MEMORANDUM

TO: The Student Affairs and Athletics Committee:

Robert D. Hardie, Chair
A. Macdonald Caputo
Allison Cryor DiNardo
Marvin W. Gilliam Jr.
Glynn D. Key
George Keith Martin
John L. Nau III
Timothy B. Robertson
Jonathan B. Overdevest
Helen E. Dragas, Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

Hunter E. Craig
The Hon. Alan A. Diamonstein
W. Heywood Fralin
Mark J. Kington
Randal J. Kirk
Stephen P. Long, M.D.
Vincent J. Mastracco Jr.
Edward D. Miller, M.D., Ex Officio

FROM: Susan G. Harris

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Student Affairs and Athletics Committee Meeting on February 23, 2012

The Student Affairs and Athletics Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 4:05 p.m., Thursday, February 23, 2012, in the Board Room of the Rotunda; Robert D. Hardie, Chair, presided.

A. Macdonald Caputo, Ms. Allison Cryor DiNardo, Marvin W. Gilliam Jr., Ms. Glynn D. Key, George Keith Martin, John L. Nau III, Timothy B. Robertson, Jonathan B. Overdevest, and Ms. Helen E. Dragas, Rector, were present.
Also present were Hunter E. Craig, The Hon. Alan A. Diamonstein, W. Heywood Fralin, Mark J. Kington, Stephen P. Long, M.D., and Vincent J. Mastracco Jr.

Present as well were Ms. Teresa A. Sullivan, Michael Strine, John D. Simon, Ms. Susan G. Harris, Paul J. Forch, Ms. Susan A. Carkeek, James L. Hilton, Ms. Patricia M. Lampkin, Craig K. Littlepage, Simeon E. Ewing, Ms. Yoke San L. Reynolds, Ms. Colette Sheehy, and Ms. Debra D. Rinker.

Two students, Alexander Allen and Ms. Florette King, were in attendance as presenters.

Supporting the Experience of Students Studying Abroad

The Chair called on Ms. Patricia M. Lampkin, Vice President and Chief Student Affairs Officer, to report on the experience of students studying abroad. Ms. Lampkin said there are more than 50 faculty-led study abroad programs sponsored by the University in a wide variety of locations and fields of study. Students may also pursue programs on an individual basis. Ms. Lampkin said there is a major emphasis on the safety of students studying abroad. She said one of the issues they have is students are so involved in the life of the University that they do not want to leave for a semester, however, students are encouraged to study and live in another culture. Opportunities such as J Term and summer programs are good options for students who feel they cannot leave Grounds for a full semester.

Ms. Lampkin introduced Mr. P. Alexander Allen, a third-year English major from Newport News, and Ms. Florette King, who is pursuing a master’s in Public Health from the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. Ms. King also took her B.A. in Global Development Studies and Sociology from the College of Arts and Sciences in May of 2011.

Mr. Allen spoke about the importance of his experience on the Semester at Sea ship. Mr. Allen participated in the 2011 summer program. He said he learned a great deal about other cultures and about himself, and he provided some anecdotes from the experience. Ms. King spoke about her participation in the ESAVANA program in Southern Africa, a program that is part of both the Anthropology and Environmental Sciences departments.

Athletics Department Budget Presentation

The Chair called on Mr. Craig Littlepage, Director of Athletics, to present a revised long-term financial plan. Mr. Littlepage said the Athletics Department presented a 12 year budget plan to the Board of Visitors at its November 2010 meeting, based on the new ACC television agreement revenue projections. Due to the continued
economic uncertainty related to fundraising, football and basketball revenues, as well as the 2011 ACC expansion, the plan has been adjusted in a number of ways. Assumptions going forward include meeting football and basketball ticket revenue targets every year in order to be able to transfer projected operating reserves in the future, and the Virginia Athletics Foundation shall continue to be responsible for funding all scholarship expenses. Mr. Littlepage said any senior coaching staff transition requiring a payout in the first five years of the plan will greatly reduce projected cash reserves.

Mr. Littlepage showed several graphs comparing the projections made in 2010 with the current projections. Endowment growth will be significantly less than projected two years ago.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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