

November 16, 2010

MEMORANDUM

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

W. Heywood Fralin, Chair  
The Honorable Alan A. Diamonstein  
Susan Y. Dorsey  
Marvin W. Gilliam Jr.  
Austin Ligon  
Vincent J. Mastracco Jr.  
John O. Wynne, Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

A. Macdonald Caputo	Glynn D. Key
Hunter E. Craig	Mark J. Kington
Helen E. Dragas	Randal J. Kirk
Robert D. Hardie	The Honorable Lewis F. Payne
Sheila C. Johnson	Stewart H. Ackerly

FROM: Susan G. Harris

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Committee on The University of Virginia's  
College at Wise Meeting on November 16, 2010

The Board of Visitors Committee on The University of Virginia's College at Wise met, in Open Session in the Board Room of the Rotunda, at 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, November 16, 2010; W. Heywood Fralin, Chair, presided.

Present were The Honorable Alan A. Diamonstein, Ms. Susan Y. Dorsey, Marvin W. Gilliam Jr., Vincent J. Mastracco Jr., and John O. Wynne, Rector.

Present as well were A. Macdonald Caputo, Hunter E. Craig, Ms. Helen E. Dragas, and Stewart H. Ackerly.

Present, too, were Ms. Teresa A. Sullivan, Leonard W. Sandridge, Ms. Susan G. Harris, Paul J. Forch, Ms. Susan A. Carkeek, Steven T. DeKosky, M.D., James L. Hilton, R. Edward Howell, Ms. Patricia M. Lampkin, Marcus L. Martin, M.D., David J. Prior, Ms. Yoke San L. Reynolds, Ms. Colette Sheehy, Thomas C. Skalak, and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

ACTION ITEM: Appointments to the College at Wise Board

The Chair introduced David J. Prior, the Chancellor of the College at Wise. He presented brief biographical information on those the College wished to appoint to the College at Wise Board.

On motion, the Committee authorized the appointment of four individuals to the College at Wise Board, two for two-year terms and two for three-year terms, and recommended the following resolution for approval by the full Board:

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

RESOLVED, Messrs. George E. Hunnicutt and Ronald B. Sturgill are appointed to The University of Virginia's College at Wise Board for a two-year term ending June 30, 2012, in accordance with the Board's Bylaws;

RESOLVED FURTHER, Messrs. James N.L. Humphreys and Lewey K. Lee are appointed to The University of Virginia's College at Wise Board for a three-year term ending June 30, 2013, in accordance with the Board's Bylaws.

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Remarks by the Chair of the Committee

The Chair mentioned the recent retreat of the University of Virginia's College at Wise Board. He said they discussed the future of the school and agreed it might be beneficial to undertake a long range strategic study to determine its future direction. Also, graduation rates should be reviewed for opportunities to improve.

Report by the Chancellor

Mr. Prior provided information regarding Fall 2010 enrollment at the College. Full time students have increased, and 93% of the students are Virginians. There are a total of 18 fewer students than last year. Minorities make up 12.3% of the student body. He provided other statistics about the entering class. The entering class contains 18% who self-identified as minorities.

A decrease in budget since 2008 of \$4 million on a total budget of about \$32 million is causing some direct impact on the students, particularly the decrease in faculty which necessitates a more restrictive curriculum. It is very important to replace eight faculty at a minimum.

The Advisory Board planning retreat focused on the budget cuts and the capital campaign. The planning exercise, mentioned by the Chair and named "Envisioning 2020, a Blueprint for Success", is underway. It will look at curricular offerings, facilities, and other factors.

Goals are three for the Committee on the College at Wise: to implement a comprehensive planning program which goes beyond the SCHEV reporting environment; to develop a plan to improve retention, progression and graduation rates beyond 70%, including looking more aggressively at admission; and to develop a comprehensive health and wellness program to complement the RAM program. All three goals will have clearly defined measures and Mr. Prior will report on progress at every Committee meeting.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

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