

June 13, 1997

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Student Affairs and Athletics Committee:

C. Wilson McNeely, III, Chair
Franklin K. Birckhead
Charles M. Caravati, Jr., M.D.
Champ Clark
Elsie Goodwyn Holland
Kristine L. LaLonde
Walter F. Walker
Hovey S. Dabney, Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

John P. Ackerly, III	Terence P. Ross
William G. Crutchfield, Jr.	Albert H. Small
William H. Goodwin, Jr.	Elizabeth A. Twohy
T. Keister Greer	Henry L. Valentine, II
James C. Wheat, III	

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Student Affairs and
Athletics Committee on June 13, 1997

The Student Affairs and Athletics Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 9:15 a.m., Friday, June 13, 1997, in the East Oval Room of the Rotunda; C. Wilson McNeely, III, Chair, presided. Franklin K. Birckhead, Charles M. Caravati, Jr., Champ Clark, Mrs. Elsie Goodwyn Holland, Ms. Kristine L. LaLonde, and Hovey S. Dabney, Rector, were present. Also present were John P. Ackerly, III, William G. Crutchfield, Jr., William H. Goodwin, Jr., Terence P. Ross, Ms. Elizabeth A. Twohy, and Henry L. Valentine, II; as well as John T. Casteen, Jr., Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., William W. Harmon, Paul J. Forch, Leonard W. Sandridge, Jr., Peter W. Low, Robert W. Cantrell, Robert D. Sweeney, Ms. Polley Ann McClure, Ernest H. Ern, Don E. Detmer, Ms. Colette Capone, Terry Holland,

Eddie Daniels, Lawrence Simpson, Ms. Mary McDaniel, Donald C. Riggins, Jr., and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

The Chair asked Mr. Harmon, Vice President for Student Affairs, to present the Agenda.

Mr. Harmon noted that the first two items on the Agenda were Consent Agenda Items, both being Policies that the Ad-Hoc Committee on Policy Reform had sent to the Student Affairs and Athletics Committee with the recommendation that they be revised or rescinded. The first, Student Participation Policy, Mr. Harmon recommended be rescinded. For the second, Standing Policy on Administration of Athletics and the Advisory Council on Athletics, Mr. Harmon asked Mr. Holland, Director of Athletics, for comments.

Mr. Holland described the changes in the Policy proposed by the resolution. The Chair told the Committee that paragraph 4 of the resolution had been changed to read as follows: "That the administration of the Department of Athletics shall be under the supervision of the President and administrative authorities of the University."

Mr. Birckhead said he thought the paragraph was superfluous and he recommended eliminating it altogether. There was considerable discussion of this, which ended when the Committee, with Mrs. Holland abstaining, voted to approve the resolution with the elimination of paragraph four.

The Committee, then, voted to approve the resolution rescinding the Student Participation Policy and to approve the resolution, as amended, revising the Standing Policy on Administration of Athletics and the Advisory Council on Athletics. Both resolutions were recommended to the full Board for approval (see Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, June 14, 1997).

Revising the order of the Agenda somewhat, Mr. Harmon introduced Ms. Mary McDaniel, Director of Career Placement in the McIntire School of Commerce, and asked her to report on Career Placement.

Ms. McDaniel said that her office is one of three satellite offices of the Office of Career Planning and Placement, the others being in the School of Engineering and the School of Architecture. She told the Committee that a record number of

recruiters visited the University this year, including representatives of public relations firms and sports-oriented companies who do not normally recruit here. Another trend apparent this year is that firms who normally hire only students with narrowly defined technical expertise, have offered jobs to people without technical specialties.

Ms. McDaniel described ways in which the Office of Career Planning and Placement is using - and plans to use - technology. For example, she said students soon will be able to interview on-line.

Mr. Harmon then introduced Mr. Eddie Daniels, Director of Newcomb Hall, and asked him to report on the plans for Newcomb Hall and on the current construction. Mr. Daniels reminded the Committee that not only is there renovation work being done on the building, an addition to it is being built which will raise the total space in Newcomb Hall from 192,000 square feet to 198,000 square feet.

Mr. Daniels introduced Mr. Donald Riggan of the Office of Facilities Management; Mr. Riggan is the Project Manager for the Newcomb Hall project.

Using slides, Mr. Riggan showed the Committee something of what the building is to look like when the construction work is done. He noted that the project is costing some \$13m and that it is about 94% complete at this point. He said he expected it to be done sometime between the end of June and the middle of August.

Mr. Daniels showed the Committee a color-coded floor plan of the building as it will be when it is finished and space has been allocated to various activities and organizations. There will be four new meeting rooms, he noted, and office space for twenty student organizations.

Ms. LaLonde said she had toured the building recently; it will be beautiful and much more accessible when it is finished. She suggested, however, that the new signs for the building identify it not only as "Newcomb Hall," but as the "University Union."

The President recalled something of the history of the building and said that President Darden, who paid for much of the building himself, thought it important for it to be called "Newcomb Hall" after President Newcomb, his predecessor. The

President suggested that signs for the renovated building might have both "Newcomb Hall" and "University Union."

Mr. Goodwin moved that this be done and the Committee voted to approve his recommendation.

The President also suggested that a brochure be prepared with the history of the building.

Mr. Harmon reminded the Committee that at its April meeting, they had heard a student presentation on mediation. It was the intent of those students to return to the Committee at the June meeting to request agency status for a mediation committee. Mr. Harmon proposed instead that he work with the students to try to provide what they seek. He commented that agency status has been granted to very few student organizations.

Mr. Harmon then asked Ms. LaLonde to read a resolution passed by Student Council on April 29th to commend the service of Messrs. Caplin, Dalhouse, Jessee, and Leon as members of the Board of Visitors (see Attachment).

The Chair asked Mr. Holland, Director of Athletics, if he had anything to report. Mr. Holland replied with a brief comment on recently completed athletic facilities: the McCue Center, Klockner Stadium, the new tennis courts, The Park, the Aquatic and Fitness Center and improvements to Scott Stadium. He noted the impact these have had on the University community.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

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