EDUCATIONAL POLICY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 12, 2006
11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
Byrd Seminar Room, Room 318
Harrison Institute

Committee Members:
Glynn D. Key, Chair
Alan A. Diamonstein      Lewis F. Payne
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AGENDA

I.  CONSENT AGENDA (Mr. Block)
   • Department Name Change:  Department of Psychiatry and Neurobehavioral Sciences, in the School of Medicine

II. REPORTS BY THE VICE PRESIDENT AND PROVOST (Mr. Block)
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AGENDA ITEM: I. Department Name Change: Department of Psychiatric Medicine to Department of Psychiatry and Neurobehavioral Sciences, in the School of Medicine

BACKGROUND: The School of Medicine has proposed to change the name of the Department of Psychiatric Medicine to the Department of Psychiatry and Neurobehavioral Sciences.

The Department has established a solid foundation in basic, translational, and clinical research. The existing name does not convey this foundation and also does not acknowledge the interdisciplinary connection between psychiatry and the neurobehavioral sciences and the key work of interdisciplinary teams.

The Department is creating a strong research enterprise that will focus on the integration of the neuroscience and behavioral aspects of psychiatric medicine, as well as addiction medicine. Further, exciting work will fortify the critical acquisition of new knowledge and the more accurate characterization and staging of neurobehavioral diseases in the next decade and beyond. The requested name change for the Department will reflect these developments and bolster the Department's ability to engage in collaborative research, to capitalize on translational funding opportunities, and to recruit the very best scholars and students dedicated to interdisciplinary research and education in the neurosciences.

DISCUSSION: The proposed name change was discussed with faculty in the Department of Psychiatric Medicine, as well as approved by the Chairs of the Departments of Psychiatric Medicine, Neurology, Neuroscience, and Neurosurgery.

The Vice President and Dean of the School of Medicine and the Vice President and Provost support the proposed name change and recommend approval.

ACTION REQUIRED: Approval by the Educational Policy Committee and by the Board of Visitors
APPROVAL TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRIC MEDICINE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY AND NEUROBEHAVIORAL SCIENCES IN THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

RESOLVED, the name of the Department of Psychiatric Medicine is changed to the Department of Psychiatry and Neurobehavioral Sciences in the School of Medicine.
The Chair of the Educational Policy Committee, Ms. Key, will review the Committee’s Work Plan and Goals for 2006-07.
DISCUSSION: The Vice President and Provost and the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies will update the Committee on the Senior Scientist Recruitment Program.
DISCUSSION: The Vice President and Provost will introduce Ms. Roseanne M. Ford, Associate Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies, and Professor of Chemical Engineering. Together, they will present a work plan on issues related to graduate education that will be addressed in 2006-07. The work plan will include the following components:

1. We will assess metrics to determine the optimal size of the graduate program at the University of Virginia. Factors to be considered include service to the undergraduate experience, support of faculty research programs, critical mass within departments, placement outcomes, and peer comparison.

2. We will consider ways to improve the diversity of the graduate student body (demographics, socio-economic background, ethnicity, race, in-state/out-of-state, and international).

3. We will evaluate the financial resources that are required to achieve these goals.

4. We will consider aspects of graduate student life which the University needs to address, based on a survey of enrolled graduate students from 2003-04.
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AGENDA ITEM: II.D. Capital Construction Review

ACTION REQUIRED: None

DISCUSSION: The Vice President and Provost will introduce Mr. Richard S. Minturn, Senior Academic Facility Planner, who will review the proposed academic priorities and summary program statements for the 2008-2014 Capital Plan.
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AGENDA ITEM: II.E. Faculty Senate

ACTION REQUIRED: None

DISCUSSION: The Vice President and Provost will introduce Mr. Kenneth A. Schwartz, Chair of the Faculty Senate, and Professor of Architecture, who will give a brief report on the Senate’s plans for the 2006-07 academic year.