MEMORANDUM

TO: The Special Committee on Planning:

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FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Special Committee on Planning on February 7, 2008

The Special Committee on Planning of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 10:00 a.m., on Thursday, February 7, 2008, in the auditorium at the Harrison-Small Institute to hear a presentation by Freeman A. Hrabowski, III, the President of the University of Maryland – Baltimore County. The public was invited to the meeting and there was a large audience.

President Casteen introduced Mr. Hrabowski, calling him a “man whose name is synonymous with excellence in higher education.”
"Since becoming UMBC’s President in 1992,” Mr. Casteen continued, “Mr. Hrabowski has lifted minority and low-income students to the highest levels of academic achievement. At the same time, he has fostered research and entrepreneurialism on the UMBC campus.”

The President went on to say that “President Hrabowski’s research and writing have focused on science and math education, with special emphasis on minority performance.”

President Hrabowski described what the University of Maryland – Baltimore County has done to achieve these successes. He then entertained questions from Members of the Committee and others on the Board, and led a lively discussion.

All Members of the Committee, save Mr. Farrell and Dr. Vaughan, were present, and all remaining Members of the Board, except Mr. Thompson, were there.

The session ended at 12 noon.

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http://www.virginia.edu/bov/specialcommminutes.html