MEMORANDUM

TO: The Buildings and Grounds Committee:

Albert H. Small, Chair
J. Michael Allen
William G. Crutchfield, Jr.
William H. Goodwin, Jr.
Terence P. Ross
Benjamin P.A. Warthen
James C. Wheat, III
John P. Ackerly, III, Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

Charles M. Caravati, Jr., M.D. Timothy B. Robertson
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T. Keister Greer Henry L. Valentine, II
Elsie Goodwyn Holland Walter F. Walker
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FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee on January 30, 1999

The Buildings and Grounds Committee of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 9:10 a.m., Saturday, January 30, 1999, in the East Oval Room of the Rotunda; Albert H. Small, Chair, presided. J. Michael Allen, William G. Crutchfield, Jr., William H. Goodwin, Jr., Terence P. Ross, Benjamin P.A. Warthen, and John P. Ackerly, III, Rector, were present. Charles M. Caravati, Jr., T. Keister Greer, Mrs. Elsie Goodwyn Holland, Timothy B. Robertson, Ms. Elizabeth A.
Twohy, Henry L. Valentine, II, and Joseph E. Wolfe were present; as were John T. Casteen, III, Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Richard Kast, Ms. Colette Capone, Leonard W. Sandridge, Jr., Robert W. Cantrell, Peter W. Low, Ms. Polley Ann McClure, Gene D. Block, Terry Holland, Edward A. Snyder, L. Jay Lemons, Samuel A. Anderson, III, Robert P. Dillman, and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

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The Chair asked Ms. Capone, Vice President for Management and Budget, to present the Agenda. Ms. Capone asked – and received – the Chair’s permission to alter somewhat the order of the published Agenda.

Ms. Capone asked Mr. Edward Snyder, Dean of the Darden School, to speak to the Committee about the proposed expansion of the Darden School, what is called collectively “Phase II of the Darden School Grounds.” Mr. Snyder, using diagrams and the Darden Provisional Masterplan, adopted on October 16, 1998, described the expansion. He reminded the Committee that Phase I of the Darden School Grounds was completed in late 1995 with the clear expectation of future expansion. Since then, Darden’s Executive Education programs, its public service offerings, the new offerings in its MBA program, and new research activities – are all expanding beyond the capacities of the existing buildings. It seems clear that the School must enhance its facilities if it is to maintain its reputation and leadership.

The 1998 Provisional Masterplan addresses these needs. Key elements, Mr. Snyder said, are new academic buildings and the proposed Darden Center, which would include a 600 seat auditorium.

Ms. Capone then asked Mr. Anderson, University Architect, to lead a discussion of the proposed replacement for the Admission Office in Miller Hall (Miller Hall, as the Committee has discussed in previous meetings, is badly in need of major structural renovations; it has been proposed to demolish it to make way for a new building which would serve as an entrance to the planned Special Collections Library, to be built underground). Using aerial photographs and sketches, Mr. Anderson outlined a proposed structure which would be built
adjacent to and south of the University Book Store, and across the plaza from Newcomb Hall. The building would be put on the side of a fairly steep hill leading down to Emmet Street; its proximity to the parking garage under the Book Store would give easy access for prospective applicants and their families.

There was considerable discussion about the desirability of the Admission Office in this location. All agreed that it should be adjacent to the Central Grounds, but it was suggested that more thought be given to other locations. The President broached the possibility of moving his office, and other offices in the building, out of Madison Hall and putting the Admission Office there. It was agreed that more thought must be given to these proposals.

Ms. Capone then proposed the Consent Agenda.

The first proposed resolution was for the approval of the selection of an architect for the Information Technology Engineering Building. Ms. Capone emphasized that the project at this point is for a feasibility study only. Burt Hill Kosar Rittelman Associates of Washington is the firm proposed.

The second resolution was for the approval of the Glave Firm of Richmond for the performance of architectural and engineering services for the proposed Admission Building.

The third resolution granted an easement for a water line across University property to serve Michie Tavern on Route 53.

The final resolution authorized the demolition of a shed behind the Peyton House, on the east side of Rugby Road just to the north of Madison Bowl.

After some discussion, it was decided to withdraw the motion – for this meeting, at any rate – to hire an architect for the proposed Admission Building. The Committee’s reason for doing so is that it is unclear whether the Admission Building should be built on the proposed site.

The other three resolutions were approved and recommended to the full Board for action (see Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, January 30, 1999).

The Chair reported on actions taken by the Committee at its meeting of November 14, 1998.

There was a brief discussion of progress on the Scott Stadium Expansion.

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

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