UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
BOARD OF VISITORS
MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON
THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA'S
COLLEGE AT WISE
MAY 22, 2012
Committee Members:
Marvin W. Gilliam Jr., Chair                   Stephen P. Long, M.D.
W. Heywood Fralin                             George Keith Martin
Robert D. Hardie                              John L. Nau III
                                                Helen E. Dragas, Ex-officio

AGENDA

I. ACTION ITEM (Mr. Gilliam)
   • Reappointments to the College at Wise Board  1

II. REPORT ON THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA’S COLLEGE AT WISE (Mr. Gilliam to introduce Mr. Simeon E. Ewing and Mr. John Sanders Huguenin; Messrs. Gilliam, Ewing, and Huguenin to report)
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   A. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE
      o Easement: To Town of Wise, installation of storm water piping
   B. FINANCE COMMITTEE
      1. 2012-2013 Operating Budget
      2. Disposition of Property in Wise
BOARD MEETING: May 22, 2012

COMMITTEE: The University of Virginia's College at Wise

AGENDA ITEM: Reappointments to the Wise Board

BACKGROUND: The University of Virginia's College at Wise has a local board that is appointed by the Board of Visitors. The Wise Board serves in an advisory capacity to the Chancellor of the College, the President of the University, and the Board of Visitors on matters pertaining to The University of Virginia's College at Wise.

DISCUSSION: The Nominating Committee recommends the following persons for reappointment to the College's Board for terms ending June 30, 2016:

- Marcia Adams Gilliam - Ms. Gilliam is a native of Norton, Virginia and currently resides in Bristol, Virginia. She is a 1982 graduate of the College. During her undergraduate years, she was a distinguished student and a member of the tennis team. She serves as chair of the College’s Board, and is co-chair of the College’s Campaign Cabinet.

- Don M. Green - Mr. Green attended The University of Virginia's College at Wise and received a B.S. from East Tennessee State University. He has done additional work at the School of Bank Management of the University of Virginia and Stonier Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers. He is chair of The University of Virginia’s College at Wise Foundation Board, and is the Executive Director and Vice President of the Napoleon Hill Foundation.

- George E. Hunnicutt Jr. - Mr. Hunnicutt is a lifelong resident of Norton, Virginia. He attended The University of Virginia's College at Wise from 1970-1972, transferring to the University of Virginia, where he earned a B.S. in Commerce and a Juris Doctor. He is a local businessman currently serving as president of the Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company. Mr. Hunnicutt also serves on The University of Virginia’s College at Wise Foundation Board.
Ronald B. Sturgill – Mr. Sturgill is a native of Wise County, but currently resides in Burling, N.C. He attended The University of Virginia’s College at Wise (Clinch Valley College) from 1954 to 1956. He also attended Beckley Memorial Hospital School of Medical Technology, Concord College, and Central Michigan College. He is retired from Laboratory Corporation of America (formerly Roche Biomedical Laboratories) where he was Executive Vice President. Mr. Sturgill also serves on The University of Virginia’s College at Wise Foundation Board.

ACTION REQUIRED: Approval by the Committee on The University of Virginia’s College at Wise and by the Board of Visitors

REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA’S COLLEGE AT WISE

RESOLVED, Ms. Marcia Adams Gilliam, Mr. Don M. Green, Mr. George E. Hunnicutt Jr., and Mr. Ronald B. Sturgill are reappointed to The University of Virginia's College at Wise Board for four-year terms ending June 30, 2016, in accordance with the Board's bylaws.
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BOARD OF VISITORS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

BOARD MEETING: May 22, 2012

COMMITTEE: The University of Virginia’s College at Wise

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

ACTION REQUIRED: None

BACKGROUND: Mr. Marvin Gilliam, chair of The University of Virginia’s College at Wise Committee, will make brief remarks.
BOARD MEETING: May 22, 2012

COMMITTEE: The University of Virginia’s College at Wise

AGENDA ITEM: II.B. Chancellor’s Search

ACTION REQUIRED: None

BACKGROUND: Because of the death of David J. Prior, Chancellor at The University of Virginia’s College at Wise, a search for a chancellor is underway.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Sullivan will report on the chancellor’s search.
BOARD MEETING: May 22, 2012

COMMITTEE: The University of Virginia's College at Wise

AGENDA ITEM: II.C.1. NCAA Division II Application

ACTION REQUIRED: None

BACKGROUND: UVa-Wise is currently a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and Mid-South Conference. The College administration and athletics department have studied conference and national athletic affiliations. The results of the study indicated several advantages to pursuing NCAA Division II membership.

DISCUSSION: UVa-Wise is more closely aligned philosophically with the NCAA compared to the NAIA. NCAA Division II is based on a unique “life in the balance” platform that emphasizes learning, balance, resourcefulness, sportsmanship, passion, and service. The NCAA follows a partial scholarship model and places high priority on student-athlete academic success.
BACKGROUND: The improvement of retention and graduation rates are central goals of both the College’s Six-Year Plan and of the strategic vision produced by the Envisioning 2020 planning committee. A number of measures are being implemented in pursuit of these goals. This fall, the College applied higher admission standards to incoming freshmen. An early alert system to identify at-risk students in the first weeks of school has been launched and continues to be developed. The Freshman Seminar has been refined and will focus more deliberately on at-risk students. Through reallocation of funds, the College has hired additional full-time housing personnel. A targeted marketing campaign to recruit students into the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) areas such as Software Engineering and Computer Science is also being implemented. The College has recently received a grant from the Columbus Phipps Foundation to begin supplemental instruction aimed at increasing retention rates in entry-level STEM-H (Health) courses.

DISCUSSION: There are a number of promising preliminary indications of improving retention and graduation rates. The College’s 2011-2012 fall-spring freshman retention rate is 92%, the highest in a decade. Considering the historically strong correlation between mid-year retention and freshman-sophomore retention, this is a very positive indication for the future. The number of graduates is also up, with 304 students having applied for graduation this year. While this number typically declines slightly by May, it is significantly ahead of historic averages. Over the last five years, the College has averaged 268 graduates per year. The 10-year average is 262.
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COMMITTEE: The University of Virginia's College at Wise

AGENDA ITEM: II.C.3. Crockett Award

ACTION REQUIRED: None

BACKGROUND: In 1995, Clinch Valley College presented its first Samuel R. Crockett Award. The award is named for Samuel R. Crockett Jr., who in 1954 was the University's extension division representative in Southwest Virginia. Mr. Crockett was instrumental in the early efforts to establish a branch campus in Wise. The award is presented to an individual who has made significant efforts toward strengthening the relationship between the University of Virginia and the College.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Ewing will announce the 2012 recipient of the award and make the presentation.