January 22, 2007

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Student Affairs and Athletics Committee:

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

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

The Hon. Alan A. Diamonstein The Hon. Lewis F. Payne
W. Heywood Fralin Gordon F. Rainey, Jr.
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John O. Wynne

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Student Affairs and Athletics Committee Meeting on January 22, 2007

The Student Affairs and Athletics Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 9:00 a.m., Monday, January 22, 2007, in the Byrd Seminar Room of the Harrison Institute; Ms. Susan Y. Dorsey, Chair, presided. Daniel R. Abramson, A. Macdonald Caputo, Mrs. Georgia Willis Fauber, G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh, Jr., Ms. Glynn D. Key, Warren M. Thompson, and Thomas F. Farrell, II, Rector, were present.

Present as well were the Honorable Alan A. Diamonstein, the Honorable Lewis F. Payne, and Gordon F. Rainey, Jr.

The Chair opened the meeting and introduced the first item on the Agenda.

Consent Agenda - WTJU Annual Report

The Rector and Visitors, the Chair explained, hold the FCC broadcasting license for radio station WTJU; it is a noncommercial educational operator’s license. The Board, therefore, must approve WTJU’s Annual Report.

On motion, the Committee approved the following resolution and recommended it to the full Board for approval:

APPROVAL OF WTJU’S 2005-2006 ANNUAL REPORT

RESOLVED that WTJU’s 2005-2006 Annual Report is approved, as recommended by the President and the Vice President and Chief Student Affairs Officer.

VICE PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

The Chair asked Ms. Lampkin, Vice President and Chief Student Affairs Officer, to give her customary report.

Noting that classes resumed last week after the Christmas Break, Ms. Lampkin said the leadership of a variety of student organizations will begin to change shortly: the Cavalier Daily editorial board elections will take place this week and elections for officers of the Honor Committee, Student Council, and the University Judiciary Committee will be held February 21-28.

Sorority recruitment began last week and will end today, Bid Day. Fraternity rush also started last week and will end with Bid Day on February 3rd.

Ms. Lampkin mentioned briefly the concept of a “University Center.” One of the goals in Student Affairs, she said, is to create opportunities “for all students to interact with each other, as well as with faculty and other members of the community.” The kind of space available for these efforts is an important part of realizing this goal. Student Affairs is in the
early stages of exploring the possibility of additional space to be devoted to this aim.

Ms. Lampkin said Student Affairs plans to move forward on discussing this in concept over the next several months.

She then gave the Committee a progress report on the Committee’s work plan and goals, as agreed to at the Board Retreat last July.

REPORT BY THE CHAIR OF THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Ms. Lampkin introduced Ms. Raleigh Anne Blank, the Chair of the Judiciary Committee. Ms. Blank is a fourth year student in the College from Nashville.

Ms. Blank said this year has been one of accomplishment for the Judiciary Committee. The year began with adjudication of the Living Wage case, an open trial involving 17 students. Some 53 cases have been adjudicated thus far this year, a significant increase in student-initiated cases – a development that clearly shows students taking responsibility for their actions and the actions of their peers.

Ms. Blank said that on a personal note, she wanted to thank the Committee and the Board for their support of student governance.

REPORT ON THE IMPROVEMENTS MADE TO ISIS

The Chair asked Mr. Sandridge, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, to brief the Committee on the problems with ISIS, the Student Information System.

Mr. Sandridge in turn deferred to Mr. James Hilton, Vice President and Chief Information Officer. Mr. Hilton told the Committee that the problem has been how to keep an ageing and inadequate system functioning usefully until the new Student Information System is installed, something that is still several years away. He described the measures that have been taken and the “patching” to the existing system that has been done, and said that Spring Registration and Spring drop/add - times of particularly hard demands on ISIS - went without incident.

Mr. Hilton said ISIS can be kept going until the new system comes on line, but it was not built to meet the demands that are made on it.
REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

The Chair asked Mr. Littlepage, Director of Athletics, to make his customary report.

Mr. Littlepage said a new academic support program for student-athletes has been implemented this semester, and he introduced Ms. Kelly Jordan and Mr. Robert Smith of his Academic Affairs staff who described the program. The program, CAST, is known by its acronym, which stands for Cavalier Academic Support Team.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

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http://www.virginia.edu/bov/studentminutes.html