UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
BOARD OF VISITORS
MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON
THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA'S
COLLEGE AT WISE
February 24, 2011
COMMITTEE ON THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA’S COLLEGE AT WISE

Thursday, February 24, 2011
4:15 – 4:45 p.m.
Board Room, The Rotunda

Committee Members:
W. Heywood Fralin, Chair
The Hon. Alan A. Diamonstein
Susan Y. Dorsey
Marvin W. Gilliam Jr.
Austin Ligon
Vincent J. Mastracco Jr.
John O. Wynne, Ex-officio

AGENDA

I. REPORT ON THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA’S COLLEGE AT WISE (Messrs. Fralin and Prior)
   A. Remarks by Chair of the Committee
   B. Report by the Chancellor
      • 2010-2011 Goals for the Committee on The University of Virginia’s College at Wise

II. THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA’S COLLEGE AT WISE ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION IN ANOTHER BOARD OF VISITORS COMMITTEE
   • BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE
      o Accessibility Walkway Project Design
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COMMITTEE: The University of Virginia's College at Wise

AGENDA ITEM: I.A. Remarks by the Chair of the Committee

ACTION REQUIRED: None

BACKGROUND: Mr. Heywood Fralin, Chair of The University of Virginia’s College at Wise Committee, will provide opening remarks.
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AGENDA ITEM: I.B. 2010-2011 Goals for the Committee on The University of Virginia’s College at Wise

ACTION REQUIRED: None

BACKGROUND: The following goals were established for the Committee on The University of Virginia’s College at Wise for 2010-2011:

1. Develop a comprehensive planning program, “Envisioning 2020; a Blueprint for Success.” This would include comparing UVA Wise to peer institutions in terms of graduation rates, ratings, faculty/student ratios, faculty salaries, in-state/out-of-state student population, enrollments in STEM courses, available financial aid, student, faculty and administrative diversity, endowment, and employment opportunities after graduation.

2. Develop a plan to improve retention, progression, and six year graduation rates to a percentage above 70%. This will require additional scholarship funds and additional counseling for families and students. A plan will be devised to provide these additional resources. Additionally a plan will be developed to increase four year graduation rates.

3. Develop a comprehensive regional health and wellness program to complement the current summer rural area medical event in Wise supported by the University of Virginia Health System personnel. This plan will tie existing outside efforts with University programs.
DISCUSSION: The following is a progress report as of February 2011:

1. Envisioning 2020

- The Planning Committee has been appointed and began work on January 14, 2011.
- The College Board, including Mr. Fralin, engaged in a preliminary planning retreat.
- The Senior Staff has met to design the strategic planning process.
- The Department of Natural Sciences is examining the content of introductory science courses to better focus on pre-health programs, as part of our STEM initiative.

2. Retention/Graduation Rates

- An in-depth analysis of the retention and progression of students admitted in "provisional" status has begun.
- Mr. Prior met with Governor Baliles to review the Patrick County Educational Foundation initiative.

3. Health and Wellness Program

- The Healthy Appalachia Institute received a second year of funding and designation as an emerging institute with the National Network of Public Health Institutes. Funding is provided by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Our appointed mentor is Dr. Karen Minyard, executive director of the Georgia Health Policy Center.
- Our collaboration with the UVa Health System on the Healthy Appalachia Works $1m grant from the Virginia Tobacco Commission is focused on cancer prevention, education, and screening. The grant ends July 31, 2011.
Meetings will be held this month on childhood wellness activities in order to explore funding opportunities. We are seeking funding for a telemedicine site on the UVa-Wise Campus that would be integrated into the College’s nursing curriculum and U.Va’s Telemedicine program. Both U.Va. and the College at Wise nursing programs are partnering with the Health Wagon in Dickenson County on a $1.5 million Health Resources and Services Administration grant for nurseManaged practices.