MEMORANDUM

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

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

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

Daniel R. Abramson          Vincent J. Mastracco, Jr.
A. Macdonald Caputo         The Hon. Lewis F. Payne
Susan Y. Dorsey             Warren M. Thompson
Glynn D. Key                E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D.
Austin Ligon                Adom Getachew

FROM:   Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Committee on The University of Virginia’s College at Wise Meeting on June 12, 2008

The Board of Visitors Committee on The University of Virginia’s College at Wise met, in Open Session, at 1:20 p.m., on Thursday, June 12, 2008, in the Board Room of the Rotunda; Don R. Pippin, Chair, presided. The Honorable Alan A. Diamonstein, G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh, Jr., John O. Wynne, and W. Heywood Fralin, Rector, were present.

Also present were Daniel R. Abramson, A. Macdonald Caputo, Ms. Susan Y. Dorsey, Ms. Glynn D. Key, Austin Ligon, Vincent J. Mastracco, Jr., The Honorable Lewis F. Payne, Warren M. Thompson, E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D., and Ms. Adom Getachew.

The Chair gave a summary report on the College at Wise. First, he described the new entrance to the campus. There are now, he said, 36 buildings at the College, sitting on a campus of 396 acres. Five buildings are under construction or being remodeled; two more have been approved but not started. There are seven athletic fields and lighting for baseball and softball has just been installed. The College has 300 full-time employees, of whom 190 are teaching at least one course. The College’s Commencement Exercises were held the day before the University’s, and 321 students took degrees; Senator Chichester was the speaker.

Turning to extramural matters in Wise County, he said the Inn at Wise is being restored. A hearing on the proposed coal-fired power plant in Wise County is scheduled for June 24th.

He then asked the Chancellor to present the Action Items on the Committee’s Agenda.

**ACTION ITEMS: HOUSE BILL 1005**

The Chancellor reminded the Committee that the General Assembly adopted a bill, HB1005, during the recent Session which requires the board of visitors or other governing board of any public institution of higher education to establish policies and procedures which require that a parent of a dependent student be notified when the student receives mental health treatment, and it has been determined that the student may cause serious bodily harm to himself or others.

The Chancellor said the College at Wise has established such a policy and procedure, and he proposed the necessary resolution for the Committee’s approval.

On motion, the Committee voted to approve the following resolution and to recommend it to the full Board for approval:

**APPROVAL OF POLICY TO COMPLY WITH HOUSE BILL NO. 1005**

WHEREAS, House Bill 1005 was passed during the 2008 General Assembly Session to provide notice to the parents of a dependent student receiving mental health treatment at a state college or university student health or counseling center if the student is found by the center to be in a state of psychological emergency; and
WHEREAS, the bill specifically requires a parent of a dependent student to be notified when there exists a substantial likelihood that, as a result of mental illness the student will, in the near future, (i) cause serious physical harm to himself or others as evidenced by recent behavior or any other relevant information or (ii) suffer serious harm due to his lack of capacity to protect himself from harm or to provide for his basic human needs; and

WHEREAS, the bill allows such notification to be withheld if the student's treating physician or treating clinical psychologist has made a part of the student's record a written statement that, in the exercise of his professional judgment, the notification would be reasonably likely to cause substantial harm to the student or another person; and

WHEREAS, the bill requires that the governing boards of each institution shall establish the policies and procedures necessary to comply with the legislation;

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors approves the relevant policy of The University of Virginia's College at Wise to comply with the legislation beginning July 1, 2008, specifically:

1. The College's Center for Student Development shall notify the Dean of Students or his/her designee whenever the Department treats a student who meets the criteria for parental notification under this legislation; and

2. The Dean of Students or his/her designee shall contact the parent of any such dependent student and document that the notification has been made.

ACTION ITEMS: RE-APPOINTMENTS TO THE WISE BOARD

There is a local governing board at The University of Virginia's College at Wise, appointed by the Board of Visitors. The Wise Board serves in an advisory capacity to the Chancellor, the President of the University, and the Board of Visitors. Members of the Wise Board are appointed for four year terms and may be re-appointed for second four year terms.

The Chancellor proposed that three sitting Members of the Wise Board be re-appointed for terms ending on June 30, 2012. The three Members are Ms. Marcia Gilliam of Washington County, Mr. Don M. Green of Wise, and The Hon Ford C. Quillen of Scott County. Ms. Gilliam is an alumna of the College and is Vice-Chair of the Board; Mr. Green was a student at the College and is
Chair of the College’s Foundation Board as well as Vice President of the Napoleon Hill Foundation; Judge Quillen is a retired circuit court judge who served in the House of Delegates for twenty years.

On motion, the Committee adopted the following resolution of re-appointment, and recommended it to the full Board for approval:

RE-APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA’S COLLEGE AT WISE

RESOLVED, The Honorable Ford C. Quillen, Mr. Don M. Green, and Ms. Marcia Adams Gilliam are re-appointed to The University of Virginia's College at Wise Board, for four-year terms ending June 30, 2012, in accordance with the terms of the Board’s bylaws.

CHANCELLOR’S REMARKS

Mr. Prior reminded the Committee that issues concerning the College will be considered in the meetings of the Finance Committee (2008-09 Operating Budget) and the Buildings and Grounds Committee (concept, site and design guidelines for the Multi-Purpose Center).

He spoke briefly to the involvement of the Medical School in the work of the Southwest Virginia Medical Authority, whereupon the Chair asked Mr. Howell, Vice President and Chief Executive Officer of the Medical Center, to tell the Committee about the Governor’s Award for Volunteerism and Service, which has just been given to the Health System for its involvement in the free clinics that have been conducted in Wise County during the summer.

Mr. Howell spoke briefly (see the Minutes of the meeting of the Medical Center Operating Board, which took place earlier in the day) about the Award.

The Chancellor concluded his remarks with brief comments on a miscellany of subjects.

The Chair ended the meeting with praise for the Chancellor and the work he is doing at Wise.
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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

AGG: jb
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