

June 13, 1997

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Educational Policy Committee:

Elizabeth A. Twohy, Chair
John P. Ackerly, III
T. Keister Greer
Elsie Goodwyn Holland
Kristine L. LaLonde
Terence P. Ross
Walter F. Walker
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and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

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James C. Wheat, III

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Educational Policy
Committee on June 13, 1997

The Educational Policy Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 2:15 p.m., Friday, June 13, 1997, in the East Oval Room of the Rotunda; Ms. Elizabeth A. Twohy, Chair, presided. John P. Ackerly, III, Mrs. Elsie Goodwyn Holland, Ms. Kristine L. LaLonde, Terence P. Ross, and Hovey S. Dabney, Rector, were present. Also present were Franklin K. Birkhead, Charles M. Caravati, Jr., Champ Clark, William G. Crutchfield, Jr., William H. Goodwin, Jr., C. Wilson McNeely, III, and Henry L. Valentine, II; as well as John T. Casteen, III, Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Peter W. Low, Paul J. Forch, Leonard W. Sandridge, Jr., Robert W. Cantrell, Ernest H. Ern, Robert D. Sweeney, Don E. Detmer, Ms. Polley Ann McClure, Gene Block, Melvyn Leffler, Carl P. Zeithaml, and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

The Chair asked Mr. Low, Vice President and Provost, to present the Agenda.

Mr. Low presented three Consent Agenda items, policies referred to the Educational Policy Committee by the Ad-Hoc Committee on Policy Reform for possible revision. He proposed resolutions rescinding the Resolution on Classified Information, the Policy on the Protection of Human Subjects in Medical Research, and the Policy on Compensation for Summer Employment. The resolution on the last of these also established a new Policy.

On motion, the Committee adopted these resolutions and recommended them to the full Board for approval (see Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, June 13, 1997).

Departing from the printed Agenda, Mr. Low introduced Mr. Carl P. Zeithaml, who will become Dean of the McIntire School of Commerce on July 1st, and Mr. Melvyn Leffler, Edward R. Stettinius Professor of Modern American History, who has just been named Dean of Arts & Sciences, a position he will assume on September 1st. Messrs. Zeithaml and Leffler addressed the Committee briefly.

Mr. Low reported that the School of Engineering and Applied Science intends to change the name of the Department of Civil Engineering and Applied Mechanics to the Department of Civil Engineering. As this is an internal matter, the change will be reported to the State Council for Higher Education who will give automatic approval.

Mr. Low noted that two University Policies, the Copyright Policy and the Patent Policy were referred to the Educational Policy Committee by the Ad-Hoc Committee on Policy Reform for review. Both are in need of revision but both require extensive study before this can be done. Mr. Low said he hoped it would be possible to present proposed revisions to the Board at the November meeting.

Mr. Low then introduced Mr. Gene Block, Vice Provost for Research, and asked him to report to the Committee on some of his duties. Mr. Block said he would talk about research at the University as it relates to technology transfer. Some of this is accomplished, he said, by graduation - students are trained, graduate, and use what they have learned. Faculty research is another means, and he described some of the arrangements under which individual faculty research is used commercially outside the University. Royalties from some of this is used to support

further research and a great many other activities at the University. The University ranks tenth in the country in royalties of this kind that it generates - a remarkable feat considering the size and scope of research efforts at some of the other top institutions.

Mr. Block then described five examples of research at the University that have been transferred to the Patent Foundation. He also described how research at the University benefits the community at large.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

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