

September 8, 1997

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Buildings and Grounds Committee:

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

The Special Committee on Clinch Valley College:

Champ Clark, Chair	T. Keister Greer
William G. Crutchfield, Jr.	James C. Wheat, III
Hovey S. Dabney, Ex Officio	

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

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

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Buildings and Grounds
Committee on September 8, 1997

The Buildings and Grounds Committee and the Special Committee on Clinch Valley College of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open and Joint Session, at 2:05 p.m., Monday, September 8, 1997, in the Chapel of All Faiths at Clinch Valley College in Wise, Virginia; Albert H. Small, Chair of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, presided. Champ Clark, William G. Crutchfield, Jr., William H. Goodwin, Jr., Ms. Kristine L. LaLonde, and Hovey S. Dabney, Rector, were present. Also present were Franklin K. Birckhead, C. Wilson McNeely, III, and Ms. Elizabeth A. Twohy; as well as Leonard W. Sandridge, Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.,

Ms. Colette Capone, L. Jay Lemons, Samuel A. Anderson, III, Robert P. Dillman, Tom Leback, William Bohn, Ms. Jo Lawson, William A. Thompson, Terrence Williams, and Ms. Jeanne F. Bailes.

The Clinch Valley College Advisory Council was invited to meet with the two Committees. Members of the Council present were Thomas K. Henritze, Joe Tom Howard, Kenneth Asbury, Ms. Eliza S. Rigg, Don R. Pippin, Ms. Valeri Colyer, and Bobby H. Colyer, Sr.

The two Committees traveled to Wise from Charlottesville by air. They were given a tour of the College campus, a tour which emphasized present and future building projects, and lunch at Chancellor and Mrs. Lemons' house. After lunch, they assembled in the Chapel of All Faiths for their business meeting.

The Rector called the meeting to order and turned it over to Mr. Small, Chair of the Buildings and Grounds Committee. The Chair asked Ms. Capone, Vice President for Budget and Administration, to present the Agenda.

Ms. Capone told the Members that the Agenda consisted of a review of the new Clinch Valley College Master Plan. The Buildings and Grounds Committee would not be asked to approve the Plan at this point: it must be considered and approved by the Clinch Valley College Advisory Council at its meeting on October 10th; if the Council approves the Plan, it will be submitted to the Board of Visitors for its approval in November. The Master Plan, she reminded Members, is required by the State.

Ms. Capone asked Mr. Anderson, the Architect for the University, to lead the presentation. Mr. Anderson spoke briefly about the Plan, which he said had been shown in preliminary draft to the State Art and Architecture Review Board in Richmond last winter; the Board commended the Plan which is a very rare thing for them to do.

A good Plan, Mr. Anderson said, should look forward and he had challenged the planners to look ahead fifty years. A good Master Plan, too, is never done and should be revised fairly constantly; in fact, it should be reviewed formally every five years or so.

Mr. Anderson then introduced Mr. William Thompson, of the firm of Thompson-Litton, Inc. of Wise, who were engaged to prepare the Plan. Mr. Thompson, assisted by Mr. Terrence Williams of his staff, discussed the Plan in some detail. The Plan, they noted, assumes an enrollment of 2,000 students by the year 2010.

There were questions from Members about such things as maintenance and landscaping, improving the appearance of some existing buildings and in general creating a more unified architectural and collegiate atmosphere.

In response to a question from Mr. Goodwin, Mr. Lemons estimated the minimum cost of capital construction needs between now and 2010 at \$50m.

Mr. Henritze of the Advisory Council recounted some of the history of the College, pointing out that the College always has had to "make do" with very limited resources. The ugly, square, flat-roofed buildings were built that way out of necessity, not because the College wanted them to be that way. Little can be done to change buildings already built, but he asked Board Members to instruct architects to build better, more permanent, more attractive structures and to provide the College with resources to do this. He assured Members that the College would be a very good steward of anything given to it.

Ms. Capone asked Members if they had comments for the people who devised the Plan. Mr. Goodwin stressed beautification of the campus and wherever possible, "dressing up" existing buildings. The Chair commented that it is very important for the Board, in reviewing building and site plans, to be conscious of its responsibility for insuring architectural integrity.

The Chair and the Rector thanked Mr. Lemons and the Advisory Council for their hospitality and advice.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

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