MEMORANDUM

TO: The Committee on the University of Virginia’s College at Wise:

William G. Crutchfield, Jr., Chair
Thomas J. Bliley, Jr.
Don R. Pippin
John P. Ackerly, III, Ex Officio

and

Thomas F. Farrell, II Gordon F. Rainey, Jr.
Charles L. Glazer Terence P. Ross
William H. Goodwin, Jr. Thomas A. Saunders, III
T. Keister Greer Warren M. Thompson
Elsie Goodwyn Holland Elizabeth A. Twohy
Mark J. Kington E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D.
H. Timothy Lovelace, Jr.

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee on the University of Virginia’s College at Wise on January 31, 2003

The Board of Visitors Committee on The University of Virginia’s College at Wise met, in Open Session, at 3:25 p.m., Friday, January 31, 2003, in the East Oval Room of the Rotunda; William G. Crutchfield, Jr., Chair, presided. Thomas J. Bliley, Jr., Don R. Pippin, and John P. Ackerly, III, Rector, were present.

Also present were Charles L. Glazer, William H. Goodwin, Jr., T. Keister Greer, Mrs. Elsie Goodwin Holland, Mark J. Kington, Gordon F. Rainey, Jr., Terence P. Ross, Warren M. Thompson, E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D., and H. Timothy Lovelace, Jr.

The Chair asked Mr. Kaplan, the Chancellor of the College at Wise, to give his customary report to the Committee.

The Chancellor covered a number of issues in his report. He said a Commission on Science and Engineering has been formed, to include a number of local leaders, to explore ways in which the College might provide the means to meet the needs of Southwest Virginia in these areas. The Commission is in place and has begun its work.

The state budget is of critical concern to the College as half of its budget comes from state funds.

The College has been invited to join the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges, a prestigious group whose only other member in Virginia is Mary Washington College.

Mr. Kaplan noted with pleasure Mr. Jim Knight’s forthcoming return to Wise to head the College’s development efforts.

The Science Building is finished and open and work on the Smith Stadium is “on track.” The Student Center is under construction and, in reply to a question from Mr. Rainey, Mr. Kaplan said should be open shortly before Commencement in the spring.

In reply to another question, Mr. Kaplan said the tuition surcharge had been accepted by the student body as necessary and that the Student Council had voted its unanimous approval.

Mr. Pippin said the new Science Building and the Student Center are “real triumphs” – architecturally interesting and vital additions to the College’s campus.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

These minutes have been posted to the University of Virginia’s Board of Visitors website.
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