

**VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF VISITORS
Virginia State University, Virginia 23806**

**MINUTES
Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, March 13, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Harry Black, Rector, called the meeting of the Virginia State University (“VSU”) Board of Visitors’ Executive Committee to order in the Board Room of Virginia Hall at 9:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

A quorum of the committee was present.

Committee Members Present:

Mr. Harry Black, Rector
Mr. Willie C. Randall, Vice Rector
Mr. Allyn Myles Carnam
Mr. E. Ray Murphy
Mr. James H. Starkey, III

Board Members Present:

Mr. Terone B. Green

Administration Present:

Dr. W. Weldon Hill, Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Michael M. Shackelford, Vice President for Student Affairs
Ms. Adrienne Whitaker, Interim Vice President for Institutional Advancement
Mr. Cortez K. Dial, Chief of Staff
Ms. Joanne Curtis Taylor, Chief Audit Executive

Legal Counsel Present:

Mr. Roscoe C. Roberts, University Legal Counsel
Ms. Bonnie N. Degen, Legal Assistant, University Legal Counsel
Ms. Christy G. Brown, Paralegal, University Legal Counsel

Other Attendees:

Ms. Karin Kapsidelis, The Richmond Times Dispatch
Mr. Thomas Reed, Director of Public Relations and Marketing

Committee Report

Mr. Black recommended that Ms. Christy Brown, Paralegal, University Legal Counsel's Office perform the duties of Secretary for the meeting due to the absence of the Board Secretary.

The committee met in accordance with the Virginia State University Board of Visitor's bylaws to discuss nominations for the offices of Rector, Vice Rector, Secretary, and potential committee assignments and structures for recommendation to the full Board at the Annual Meeting in April.

Mr. Murphy moved for approval the following slate of officer nominations: Mr. Harry Black, Rector; Mr. Willie C. Randall, Vice Rector; Ms. Daphne Maxwell Reid, Secretary. Committee chair recommendations: Mr. Huron Winstead, Facilities, Finance and Audit; Dr. Robert E. Denton, Jr., Academic and Student Affairs; Mr. Willie C. Randall, Resources; and Ms. Jennifer Hunter, Institutional Advancement. Real Estate Foundation Liaison recommendation, Mr. Terone B. Green; VSU Foundation Liaison recommendation, Mr. George K. Anas, II; Research Foundation Liaison recommendation, Dr. Robert E. Denton, Jr.; and Reginald F. Lewis College of Business Foundation, Mr. Frederick Humphries. The motion was seconded by Mr. Randall and carried by roll call voice vote.

In accordance with the Virginia State University Board of Visitor's bylaws, the committee discussed the continued student and faculty representation to the Board of Visitors. Mr. Randall moved for approval the continued appointment of student and faculty representatives to the Board of Visitors with the proposed following format: the President of the Student Government Association will serve as the student representative, and the University President will facilitate the recommendation of three candidates from the faculty, one of which will be the Faculty Senate Chair, for board selection and appointment. The motion was seconded by Mr. Starkey and carried by voice vote.

The committee discussed board member qualifications and competencies for membership for recommendation to the Governor as required by new legislation. Dr. Hill highlighted the most recent Southern Association of Colleges and Universities 2012 Principles of Accreditation (SACS) standards and how university compliance effects member qualifications and competencies. The committee suggesting accessing the board's needs on an annual basis for recommendation to the Governor, and Rector Black requested that Dr. Hill draft a general statement that speaks to board qualifications and competencies for further discussion by the Board during the April 2014 meeting.

The committee discussed the Board's annual self-evaluation process. Dr. Hill suggested bringing in an outside facilitator to conduct a survey. Discussion ensued. Mr. Green requested that each board member receive the criteria by which SACS evaluates the Board's effectiveness. Rector Black requested that Dr. Hill put together a brief and concise matrix predicated on SACS requirements within two weeks to be reviewed and shared with the full board for discussion at the April 2014 board meeting.

The committee reviewed the current Virginia State University Code of Ethics. Mr. Randall moved to approve the current version without revision. The motion was seconded by Mr. Starkey and carried by voice vote.

The committee reviewed the current Virginia State University Statement of Governance. Mr. Murphy noted an inconsistency with the bylaws with regards to special meetings. The Rector asked that the statement be amended to reflect consistency with the current board bylaws.

The committee reviewed the current Virginia State University Board Bylaws. The following revision recommendations were made: 1) the addition of proposed student and faculty representative appointment process; 2) removal of officer limitations on simultaneous committee chairs appointments; and 3) extend officer terms to two-year with unlimited terms; and 4) designation within the bylaws that April will serve as the Annual Meeting.

The committee reviewed the current Virginia State University Freedom of Information Act Rights and Responsibilities. The committee re-affirmed the current version without revision.

The committee reviewed and approved the proposed Virginia State University Board of Visitor meeting schedule.

The committee received an update on: US News & World Report rankings; alumni affairs; enrollment; budget; campus safety and security, and foundation agreement refresh initiative.

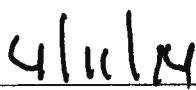
There being no further business, the Rector adjourned the meeting of the Board at 12:18 p.m.



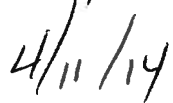
Harry Black, Rector



Daphne Maxwell Reid, Secretary



Date



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