

June 15, 1999

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. | Elizabeth A. Twohy |
| Champ Clark | Henry L. Valentine, II |
| T. Keister Greer | Walter F. Walker |
| Elsie Goodwyn Holland | Joseph E. Wolfe |
| Timothy B. Robertson | |

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Buildings and
Grounds Committee

The Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 1:10 p.m., Tuesday, June 15, 1999, in the Lower East Oval Room of the Rotunda; Albert H. Small, Chair, presided. William G. Crutchfield, Jr., Benjamin P.A. Warthen, and James C. Wheat, III, were present. Charles M. Caravati, Jr., M.D. also was present; as were Leonard W. Sandridge, Jr., Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Ms. Colette Sheehy Capone, Samuel A. Anderson, III, and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

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

Ms. Capone outlined briefly for the Committee the current concepts of the Master Plan, and asked Mr. Anderson, Architect for the University, to review the Plan.

The Master Plan has been updated by the University since 1965 on a cycle of about eight years (1973, 1982 and 1990). Mr. Anderson, using slides, reviewed these revisions as well as the concepts of the University Grounds as they have evolved over the years since Jefferson's time.

On motion, the Committee adopted a resolution approving the Master Plan.

Mr. Anderson asked Mr. Adam Gross, of the Baltimore firm Ayers Saint Gross, to report on plans for the Groundswalk. Using slides, plans and elevations, Mr. Gross led a detailed discussion of the Groundswalk plans, focussing on such details as the width and paving of the Groundswalk and the design of the bridge which will carry the Groundswalk over Emmet Street.

Mr. Anderson introduced Mr. Walter Cox, of the Washington firm Hartman-Cox Architects. Mr. Cox brought models, elevations and photographs of a design for the Special Collections Library building that is to be built on the site of Miller Hall. There was a lengthy discussion of the design which, on motion, was approved by the Committee with the reservation that the design of the roof may be revised (see the Attachment to these Minutes for copies of elevations of the approved design).

The Chair complimented Mr. Cox on his presentation.

Mr. Wheat asked that steps be built on the hillside at the northwest side of the Rotunda. The place in question is a path, worn through the ivy on the hillside, which has evolved as a shortcut for pedestrians between the colonnade on the western side of the Rotunda and the brick walk that leads to University Avenue at the Rugby Road intersection. The Committee, on motion, seconded Mr. Wheat's request.

The Secretary reported on the work of the special committee appointed by the Rector to study the Pavilion assignment procedures. The committee will have recommendations to be considered by the Board at the Retreat in July.

The Secretary also reported on the action of the Executive Committee assigning Pavilion IX to the new Dean of the School of Architecture for a period not to exceed one year, beginning on or about September 1st.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

AGG:jb

Attachment

Copies to: Mr. John T. Casteen, III
Mr. Paul J. Forch
Mr. Gene D. Block
Dr. Robert W. Cantrell
Mr. Peter W. Low
Mr. Leonard W. Sandridge, Jr.
Mr. Robert D. Sweeney
Mr. Ernest H. Ern
Mr. William W. Harmon
Ms. Colette Capone
Dr. Robert Reynolds
Mr. Terry Holland
Mr. L. Jay Lemons
Ms. Louise Dudley