

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS OF  
VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY

HELD ON JANUARY 24, 1969

A special meeting of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University was held on the 24th day of January, 1969 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon in the Board Room of Sanger Hall, Health Sciences Division of the University in the City of Richmond, Virginia, no notice of the meeting being required.

Present were all of the members of the Board of Visitors except Messrs. Brent, Michaux, Sheffield and Thalhimer.

Present by invitation were Messrs. Wygal, Heil, Brooke and Mrs. Hodges.

Mr. Dabney served as Chairman of the meeting and in the absence of Mr. Brent, Mrs. Hodges served as Secretary thereof.

Mr. McGehee on behalf of the Property Committee then generally reviewed the proposed widening of Harrison Street and pointed out that the Executive Committee had recommended to the Board that the City Planning Commission be asked to delay action in this connection until such time as the Master Plan of the University could be further developed and that the University be given an opportunity to participate in any future planning with respect to Harrison Street. A general discussion then followed after which on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, Virginia by reason

of its interest in certain property adjoining or facing Harrison Street, request the Planning Commission of the City of Richmond to defer action on the widening of said street until such time as the Physical Master Plan for Virginia Commonwealth University has been further developed; and that the University be permitted to participate in future planning having to do with Harrison Street.

Mr. Wayne then stated that the Screening Committee for the selection of a President had held an informal meeting and were happy now to submit for consideration the name of Dr. Warren W. Brandt for the position of President of the University. He generally reviewed Dr. Brandt's background, pointing out that he is presently Executive Vice President of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and that he appeared to be a most capable and attractive person. He continued and said that Dr. and Mrs. Brandt would be in Richmond on January 27 to meet with the Executive Committee and the Board of Visitors, should the Board of Visitors so desire. A general discussion then followed, it being unanimously agreed that it would be most desirable for Dr. and Mrs. Brandt to meet with the Board.

Thereupon, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Visitors adjourned to Bigger Auditorium where they were joined by Representatives from each Division of the University to receive a further report from Schechter & Luth, Inc. Representatives of Schechter & Luth, Inc. thereupon reviewed their recommendations and all in attendance were given an opportunity to make such observations and comments as were desired.

The Board of Visitors thereupon returned to the Board Room and after additional discussion, on motion duly made, seconded

and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the symbol recommended by Schechter & Luth, Inc., as presented to this meeting of the Board of Visitors be, and it hereby is, adopted as the symbol of the University, to be used in its seal and for such other applications as may be determined from time to time; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Gold and Black be adopted as the colors of the University and that henceforth the former RPI campus shall be known as the Academic Center and the former Medical College of Virginia Complex shall be known as the Medical Center; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Committee shall be appointed by the Rector to supervise the application of the new symbol and nomenclature system and to be generally responsible for the carrying out of the Manual of Standards and the distribution thereof.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the same on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, adjourned.

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Secretary

APPROVED:

W. H. D. D. D.  
Chairman