

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

February 19, 1976

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University was held on Thursday, February 19, 1976, at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanger Hall Board Room.

Present were Messrs. Dabney, Norris, Scott and Seaborn; Dr. Gwathmey; and Mesdames Satterfield and Stone. Absent were Messrs. Grey, McGehee, Morgan, Obenshain and Shumate; Dr. Blanton and Mrs. Thalhimer. Also present were Drs. Andrako, Brooke, Fleshood, Hall, Neal, Salley, Temple, Willett and Wilson; Mr. Holmes and Mrs. Price.

Mr. Scott called the meeting to order.

On motion made and seconded, the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Visitors, held November 20, 1975; a Regular Meeting of the Board of Visitors, held December 18, 1975; a Special Meeting of the Hospital Liaison Committee, held January 14, 1976; and a Regular Meeting of the Board of Visitors, held January 15, 1976, were unanimously approved.

Mr. Seaborn reported on the meeting held earlier of the Hospital Quality Assurance Committee.

The Report of the President followed.


Dr. Temple introduced to the Board Mr. Robert C. Kidd, II, Executive Director of the Medical College of Virginia Hospitals, and Mr. Jeffrey S. Cribbs, Budget Director.

Dr. Brooke made a report on the VCU libraries.

Dr. Temple indicated that because of the budget situation he would be unable to fill all the positions at this time. However, in his opinion, the two most important positions are the Provost-Administration and his administrative assistant. Of course, the legal counsel position has already been filled and is also a vital position.

Following many questions and considerable discussion, the Board agreed to take formal action at Thursday's regular meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.


Richard D. Obenshain, Secretary

Approved:


Wyndham B. Blanton, Jr., Rector

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

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1. Meeting with State Council of Higher Education. Dr. Temple reported that the meeting with the State Council of Higher Education on February 3 had been a very successful meeting. He indicated that we had received considerable publicity and the administration was hopeful that this would help us with regard to our budget and capital outlay requests. Dr. Temple passed out copies of his remarks used at this meeting.
2. Presentation before House Appropriations Committee. Dr. Temple stated that his appearance before the House Appropriations Committee went very well, and he hoped that it would benefit the University in the long run. He passed out copies of his remarks used before the Appropriations Committee, a copy of the budget amendments requested by VCU, and a copy of a letter from Dr. Temple to Delegate Ed Lane summarizing VCU's position.
3. Virginia Hospital Laundry. Dr. Temple reported that the administration had spent many hours before the Laundry Subcommittee of the Appropriations Committee composed of Delegate Dorothy S. McDiarmid and Delegate Owen B. Pickett. Dr. Temple reported that Mrs. McDiarmid had been most supportive of MCV/VCU. Overall, Dr. Temple felt that the sub-committee's report was supportive of MCV/VCU.
4. Hospital Bond Issue. Dr. Temple reported that we did not seem to be in any trouble with the Bond Issue. Delegate Lane has suggested that the VCU administration keep a low profile in this regard.
5. March 17, 1976, Meeting of the Board. Dr. Temple asked the members of the Board if they would agree to meet with him on the evening of March 17 to discuss his reorganization of the University. The members present agreed to this meeting.
6. Fire Marshall's Letter. Dr. Neal reported that 90 of the 107 deficiencies reported in the Fire Marshall's letter had been corrected and that the administration plans to be ready for his next visit on Wednesday, February 25, 1976.