April 15, 2000

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Educational Policy Committee:

T. Keister Greer, Chair
Elsie Goodwyn Holland
Robert G. Schoenvogel
Elizabeth A. Twohy
Walter F. Walker
Joseph E. Wolfe
John P. Ackerly, III, Ex Officio

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

Thomas J. Bliley, Jr.    Gordon F. Rainey, Jr.
Charles M. Caravati, Jr.    Timothy B. Robertson
William G. Crutchfield, Jr.    Terence P. Ross
Charles L. Glazer    Benjamin P.A. Warthen
William H. Goodwin, Jr.    James C. Wheat, III

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Educational Policy Committee on April 15, 2000

The Educational Policy Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 9:40 a.m., Saturday, April 15, 2000, in the East Oval Room of the Rotunda; T. Keister Greer, Chair, presided. Mrs. Elsie Goodwyn Holland, Ms. Elizabeth A. Twohy, Joseph E. Wolfe, Robert G. Schoenvogel, and John P. Ackerly, III, Rector, were present.

Present as well were Thomas J. Bliley, Jr., Charles M. Caravati, Jr., M.D., William G. Crutchfield, Jr., Charles L. Glazer, William H. Goodwin, Jr., Gordon F. Rainey, Jr.,
Timothy B. Robertson, Terence P. Ross, Benjamin P.A. Warthen, and James C. Wheat, III.


The Chair asked Mr. Low, Vice President and Provost, to present the Agenda.

Mr. Low introduced Ms. Patricia Werhane, the Chair-elect of the Faculty Senate, and Mr. David Gies, the current Chair, and asked Mr. Gies to report on recent activities of the Senate.

Mr. Gies recounted the achievements of the Senate over the past year.

The Rector commented on the report of the Governor’s Blue Ribbon Commission on Higher Education, recently published, and appointed a special committee of the Board to study the report and its implications for the University and report back to the full Board at the June meeting. He asked Mesdames Holland and Twohy and Messrs. Greer, Robertson, and Rainey to serve on the committee.

Mr. Robertson, who served on the Blue Ribbon Commission, commented briefly on the report. The Chair then analyzed portions of the report that pertain to the duties and responsibilities of the Board.

The Rector asked Mrs. Holland, the Board’s Liaison to the State Council for Higher Education, to report on the State Council meeting of April 7th.

Mr. Wheat suggested that applicable parts of the Blue Ribbon Commission report be discussed at the Board Retreat in July.
The President commented at length on the Blue Ribbon Commission report and on the accountability issues Mrs. Holland reported from the State Council conference.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.