An orientation of the new Members of the Board of Visitors was conducted in the Roosevelt Room at the Jefferson Hotel in Richmond on Friday, July 25, 2008, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.; the orientation was done in Open Session.

The new Members were Ms. Helen E. Dragas and Robert D. Hardie.

Participating in the orientation were W. Heywood Fralin, Rector; John T. Casteen, III, President; Leonard W. Sandridge, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer; Arthur Garson, Jr., M.D., Executive Vice President and Provost; Paul J. Forch, General Counsel; and Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Secretary to the Board.

The following topics were discussed:

Overall view of the Board, its Committee structure and its workings (Mr. Fralin).

The duties and workings of the Board in the context of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Cautions on conflicts of interest (Mr. Forch).

The University and State appropriations (Mr. Casteen and Mr. Sandridge).

The making of the University budget: timetable of the budget making process and the Board’s involvement in the process (Mr. Sandridge).

The University’s overall rankings in comparison with its peers, together with its aspirations in this regard; the determining factors and the Board’s role (Mr. Casteen).
Review of the University Table of Organization and the responsibilities of the Vice Presidents and others (Mr. Casteen).

Overview – Commission on the Future of the University (Dr. Garson).

Miscellaneous Board housekeeping matters (Mr. Gilliam).

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.
Secretary

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