PROFESSORSHIPS AND NAMINGS MEETING
BOARD OF VISITORS
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
JUNE 11, 2009
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Thursday, June 11, 2009
4:00 p.m.
Dome Room, The Rotunda

AGENDA

• ACTION ITEMS – (Mr. Casteen)
  A. Establishment of the John C. Jeffries, Jr. Distinguished Professorship in Law
  B. Establishment of the Jack M. Gwaltney, Jr. Professorship in Infectious Diseases in the School of Medicine
  C. Establishment of the Van W. Daniel, III Professorship in Chemistry at The University of Virginia’s College at Wise
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COMMITTEE: Professorships and Namings

AGENDA ITEM: A. Establishment of the John C. Jeffries, Jr. Distinguished Professorship in Law

BACKGROUND: In recognition of his leadership and service to his beloved alma mater, John C. Jeffries, Jr.'s classmates, fellow alumni, and friends contributed to funding a professorship in his honor, the John C. Jeffries, Jr. Distinguished Professorship in Law. Mr. Jeffries was a member of the Law School class of 1973 and the tenth dean of the School of Law.

John C. Jeffries, Jr. joined the Virginia law faculty two years after earning his law degree in 1973. His primary research and teaching interests are civil rights, federal courts, criminal law, and constitutional law. He has co-authored casebooks in civil rights, federal courts and criminal law and has published a variety of articles in those fields. He also wrote a biography of Justice Lewis F. Powell, Jr., for whom he clerked after finishing Law School.

In 1986, Mr. Jeffries was appointed the inaugural Emerson Spies Professor of Law, a position created to honor a long-time teacher and former dean. Mr. Jeffries also has held a variety of other academic appointments, including the Arnold H. Leon Professorship since 2001. He served as academic associate dean from 1994 to 1999. In the fall semester of 1999, he was acting dean during the sabbatical of Dean Robert Scott. He became dean in the fall of 2001 and served until June 2008.

As a Law student, Mr. Jeffries served as editor-in-chief of the Virginia Law Review. He received the Z award for the highest academic average and the Woods Prize for the outstanding graduate. After his clerkship with Justice Powell, he served in the U.S. Army as a second lieutenant.

DISCUSSION: The President will propose the establishment of the John C. Jeffries, Jr. Distinguished Professorship in Law.

ACTION REQUIRED: Approval by the Board of Visitors
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE JOHN C. JEFFRIES, JR. DISTINGUISHED
PROFESSORSHIP IN LAW

WHEREAS, classmates, fellow alumni, and friends wished to honor John C. Jeffries, Jr. for his leadership and service to the University, his beloved alma mater, by funding a professorship in his name; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jeffries took his J.D. from the School of Law in 1973. He served as editor-in-chief of the Virginia Law Review and he received both the Z award for the highest academic average and the Woods Prize for the outstanding graduate; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jeffries joined the faculty of the School of Law in 1975 following a clerkship with Justice Lewis F. Powell, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jeffries has distinguished himself as a teacher, scholar, and author. His primary research and teaching interests are civil rights, federal courts, criminal law, and constitutional law; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, Mr. Jeffries was appointed the inaugural Emerson Spies Professor of Law, a position created to honor a long-time teacher and former dean. Mr. Jeffries also has held a variety of other academic appointments, including the Arnold H. Leon Professorship since 2001; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jeffries served as the tenth dean of the School of Law from the fall of 2001 through June, 2008.

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors establishes the John C. Jeffries, Jr. Distinguished Professorship in Law, to be held in the School of Law, in honor of John C. Jeffries, Jr.; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, the Board of Visitors commends Mr. Jeffries on his achievements and thanks his many classmates, fellow alumni, and friends for their generosity and support.
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AGENDA ITEM: B. Establishment of the Jack M. Gwaltney, Jr. Professorship in Infectious Diseases in the School of Medicine

BACKGROUND: Betty Knight Scripps and her late husband, Edward Scripps, as well as Scripps Enterprises, Inc., provided funding to create the Jack M. Gwaltney, Jr. Professorship in Infectious Diseases. The Scripps and Scripps League Newspapers have contributed to many areas of the University including the Miller Center for Public Service and the University Art Museum as well as the School of Medicine.

The professorship honors Jack M. Gwaltney, Jr. M.D. for his almost 30 years of service to the University.

Dr. Gwaltney held the Wade Hampton Frost Professorship in Epidemiology from 1975 until December, 2002. He retired from the University in January, 2003 and was elected Professor Emeritus.

Dr. Gwaltney was the pre-eminent world authority on the common cold, conducting extensive clinical studies of the rhinovirus. His background in epidemiology and infectious diseases led him to found and direct the Center for the Prevention of Disease and Injury at the University. Through the work of the Center on injury, Dr. Gwaltney became a major proponent of the use of seat belts in automobiles.

DISCUSSION: The President will propose the establishment of the Jack M. Gwaltney, Jr. Professorship in Infectious Diseases in the School of Medicine.

ACTION REQUIRED: Approval by the Board of Visitors
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE JACK M. GWALTNEY, JR. PROFESSORSHIP IN INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

WHEREAS, Betty Knight Scripps, her late husband Edward Scripps, and Scripps Enterprises, Inc., provided funds to establish the Jack M. Gwaltney, Jr. Professorship in Infectious Diseases; and

WHEREAS, Jack M. Gwaltney, Jr. was graduated from the College of Arts and Sciences in 1952 and the School of Medicine in 1956; and

WHEREAS, Jack M. Gwaltney, Jr. M.D. spent his nearly 40 year career at the University studying infectious diseases, particularly the common cold, thereby becoming the pre-eminent world authority on the common cold; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Gwaltney held the Wade Hampton Frost Professorship in Epidemiology from July 1975 until December 2002; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Gwaltney retired from the University in 2003 and was elected Professor Emeritus;

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors establishes the Jack M. Gwaltney, Jr. Professorship in Infectious Diseases, to be held in the School of Medicine; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, the Board thanks Betty Knight Scripps and Scripps Enterprises, Inc., for their generous gifts to the University, including the funds which made this chair possible.
BACKGROUND: Richard and Leslie Gilliam made a gift to establish the Van W. Daniel, III Professorship in Chemistry at The University of Virginia’s College at Wise. The professorship honors Van W. Daniel’s extraordinary and longtime service to the College, its students, and the Department of Natural Sciences. Mr. Gilliam is a 1974 graduate of The University of Virginia’s College at Wise, then Clinch Valley College.

Upon approval of the College Board, the request for the establishment of the Van W. Daniel, III Professorship in Chemistry was forwarded to the Board of Visitors for consideration.

DISCUSSION: The President will propose the establishment of the Van W. Daniel, III Professorship in Chemistry at The University of Virginia’s College at Wise.

ACTION REQUIRED: Approval by the Board of Visitors
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE VAN W. DANIEL, III PROFESSORSHIP IN CHEMISTRY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA’S COLLEGE AT WISE

WHEREAS, Van W. Daniel has served the College and its students since 1970 and spent a considerable amount of that time as chair of the Department of Natural Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Daniel’s unwavering and extraordinary commitment to the College, his students, and the Department of Natural Sciences has been instrumental in the College’s continuing growth and achievements in the Natural Sciences; and

WHEREAS, through the generosity of Richard and Leslie Gilliam, funds were garnered to honor Mr. Daniel by establishing a permanent endowed professorship; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of this endowed professorship will further academic excellence within the College community;

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors establishes the Van W. Daniel, III Professorship in Chemistry at The University of Virginia’s College at Wise; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, the Board of Visitors thanks Richard and Leslie Gilliam for their generosity and support of The University of Virginia’s College at Wise.