being taken to improve pedestrian safety along Emmet Street in the area of the University Grounds.

The Chair then asked Mr. Littlepage, Director of Athletics, to report on the work recently completed or in progress on a number of Athletics facilities.

Among the projects recently completed are the Short-Game Practice Facility (golf) at Birdwood; the Indoor Tennis Facility at the Boar's Head Sports Club; the Olympic Sports Training Room; the University Hall Phase I Locker Rooms project; and the Left-Field Wall Relocation at the Baseball Stadium.

Among the projects anticipated for this spring and summer are further University Hall Locker Room Renovations; an upgrade of the Softball Facility; conversion of the Lacrosse and Football Practice Fields to field turf; the expansion of the Rowing Boathouse; and renovations to Klockner Field.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

AGG:jb

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