

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

August 18, 1977

A special meeting of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University was held on Thursday, August 18, 1977, at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanger Hall Board Room.

Present were Drs. Blanton and Gayle; Messrs. Bliley, Dabney, Grey, Norris, Obenshain, Scott, Seaborn and Shumate; and Mesdames Satterfield, Stone and Thalhimer. Absent were Dr. Gwathmey and Mr. McGehee. Also present were Drs. Beller, Brooke, Hall, Neal, Willett and Woods; Mr. Ross; Miss Cosby and Mrs. Price.

Dr. Blanton called the meeting to order.

Dr. Vasile and Messrs. Carter and Kidd joined the meeting for a presentation of the MCV Hospital Information System Procurement. Mr. Carter presented the financial situation with regard to the information system and Mr. Kidd presented the history of the information system's procurement. A film was shown which depicted the capabilities of such a system. Mr. Kidd pointed out the many advantages of having such a system at MCVH. Technicon has been awarded the contract for installing the system.

Messrs. Carter and Kidd then presented the proposed 1978-80 biennial budget for MCV Hospitals. Following a discussion, on motion made and seconded, the MCVH biennial budget was unanimously approved.

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

Recipient of the American Hospital Association's highest award.

Recipient of the American College of Hospital Administrators Gold Medal Award.

Recipient of the first and only honorary doctorate in hospital administration from the Medical College of Virginia.

Recipient of the 1968 Distinguished Service Award from the Virginia Hospital Association.

Recipient of MCV School of Medicine's first Distinguished Service Award.

Co-founder of the first formal program in hospital administration in the southeastern states.

Fellow and regent of the American College of Hospital Administrators.

Member of the Board of Trustees of the American Hospital Association.

Member of the Board of Visitors of the Medical College of Virginia.

President of the Virginia Hospital Association and the Richmond Hospital Council.

Five major awards for distinguished service.

Holder of offices and membership on Boards representing the highest achievement of his profession.

Charles P. Cardwell, Jr., was a native Virginian who developed his talents and abilities to their ultimate potential, thereby bringing honor to the state and institution which he served and deserved recognition to himself.

Yet, beyond these accomplishments, which may be traced and dated in the minute books of the organizations he served, are his accomplishments which may only be measured in the minds and hearts of those who knew him.

Charlie Cardwell was a Prince among men:

a leader who put others first  
a teacher always eager to learn  
a man of intellect with whom all could relate

a man of balance in an unbalanced world, of judgment  
in a position where judgment was required, of com-  
passion where so often compassion was needed, of  
humor when humor could lessen a burden  
a builder who built much more than buildings  
a husband and a father, much to be admired.

His leadership in Hospital Administration will long remain  
an example to those who follow him. His death has left an  
empty place in the hearts of all who knew him.

He truly left his mark for all time on the Medical College  
of Virginia.

Therefore may we, the members of the Board of Visitors of  
Virginia Commonwealth University, rise in thankfulness for  
the work of Charles P. Cardwell, Jr., as our friend and  
associate for these many years -

and may we express to Mrs. Cardwell, and to his sons,  
Charles and John, our deep regret at his loss. We, together  
with the members of his family, shall miss him greatly.

Dr. Beller presented information relating to the appointment of Mr.  
James G. Guerdon as Vice President for Finance. Following a discussion,  
on motion made and seconded, Mr. James G. Guerdon was unanimously approved  
as Vice President for Finance at a salary of \$38,000, effective August 22,  
1977.

Mr. Obenshain presented a resolution dealing with the estate of Mr.  
John G. Foote. Following a lengthy discussion, on motion made and seconded,  
the administration was requested to implement the resolution previously  
adopted by the Board of Visitors on July 18, 1974, regarding Mr. Foote's  
estate.

On majority vote of the Board, an executive session was held.

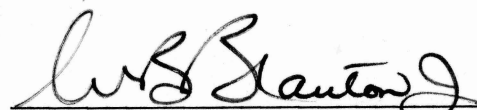
Mr. Cribbs and Ms. Epps joined the meeting for a presentation of the  
proposed 1978-80 biennial budget for the University. Following a presenta-  
tion and discussion, on motion made and seconded, the 1978-80 University  
biennial budget was unanimously approved.

Mr. Norris, Chairman of the Student Affairs Committee, presented his committee's and the Administrative Committee's report on Student Affairs. Following a discussion, on motion made and seconded, the eighth line of the third paragraph on page 1 will end with the word "facts." On motion made and seconded, the "Report of the Committee on Student Affairs of the Board of Visitors and the Administrative Committee of VCU" was approved, as amended, with Mr. Norris dissenting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

  
Richard D. Obenshain, Secretary

Approved:

  
Wyndham B. Blanton, Jr., M.D., Rector