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COMMITTEE: Professorships and Namings

AGENDA ITEM: I.A. Naming of the Sheridan G. Snyder Translational Research Building

BACKGROUND: Sheridan G. Snyder (College ’58) has spent more than forty years in the biotechnology industry. One of his ventures was a company which commercialized technology from the W. Alton Jones Cell Science Center in Lake Placid, New York. Money from the closing of the Center was used to create the Ivy Foundation in 2000; The Hon. William C. Battle served as Chair of the Foundation and Mr. Snyder as Vice Chair. When one of Mr. Snyder’s companies was sold in 2004, a portion of the money went to the Ivy Foundation; a result of this was the gift of $45 million from the Foundation to the University in 2006. Of this gift, $25 million went to the Ivy Translational Research Building, with the rest going to the Barry and Bill Battle Building at the Children’s Hospital and to the Emily Couric Clinical Cancer Center.

In September, 2006, the Board voted to name the translational research building in honor of the Ivy Foundation’s gift. At the same meeting approval was given to the naming of the Barry and Bill Battle Building at the Children’s Hospital, the building, of course, having been part of the Ivy Foundation’s gift to the University and Mr. Battle the Chair of the foundation. It is proposed now that the name of the Ivy Translational Research Building be changed to honor the Vice Chair of the Foundation, Mr. Snyder, not only for his work which helped make possible the Foundation’s gift to the University, but for his long history of promoting translational research.

In this way, both of the principal officers of the Ivy Foundation are honored for their contributions to the University.

DISCUSSION: The President will propose the naming of the Sheridan G. Snyder Translational Research Building at Fontaine Research Park.

ACTION REQUIRED: Approval by the Board of Visitors
NAMING OF THE SHERIDAN G. SNYDER TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH BUILDING AT FONTAINE RESEARCH PARK

WHEREAS, Sheridan G. Snyder, an alumnus of the College of Arts & Sciences, is Vice-Chair of the Ivy Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the Ivy Foundation made a generous gift to the University in 2006 for, among other benefactions, a translational research building; and

WHEREAS, the returns on the investment of the Ivy Foundation’s gift have enabled the University to fund another translational research effort;

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors names the Advanced Research and Technology Building at the Fontaine Research Park the Sheridan G. Snyder Translational Research Building and in so doing, thanks Mr. Snyder for his generous and faithful support of the University.
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COMMITTEE:  Professorships and Namings

AGENDA ITEM:  I.B.  Naming of Nau Hall

BACKGROUND:  The building proposed to be called Nau Hall is part of the South Lawn Project; it will be the upper building, closest to New Cabell Hall and Jefferson Park Avenue, and it is to house the History Department.

It is proposed that the building be named for John Nau of Houston, an alumnus of the College (1968). Mr. Nau has been a generous supporter of the University, particularly the College, not only with gifts but with service (among his interests is the Civil War – he gave the John L. Nau III Professorship in the History of the American Civil War). He is Vice Chair of the Capital Campaign, Chair of the Council of Foundations, Chair of the College of Arts and Sciences Campaign, past president of the College Foundation, and a former member of the Board of Managers of the Alumni Association. The South Lawn Project has been of particular interest to him.

Mr. Nau is President and CEO of Silver Eagle Distributors L.P., the largest distributor in the country of Anheuser-Busch products. Silver Eagle’s headquarters are in Houston.

DISCUSSION:  The President will propose the naming of Nau Hall on the South Lawn.

ACTION REQUIRED:  Approval by the Board of Visitors

NAMING OF NAU HALL ON THE SOUTH LAWN

WHEREAS, John Nau of Houston, who took a B.A. in History from the University in 1968, has been a generous and supportive alumnus of the University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nau’s particular interest has been the College and the South Lawn Project, whose champion he has been since the Project’s inception; and

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WHEREAS, the upper building of the South Lawn, the building closest to Jefferson Park Avenue and New Cabell Hall, will house the Corcoran Department of History;

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors names the upper building Nau Hall in honor of John Nau, and thanks Mr. Nau for his generous support and continuing great service to the University.
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AGENDA ITEM: I.C. Naming of Gibson Hall

BACKGROUND: The lower building of the South Lawn complex will house the Departments of Politics and Religious Studies. It is proposed that it be named Gibson Hall, in honor of David E. Gibson, a staunch supporter of the South Lawn Project.

Mr. Gibson took a B.A. from the College in 1962 and the J.D. from the School of Law in 1965. He is a founding sponsor and emeritus trustee of the College and Graduate School of Arts & Sciences Foundation and an emeritus trustee of the Darden Foundation and a trustee of the Miller Center.

Mr. Gibson had a distinguished career as a corporate banker with Citibank. He is retired and farms in Orange County.

DISCUSSION: The President will propose the naming of Gibson Hall on the South Lawn.

ACTION REQUIRED: Approval by the Board of Visitors

NAMING OF GIBSON HALL ON THE SOUTH LAWN

WHEREAS, the lower building of the South Lawn complex will house the Departments of Politics and Religious Studies; and

WHEREAS, David E. Gibson of Somerset, an alumnus of the College and of the School of Law, has been a generous and effective supporter of the South Lawn Project; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gibson is a founding sponsor and emeritus trustee of the College and Graduate School of Arts & Sciences Foundation;

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors names the lower building of the South Lawn Project Gibson Hall, in honor of David E. Gibson; in so doing, the Board thanks Mr. Gibson for his generosity and devoted service to the University.
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AGENDA ITEM: I.D. Naming of Ruppel Drive

BACKGROUND: When Varsity Hall was moved downhill, Hospital Drive was cut. A small section remained to the south of Varsity Hall (the main part of Hospital Drive runs from Varsity Hall north and east past the old main portions of the Hospital and the Medical School to the Corner, and remains in fairly heavy use) and this was further truncated when Robertson Hall, the addition to Rouss Hall - the two combined are now the McIntire School of Commerce - was built. The remaining road connects the back of Robertson Hall with Jefferson Park Avenue, and thus serves as an access road to the McIntire School.

It is proposed that this portion of the old Hospital Drive be renamed to honor Andrew C. Ruppel, Professor Emeritus of Commerce. Mr. Ruppel, who was a member of the faculty of the McIntire School from 1971 through 2001, is a beloved figure at McIntire; he has had much to do with the return of the School to the Lawn from Monroe Hall.

DISCUSSION: The President will propose the naming of Ruppel Drive.

ACTION REQUIRED: Approval by the Board of Visitors

NAMING OF RUPPEL DRIVE

WHEREAS, Andrew Ruppel, a native of New York, joined the faculty of the McIntire School of Commerce in 1971; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ruppel, on leaves of absence from the School, was on significant government service, in this country and abroad; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ruppel has served the McIntire School and the University with quiet but great devotion, preferring completion of the work at hand to public notice; and
WHEREAS, Mr. Ruppel, although he retired officially from the faculty at the end of 2001, continues to serve the School; and

WHEREAS, the portion of Hospital Drive on the south side of Varsity Hall now connects Robertson Hall of the McIntire School with Jefferson Park Avenue;

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors renames the portion of Hospital Drive between Robertson Hall and Jefferson Park Avenue, Ruppel Drive, and in so doing thanks Andrew Ruppel for his years of devoted service to the McIntire School and to the University.
RENAMING THE CLASS OF 1963 RESEARCH PROFESSORSHIP TO THE CLASS OF 1963 RESEARCH PROFESSORSHIP IN HONOR OF GRAHAM C. LILLY AND PETER W. LOW IN THE SCHOOL OF LAW

BACKGROUND: In April 1990, the Board of Visitors established the Class of 1963 Research Professorship in Law; the Chair was funded with money raised by the Class, an effort which began with their 25th Reunion Gift to the Law School in 1988. The Class of 1963 will hold its 45th reunion this spring, and the Reunion Gift will support the Professorship.

The Class has requested that the name of the Professorship be changed to honor two members of the Class, Graham Lilly and Peter Low, both of whom have been distinguished members of the faculty of the School of Law for many years. The Class’s request has the support of the Dean of the Law School and the University of Virginia Law School Foundation.

Graham Lilly joined the faculty in 1967, after private practice in Washington and a stint as a member of the faculty of the Judge Advocate General’s School. He held a number of administrative posts in the Law School and from the summer of 1989 to 1990 was Associate Provost of the University. As a student, he was a member of the Order of the Coif and the editorial board of the Virginia Law Review.

Peter Low also was a member of the Order of the Coif and the editorial board of the Virginia Law Review. After he took his degree, he clerked for a year for the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the next year, 1964, joined the Law School faculty. He, too, has held a number of administrative posts in the School, and from 1994 to 2001, he was Vice President and Provost of the University.

Mr. Lilly and Mr. Low will not be at the Board meeting. The Class of 1963 would like to announce the renamed Professorship at their 45th Reunion Dinner in May, and honor Mr. Lilly and Mr. Low on that occasion.
DISCUSSION: The President will propose the renaming of the Class of 1963 Research Professorship to the Class of 1963 Research Professorship in Honor of Graham C. Lilly and Peter W. Low in the School of Law.

ACTION REQUIRED: Approval by the Board of Visitors


WHEREAS, the Board of Visitors in 1990 established the Class of 1963 Research Professorship, which was made possible by generous gifts from the Class; and

WHEREAS, the Class continues to support the Professorship and has made a generous pledge as its 45th Reunion Gift; and

WHEREAS, the Class, and the Dean of the School of Law, wish to change the name of the Chair to honor two classmates, Graham Lilly and Peter Low, both distinguished members of the faculty of the Law School;

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors approves the change of the name of the Class of 1963 Research Professorship to the Class of 1963 Research Professorship in Honor of Graham C. Lilly and Peter W. Low, to be held in the School of Law. In doing so, the Board thanks the Class of 1963 for its continuing generosity and support, and commends Mr. Lilly and Mr. Low for their years of distinguished teaching of the law and for their service to the University.
RENAME THE DISTINGUISHED PROFESSORSHIP IN THE HISTORY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE TO THE REUBEN MCCORKLE RAINEY PROFESSORSHIP IN THE HISTORY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

BACKGROUND: The Board of Visitors, in October 2003, established a chair in the School of Architecture to be named The Distinguished Professorship in the History of Landscape Architecture. The Board at the time was aware that the anonymous donor might wish to rename the chair at some point in the future.

The anonymous donor is Reuben M. Rainey, a member of the Architecture faculty for 25 years when he retired as a full-time teacher in 2006; he is still, however, an adjunct faculty member of the School. When he established the chair, Mr. Rainey wished that his identity remain anonymous until his retirement. It is proposed now that the chair be renamed the Reuben McCorkle Rainey Professorship in the History of Landscape Architecture.

Mr. Rainey took the AB from Duke University, the MDiv from the Union Theological Seminary, a Masters in Landscape Architecture from the University, and the PhD from Columbia University. He was Chair of the Department of Landscape Architecture for five years. After an earlier career in comparative religion and the psychology of religion, which he taught at Columbia University and at Middlebury College, his principal academic interests have been in the area of the history of landscape architecture, about which he has published extensively.

He has received a variety of teaching awards and at present, he serves as a member of the School of Architecture Foundation Board of Trustees.

DISCUSSION: The President will propose the renaming of the Distinguished Professorship in the History of Landscape Architecture to the Reuben McCorkle Rainey Professorship in the History of Landscape Architecture in the School of Architecture.
ACTION REQUIRED: Approval by the Board of Visitors

APPROVAL TO RENAME THE DISTINGUISHED PROFESSORSHIP IN THE HISTORY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE TO THE REUBEN MCCORKLE RAINEY PROFESSORSHIP IN THE HISTORY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE IN THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

WHEREAS, the Board of Visitors in October 2003 established The Distinguished Professorship in the History of Landscape Architecture, which was supported by a gift from a generous donor; and

WHEREAS, the professorship was established with the understanding that donor might wish to change the name at some point in the future; and

WHEREAS, the donor, Reuben M. Rainey, a distinguished member of the faculty of the School of Architecture, preferred to remain anonymous until he retired from the faculty; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rainey retired as a full-time member of the faculty in 2006;

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors changes the name of The Distinguished Professorship in the History of Landscape Architecture to The Reuben McCorkle Rainey Professorship in the History of Landscape Architecture, to be held in the School of Architecture. In so doing, the Board thanks Mr. Rainey for his generosity and for his years of devoted and distinguished service to the School of Architecture and to the University of Virginia.
These three buildings are all part of the Health System. The first two are in the Fontaine Research Park and were known previously as "Clinical Office Building" and "Musculoskeletal Building," respectively; the third, at 1223 Jefferson Park Avenue, had that address as its name. The Medical Center Senior Administration has recommended the new names; the President and the University Committee on Names have approved.

No action by the Board on these namings is required: they are reported here, and will be recorded in the Minutes, as a matter of record.
UVa Clinical Laboratory Building
UVa Outpatient Surgery Center

The UVa Clinical Laboratory Building, previously known as Bldg. #1998, is at 112 11th Street, SW. The UVa Outpatient Surgery Center, previously known as Bldg. #3708, is at 337 15th Street, SW.

Board action is not required on these two namings, but they are being reported – and will be entered in the Minutes – as a matter of record.
NAMING OF THE INTERNATIONAL MEDIA WALL AT ALDERMAN LIBRARY

BACKGROUND: The International Media Wall has been installed in the lobby of the Alderman Library. It consists of several television screens on which one can watch – and listen with handsets available from the circulation desk – international news programs. The Jefferson Trust of the Alumni Association provided the funds for the Wall.

No action by the Board is required; the naming of the Wall is reported here, and will be recorded in the Minutes, as a matter of record.