

September 11, 2006

MEMORANDUM

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

Don R. Pippin, Chair
Alan A. Diamonstein
G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh, Jr.
W. Heywood Fralin
Gordon F. Rainey, Jr.,
Thomas F. Farrell, II, Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

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| Daniel R. Abramson | Vincent J. Mastracco, Jr. |
| A. Macdonald Caputo | Lewis F. Payne |
| Susan Y. Dorsey | Warren M. Thompson |
| Georgia Willis Fauber | E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D. |
| Glynn D. Key | John O. Wynne |
| Anne Elizabeth Mullen | |

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Committee on The University of Virginia's
College at Wise Meeting on September 11, 2006

The Committee of the Board of Visitors on The University of Virginia's College at Wise met, in Open Session, at 5:40 p.m., Monday, September 11, 2006, in the Byrd Seminar Room at the Harrison Institute; Don R. Pippin, Chair, presided by telephone. Alan A. Diamonstein, W. Heywood Fralin, Gordon F. Rainey, Jr., and Thomas F. Farrell, II, Rector, were present.

Also present were A. Macdonald Caputo, Vincent J. Mastracco, Jr., Lewis F. Payne, Warren M. Thompson, and John O. Wynne.

Present as well were John T. Casteen, III, Leonard W. Sandridge, Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Paul J. Forch, David J. Prior, Ms. Yoke San L. Reynolds, Ms. Colette Sheehy, William B. Harvey, and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

The Chair, who participated by telephone from Wise County, asked the Chancellor of The University of Virginia's College at Wise, Mr. Prior, to present the Agenda.

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

Mr. Prior proposed that Mr. Charlie R. Jessee of Abingdon, a 1962 alumnus of the College at Wise, be appointed to the Board of The University of Virginia's College at Wise for a four-year term ending June 30th, 2010. Mr. Jessee, a lawyer, is a member of the UVA-Wise Foundation Board and has in other ways as well, been an active and supportive alumnus.

The Committee adopted the following resolution and recommended it to the full Board for approval:

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

RESOLVED that Charlie R. Jessee is appointed to The University of Virginia's College at Wise Board for a four-year term ending June 30, 2010, in accordance with the terms of the Board's Bylaws.

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CHANCELLOR'S REPORT:

COMMITTEE GOALS AND WORK PLAN, 2006-2007

Mr. Prior gave a progress report on the Committee's 2006-07 goals and work plan, which was agreed to at the Board Retreat in July. A copy of his report is appended as an Attachment (see Attachment).

ACCREDITATION AND MEMBERSHIPS

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) is the accrediting body for Wise. At its meeting in June, SACS affirmed the College's accreditation.

The College has been invited to join COPLAC, the Council on Public Liberal Arts Colleges, and CUR, the Council on Undergraduate Research. Membership in both organizations will be of great benefit to the College.

ENROLLMENT

It is too early for the official enrollment headcount for this semester, but it is expected to reach 2000, a year ahead of the SCHEV prediction. By comparison, the headcount in the fall of 2005 was 1957, and 1480 in the fall of 2000. Freshman admissions for this year are up 8% from last year; transfer admissions are up 10%.

Mr. Prior said he was particularly pleased at the great increases in enrollment in mathematics courses necessary for a degree in software engineering.

K-12 OUTREACH

There are 31 K-12 outreach programs run by the College; a new program, "Math/English Collaborative," has been instituted.

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING/NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION: SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATH PROGRAMMING

The software engineering program approved by the State Council last March is being launched this fall. It is the only undergraduate software engineering program in Virginia.

GOVERNOR'S CABINET MEETING IN WISE

The Governor has instituted "Cabinet Community Days," which are planned for a number of locations around the state in the coming months. One of these meetings will be held at The University of Virginia's College at Wise on September 18th. The Cabinet will meet from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m.; at 11:00, there will be a special announcement with Northrop Grumman and the Virginia Coalfield Economic Development Authority.

NORTHROP GRUMMAN/UVA-WISE AGREEMENT

The September 18th announcement will concern a partnership with Northrop Grumman. The College at the same time will announce that it has been selected as the manager of a new one-

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of Virginia's College at Wise

stop education and training center for Northrop Grumman, CGI-AMS,
and the other tenants of the Russell Regional Business Technology
Park. These agreements will benefit both the College and the
region.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

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These minutes have been posted to the University of Virginia's
Board of Visitors website.

<http://www.virginia.edu/bov/uvawiseminutes.html>

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
BOARD OF VISITORS AGENDA SUMMARY

BOARD MEETING: September 11, 2006

COMMITTEE: The University of Virginia's College
at Wise

AGENDA ITEM: II.A. Progress Report on 2006-2007 Goals
and Work Plan

ACTION REQUIRED: None

BACKGROUND: At the Board Retreat last month, the Committee on The University of Virginia's College at Wise agreed to five goals for the 2006-2007 year:

1. Develop and implement public engagement strategies in PK-12 education, economic development, and health care through a University-college partnership in Southwest Virginia.
2. Continued improvement in the retention of minority students through increased student engagement.
3. Increase the number of transfer students by a) expanding the Guaranteed Admissions Program with three primary feeder community colleges to the entire Virginia Community College System and Richard Bland College; b) creating concurrent admissions programs with primary feeder community colleges in nursing and management information systems; and c) instituting AIM Scholars program with Mountain Empire Community College and Scott County public schools.
4. Acquire funds to conduct a feasibility study for a convocation center. (Continued from FY 2006.)
5. Support the Campaign kickoff and public phase of Campaign.

DISCUSSION:

Public engagement: A brief update on progress (as of August 18) includes:

1. Public Engagement: Pace Lochte, Director of Virginia Gateway at the University, visited the College in July and met with the Chancellor and senior staff members to discuss the framework and possible components of the partnership. Ms. Lochte is developing a draft for review by the University and the College.
2. Retention of minority students: First-time students arrived on campus two days prior to upper class students for "Expedition 2006" - an extended orientation and welcome. Two sessions of the program were devoted to diversity. Students and all faculty and staff have received their copies of a common reading "The Color of Water: A Black Man's Tribute to His White Mother" by James McBride.
3. Increase the number of transfer students: During the spring semester, the Office of Admissions began an evaluation of internal processes to determine what the impact would be of developing a concurrent admissions program. Early in the fall semester of 2006, the Office of Admissions will engage in conversations with our primary feeder community college to begin the development of this program.
4. Convocation Center: The College is visiting other convocation/recreation centers at similar size institutions and sharing photographs, blueprints, and construction costs with regional leaders to engender enthusiasm to fund a feasibility study.
5. Campaign: Plans are underway for the public kick-off on October 21. The College successfully completed the nucleus fund with \$21.4 million counted toward the ultimate campaign goal. The case statement is nearing completion. The Campaign Cabinet will meet on September 8, to determine the campaign goal. The development office is adding three staff members to assist with the additional workload.