

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS

OF VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY

May 17, 1978

A special meeting of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University was held on Wednesday, May 17, 1978, in the Sanger Hall Board Room.

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

Mr. James P. Morgan, newly appointed Interim Director of Public Safety, joined the meeting. Mr. Morgan was formerly with the New York City Police Department and the FBI and more recently has been teaching in the Department of Administration and Justice at VCU. Mr. Morgan reported that there are currently 100 people in the Security Office at VCU. Three-fourths are classified employees and the rest are hourly employees. Some of the hourly employees are students in the Department of Administration and Justice. Mr. Morgan reported that the most serious crime on campus last year was an attempted rape. However, there were numerous larcenies reported. Mr. Morgan stated that he felt seminars on crime prevention for VCU employees would help to reduce larcenies. The Security Office has a \$1 million budget. Mr. Morgan indicated that he felt the addition of a K-9 unit might be helpful because of the many streets and alleys located on campus. He reported that he will investigate the possibility of using such a unit. In response to a question, Mr. Morgan indicated that VCU's relationship with the City police on the patrolman's level is excellent. However, there is some need to work on relationships with the higher levels in the City police.

Dr. Neal presented a Time & Effort Report for the School of Medicine. The totals represented an average of three surveys during 1975, 1976 and 1977. The total percentages were: Pure Teaching - 18%; Pure Patient Care - 22%; Joint Teaching/Patient Care - 18%; Pure Research - 14%; and Other Activities - 28%. Other activities include administrative, committee work, scholarly activities and public service.

Dr. Beller presented a brief report on the 1978-80 biennial budget. Dr. Beller indicated that a new system had been introduced to help faculty and administrators better understand the budget process. VCU's 1978-79 budget is \$67.9 million of both general and non-general funds. Dr. Beller stated that an average 7 percent salary increase had been approved for faculty this year. He indicated that the administration would like the Board to approve the general raise for faculty at the May meeting and individual faculty salary information would be presented to the Board at its July meeting. The Board deferred action on this item until its regular meeting (May 18, 1978).

The meeting was adjourned at 8 p.m.