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MEETING OF THE
SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH
February 24, 2012
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Friday, February 25, 2012
2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Board Room, The Rotunda

Committee Members:
Randal J. Kirk, Chair    Stephen P. Long, M.D.
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AGENDA

• REPORTS BY THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR RESEARCH (Mr. Skalak)
  A. Sustainability Institute at UVa (Mr. Skalak to introduce Mr. Jeffrey Plank, Associate Vice President for Research, Ms. Karen McGlathery, Professor of Environmental Science, and Ms. Katie White, Commerce student; Mr. Plank, Mesdames McGlathery and White to report)
  B. Innovation Partnerships and Commercialization: Development of UVa-facing Venture Funds (Mr. Skalak to introduce Mr. Mark Crowell; Mr. Crowell to report)
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AGENDA ITEM: A. Sustainability Institute at UVa

ACTION REQUIRED: None

DISCUSSION: Mr. Skalak will introduce Jeffrey Plank, who will report on the UVa Sustainability initiative and its envisioned impact, including several examples of current projects under development with faculty and students from multiple schools. The work spans coastal ecosystems preservation, role of the built environment, and watershed systems science and management. The projects also involve multiple external partners including non-governmental agencies and foundations and major corporations. Jeffrey Plank will introduce Karen McGlathery, an expert on coastal ecosystems and Katie White, 3rd year undergraduate student in Commerce who is involved in the UVA Bay Game.
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ACTION REQUIRED: None

DISCUSSION: Mr. Skalak will introduce Mr. Mark Crowell, Executive Director, UVa Innovation, and Associate Vice President of Research. Mr. Crowell will report on the development of a new integrated UVa Innovation group at the university, and its impact on faculty and students. The report will include discussion of new corporate partnerships and possible models and partners for a proposed UVa Innovation Accelerator and associated UVa-facing venture funds for commercializing UVa-derived technologies.