MEMORANDUM

TO: The Buildings and Grounds Committee:

Albert H. Small, Chair
William G. Crutchfield, Jr.
William H. Goodwin, Jr.
Terence P. Ross
Robert G. Schoenvogel
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
Champ Clark Elizabeth A. Twohy
T. Keister Greer Henry L. Valentine, II
Elsie Goodwyn Holland Walter F. Walker
Joseph E. Wolfe

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee on May 14, 1999

The Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 10:40 a.m., Friday, May 14, 1999, in the East Oval Room of the Rotunda; Albert H. Small, Chair, presided. William G. Crutchfield, Jr., William H. Goodwin, Jr., Terence P. Ross, Robert G. Schoenvogel, Benjamin P.A. Warthen, James C. Wheat, III, and John P. Ackerly, III, Rector, were present. Charles M. Caravati, Jr., M.D., Champ Clark, T. Keister Greer, Mrs. Elsie Goodwyn Holland, Ms. Elizabeth A. Twohy, Henry L.
Valentine, II, Walter F. Walker, and Joseph E. Wolfe also were present; as were John T. Casteen, III, Leonard W. Sandridge, Jr., Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Paul J. Forch, Ms. Colette Sheehy Capone, Robert W. Cantrell, M.D., Peter W. Low, William W. Harmon, Samuel A. Anderson, III, and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

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

The first items were Consent Agenda items: the selection of architects for the Environmental Sciences Field Station, for renovations and an addition to the National Radio Astronomy Observatory (NRAO), for the expansion of Hunton and Williams Hall at the Law School, and for the renovation of Peabody Hall. On the latter project, Ms. Capone reminded the Committee that at its meeting on February 25th (see Minutes of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee of that date) it had approved Peabody Hall for use by the Admission Office and approved, as well, the necessary renovation of the building for that purpose. In view of the tight construction schedule necessary to complete this work in order that Miller Hall might be demolished and construction started on the Special Collections Library, the Committee at that meeting authorized Ms. Capone to consult with the Chair and if necessary – and with his approval – to engage an architect. The Chair was out of the country when it became necessary to seek this approval, so with the Chair’s concurrence, Mr. Wheat gave the required authorization.

Bushman Dreyfus Architects of Charlottesville was recommended for the Environmental Sciences Field Station project, The Greenwood Partnership, Ltd., of Williamsburg for the NRAO addition, Train & Spencer Architects of Charlottesville for Hunton and Williams Hall, and the Glave Firm of Richmond for Peabody Hall.

Continuing with the remainder of the Consent Agenda, Ms. Capone proposed the approval of architectural design guidelines for renovations and an addition to Faulkner House, the main building of the Miller Center, and the removal of dilapidated buildings at the Milton Airport and at Birdwood (the Middleton Pool and Cabana).
On motion, the Committee adopted resolutions approving all of the Consent Agenda items, and recommended them to the full Board for approval. (See Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, May 15, 1999.)

Continuing to the Action Agenda, Ms. Capone proposed five design reviews. She asked Mr. Anderson, Architect for the University, to lead the discussion.

The first project, Mr. Anderson told the Committee, will provide renovations and an addition to Clark Hall, the Department of Environmental Sciences and the Science and Engineering Library. Ellenzweig Associates of Cambridge, Massachusetts were approved as the project architect on September 20, 1996 and the architectural guidelines were approved on January 23, 1998; the schematic design was approved by the Committee on April 27th of that year. The project has been substantially redesigned in order to stay within the approved budget.

Representatives of Ellenzweig, using plans, slides and elevations, described the design in detail. There was considerable discussion by Members.

On motion, the Committee adopted a resolution approving the preliminary design for renovations and the addition to Clark Hall, and recommended it to the full Board for approval. (See Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, May 15, 1999.)

The next item on the Action Agenda was the approval of the schematic design for the Special Collections Library. Ms. Capone and Mr. Anderson introduced representatives of Hartman-Cox of Washington, the architects for the project. There was considerable discussion about various aspects of the building which will replace Miller Hall, including the façade and cornice; there were questions, too, about the skylight proposed for the underground portion of the Library. The Committee finally agreed to the proposed schematic design, but with the understanding that the architects would address the Committee's expressed concerns.

On motion, the Committee adopted a resolution approving the schematic design for the Special Collections Library, and
recommended it to the full Board for approval. (See Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, May 15, 1999.)

The Committee quickly approved, in three separate resolutions, the preliminary designs for the Observatory Hill Dining Hall renovation and the Science Building at The University of Virginia's College at Wise, as well as the schematic design for the Student Center at the College at Wise. All three resolutions were recommended to the full Board for approval. (See Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors, May 15, 1999.)

Mr. Wheat suggested that henceforth, the Committee be given color paper prints of slides shown to them in presentations.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

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