

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS

June 23, 1976

A special meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors was held on Wednesday, June 23, 1976, at 3:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at 910 West Franklin Street.

Present were Drs. Blanton, Gayle (as a non-voting observer), and Gwathmey; Messrs. Dabney, Grey, Obenshain and Scott. Also present were Drs. Brooke, Neal, Temple and Willett; Mr. Cribbs; and Mrs. Kincannon and Mrs. Price.

Dr. Blanton called the meeting to order.

Mr. Walter H. Ryland from the Office of the Attorney General joined the meeting for a discussion on whether or not to appeal the Cramer suit. Mr. Ryland and Mrs. Kincannon presented the pros and cons of whether or not to appeal the case. Dr. Temple indicated that the administration recommended to the Executive Committee that the case be appealed. On motion made and seconded, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

WHEREAS, the decision of the District Court presents the University with significant problems in the administration of employment practices, and;

WHEREAS, the issues are believed to be of such fundamental impact that they should be resolved by a court of appeal;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Committee asks that the decision be appealed.

Dr. Temple requested Mr. Jeffrey S. Cribbs, Budget Director, to advise the Board on the most recent budget issues. Mr. Cribbs

indicated that a memorandum had been issued by the Governor indicating that an additional five percent reduction may be necessary. Mr. Cribbs indicated that VCU had budgeted at a possible three percent reduction and that any additional reduction would cause cutbacks on some programs at the University. A long discussion followed.

On motion made and seconded, the Continuing Faculty for the Academic Campus, were unanimously approved and will be sent to the entire Board at the July meeting for information.

On motion made and seconded, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Vice President for Finance is authorized to borrow \$389,144 from the State Treasury. The funds are to pay current billings and to place purchase orders for equipment under the Capital Outlay Project, Alteration to the Junior Dental Clinic on the first floor of the Wood Memorial Building. The funds will be repaid when Federal Grant funds are received.

The acceptance of the George J. Oliver Portrait was referred to the Property Committee.


Dr. Neal informed the Committee of several upcoming Division Chairmanship appointments. These appointments will be coming to the Board at its July meeting.

An executive session was held.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.


Richard D. Obenshain, Secretary

Approved:


Wyndham B. Blanton, Jr., Rector