

November 7, 1997

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Buildings and Grounds Committee:

Albert H. Small, Chair
Champ Clark
William G. Crutchfield, Jr.
William H. Goodwin, Jr.
Kristine L. LaLonde
James C. Wheat, III
Hovey S. Dabney, Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

John P. Ackerly, III	C. Wilson McNeely, III
Franklin K. Birckhead	Terence P. Ross
Charles M. Caravati, Jr., M.D.	Elizabeth A. Twohy
T. Keister Greer	Henry L. Valentine, II
Elsie Goodwyn Holland	Walter F. Walker

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Buildings and Grounds
Committee on November 7, 1997

The Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 11:15 a.m., Friday, November 7, 1997, in the East Oval Room of the Rotunda; Albert H. Small, Chair, presided. Champ Clark, William G. Crutchfield, Jr., William H. Goodwin, Jr., Ms. Kristine L. LaLonde, James C. Wheat, III, and Hovey S. Dabney, Rector, were present. Also present were John P. Ackerly, III, Franklin K. Birckhead, Charles M. Caravati, Jr., T. Keister Greer, Mrs. Elsie Goodwyn Holland, C. Wilson McNeely, III, Terence P. Ross, Ms. Elizabeth A. Twohy,

Henry L. Valentine, II, and Walter F. Walker; as well as John T. Casteen, III, Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Ms. Colette Capone, Paul J. Forch, Leonard W. Sandridge, Jr., Robert W. Cantrell, Peter W. Low, Ernest H. Ern, Robert D. Sweeney, Don E. Detmer, Ms. Polley Ann McClure, L. Jay Lemons, Samuel A. Anderson, III, and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

The Chair asked Ms. Capone, Vice President for Management and Budget, to present the Agenda.

Ms. Capone reminded the Committee that the first two items on the Agenda constituted a Consent Agenda. The first of these was the approval of the update of the Clinch Valley College Master Plan. The Committee reviewed the Plan in situ at a joint meeting of the Committee and the Clinch Valley College Advisory Committee at the College on September 8 (see Minutes of the Joint Meeting, dated September 8, 1997) and the Plan was approved subsequently by the Clinch Valley College Advisory Council on October 10th.

The second Consent Agenda Item was the revision of the Athletic Signs Policy, an action that was recommended by the Special Committee on Policy Reform.

On motion, the Committee approved both Items and recommended them to the full Board for approval (see Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, November 8, 1997).

Turning to the Action Items on the Agenda, Ms. Capone asked Mr. Anderson, the Architect for the University, to lead the discussion.

Mr. Anderson explained briefly the first Item, the architectural design guidelines for the expansion of Scott Stadium. Ms. Capone reminded the Committee that because this is a "rush" project, both the schematic and preliminary designs will be presented to the Committee and the full Board for approval in January.

On motion, the Committee adopted a resolution approving the architectural design guidelines for the Scott Stadium expansion and recommended it to the full Board for approval (see Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, November 8, 1997).

In presenting the next Item, the architectural design guidelines for the Biomedical Engineering and Medical Science Building, Mr. Anderson discussed the general concept of the plans for the East Precinct, particularly in the context of the new building.

On motion, the Committee adopted a resolution approving the architectural guidelines for the Biomedical Engineering and Medical Science Building, and recommended it to the full Board for approval (see Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, November 8, 1997).

Ms. Capone told the Committee that the proposed East Precinct Chiller will provide chilled water for the entire East Precinct of the Health Sciences Center, and will supplant several inefficient and outmoded chillers attached to individual buildings. The General Assembly authorized \$810,000 in planning money and a request for construction authorization has been submitted to the Governor for the 1998-2000 Biennium. Mr. Anderson described briefly the process used in selecting the proposed engineers for the project and he assured the Committee that the firm, RMF Engineering of Baltimore, is well qualified to do the work.

On motion, the Committee adopted a resolution approving the selection of RMF Engineering, Inc. of Baltimore to perform architectural and engineering services for the East Precinct Chiller Plant, and recommended it to the full Board for approval (see Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, November 8, 1997).

Ms. Capone and Mr. Anderson discussed briefly the final Action Item, the selection of an architect for renovations to the Emergency Room at the Hospital. They pointed out that emergency patient visits have increased by 38% since 1990 and that the proposed renovations will improve the facilities at the Emergency Room to meet these increased needs. The firm of Ellerbe Becket of Washington, the unanimous choice of the selection committee, was one of sixteen firms who expressed an interest in the project.

On motion, the Committee adopted a resolution approving the selection of Ellerbe Becket for the performance of architectural and engineering services for the Emergency Department renovations, and recommended it to the full Board

for approval (see Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, November 8, 1997).

Using slides and plans, Mr. Anderson then led a discussion of the "Groundswalk," the proposed series of walks and paths that would link the North, Central and West Grounds. He told the Committee that he thought most of the work could be done for around \$2m; this figure does not, however, include the cost of a footbridge across Emmet Street.

Mr. Ross asked if there has been thought given to the possibility of closing Arlington Boulevard. Mr. Sandridge replied that the Darden Sponsors had also expressed interest in controlling through traffic on the North Grounds. He said that traffic control measures of some kind would be considered.

The Chair said he thought the key to a proper Groundswalk is some sort of footbridge over Emmet Street and he wondered what the Board can do to make sure that one is built.

Mr. Goodwin suggested that a little more money be spent, if that is necessary, to make the Groundswalk nicer.

The Chair distributed copies of an article on new dormitories and asked that Members read it.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at noon.

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