

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS
OF VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY
July 19, 1984

A regular meeting of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University was held on Thursday, July 19, 1984, at 9:00 a.m. in the University Meeting Center.

Present were Mesdames Abady, Bemiss, Thalhimer and Whittemore; Messrs. Allen, Berry, Farinholt, Grey, Lipman, Ludeman, Morris, Reynolds and Smith; and Drs. Gayle, Moore and Nemuth. Also present were Drs. Ackell, Andrako and Hall; Messrs. Bruegman and Ross; and Mrs. Price.

Mr. Smith called the meeting to order and introduced the three newly appointed members of the Board: Mrs. Nina Abady, Dr. French Moore and Mr. William Berry.

On motion made and seconded, the Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Board of Visitors, held May 16, 1984, and a Regular Meeting of the Board of Visitors, held May 17, 1984, were approved.

The Report of the President followed. Dr. Ackell reported on the following items:

1. As of July 11, there were 8,415 students studying in VCU's summer sessions program. It is estimated that this figure is up slightly from last year's enrollment. There are 750 sections being taught on and off-campus by 535 faculty members. This section and faculty count does not include the MCV Campus.
2. In the Drambuie Young Designers' Showcase competition, several of VCU's School of the Arts students were recognized for their accessories designs. Winning entries were judged on the basis of originality, design, execution, materials and production capability. All of

the winning designs will be created by leading accessories manufacturers.

The Anderson Gallery won two awards of distinction in the 1984 Museum Publications Competition. Over 2,000 entries were judged in the competition with only 129 given this highest award. The winning entries were a poster, On the Move, and invitations, Tropical Madness.

3. House Joint Resolution 77 requests the Council of Higher Education and the institutions of higher education to jointly develop procedures to reduce the scope of the system of higher education if deemed necessary by the Governor. A report is to be made to the 1985 session of the General Assembly. According to the resolution, such a study is desirable, because institutions "now face a period of enrollment stability and moderate financial constraint."
4. The Department of Psychology recently received full accreditation from the American Psychological Association for its doctoral training program in counseling psychology. The accreditation committee commended the program for the progress it has made over the past several years and noted the many positive comments made by the visiting team.
5. Approximately \$90,000 was pledged locally during the Children's Miracle Network Telethon, which aired June 2 and 3 on WXEX-TV. The telethon locally benefits the Children's Medical Center at MCV Hospitals and the Children's Hospital on Brook Road. This was the first year that the Children's Medical Center had participated in the telethon, and we believe that the telethon was a success in increasing public awareness about our facility and the many quality services available for children.

Dr. Ackell introduced the proposed Executive Agreement for 1984-86. The main thrust of the document is controlling employment growth. VCU's proposed average total employment levels for regular or permanent teaching, research and classified employees are 2,997 for 1984-85 and 3,002 for 1985-86. A question was raised concerning the goals outlined in this agreement. It was

stated that VCU's proposed goals, objectives and strategies are consistent with the Institutional Priorities document which the Board approved. On motion made and seconded, the proposed Executive Agreement for 1984-86 was approved.

Mr. Bruegman presented the Report of Contracts. A question was raised concerning the power plant on the MCV Campus. Mr. Bruegman stated that a contract has been negotiated with the City of Richmond for supplying natural gas. Gas is the primary fuel source at the power plant since it burns the cleanest. Oil is used as a backup fuel. There is still a long-range plan for relocating the power plant away from the center of the MCV Campus. On motion made and seconded, the Report of Contracts was ratified.

Mr. Ludeman reported for the Executive Committee which met on June 21. At that time, the Committee approved several resolutions on signing authority precipitated by Mr. Guerdon's departure from the University. The Committee also approved appointing new members to the Board of the Hospital Laundry. A report on Enrollment Projections was requested for the next meeting of the Executive Committee and the Investments Report was accepted. On motion made and seconded, the Minutes of a Meeting of the Executive Committee, held June 21, 1984, were approved and the Committee's report was accepted.

Mrs. Whittemore reported for the Academic Policy Committee which met on June 5. The Committee reviewed the proposed docu-

ment, Annual Assessment of Faculty Performance, which requires an annual evaluation of all tenured and nontenured faculty. On motion made and seconded, the Annual Assessment of Faculty Performance document was approved. The Committee also approved changes to the Promotion and Tenure Procedures. A number of other suggestions were made by the Committee relating to the appeal process which Dr. Ackell will discuss with the appropriate faculty groups in the Fall. Following discussion, and on motion made and seconded, the proposed changes to the Promotion and Tenure Procedures document were approved. Mrs. Whittemore stated that the third item considered by the Committee was the proposed B.A. degree in German. The Committee will continue to review implementation of this program. On motion made and seconded, the proposed B.A. degree in German was approved. Also, on motion made and seconded, the Minutes of a Meeting of the Academic Policy Committee held on June 5, 1984, were approved and the Committee's report was accepted.

Mr. Ludeman reported for the Advancement Committee which met on May 31. Mr. Ludeman expressed appreciation for the fine job Mr. Willson Craigie had done as the first Chairman of the Advancement Committee. At the Advancement Committee meeting, a report was given on the search for a Vice President for Advancement. Messrs. Tom Kidd, Director of Advancement Services, and Steve Harvey, Director of Alumni Activities, were introduced. Celia Barnes reviewed Phase I of the University's Public Rela-

tions Plan. On motion made and seconded, the Minutes of a Meeting of the Advancement Committee held May 31, 1984, were approved and the report of the Committee was accepted.

Mr. Morris reported for the Audit Committee which has met twice since the last Board meeting, on May 29, 1984, and July 18, 1984. These reports will be given in executive session. On motion made and seconded, the Minutes of the Audit Committee Meetings held on May 16, 1984, and May 29, 1984, were approved.

The report of the Hospital Committee, which met on June 14, was given by Dr. Gayle. At this meeting, the Committee reviewed privileges and a revision to the Medical Staff Bylaws allowing oral surgeons to perform medical histories on their patients admitted to MCVH. On motion made and seconded, the Minutes of a Meeting of the Hospital Committee, held on June 14, 1984, were approved and the Committee's report accepted.

Mr. Farinholt reported on behalf of the Property Committee which met on June 12. An easement, in connection with the closing of Green Alley, for the City of Richmond was approved. A lease for the Magnolia Street warehouse was ratified subject to the administration's review of: (1) leasing the building with an option to buy; (2) extending the lease up to five years and, (3) purchasing the building outright. The firm of Hankins & Anderson, Inc. was retained to provide engineering services for replacing the coal-fired boiler with two gas/oil-fired boilers in the Power Plant on the MCV Campus. Also, the firm of Odell Asso-

ciates was retained as the architect for the General Purpose Academic Building. A question was raised concerning whether or not the Property Committee had reviewed a design for the Academic Classroom Building. Mr. Bruegman stated that there is no design at this time, but a rendering of how the building would look had been seen by the Property Committee. The question was raised as to whether it would be appropriate for the architects competing for the job to submit a proposed design of the building as part of the architect selection process. It was suggested that Mr. Farinholt make this an early agenda item for the Property Committee.

Mr. Reynolds reported that the Student Affairs Committee had not met since the last Board meeting.

Mrs. Whittemore, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported on behalf of the Committee (Messrs. Morris and Smith, Mrs. Thalhimer and Dr. Gayle). The slate proposed was: Dr. Harold I. Nemuth, Vice-Rector; Mr. Robert J. Grey, Secretary; Mr. Douglas H. Ludeman, Mr. Philip B. Morris, Mr. James B. Farinholt, Mr. William G. Reynolds, Dr. Sigsby W. Gayle and Mrs. Anne Marie Whittemore, members of the Executive Committee. On motion made and seconded, the slate, as proposed, was elected with Mrs. Thalhimer abstaining. Mr. Smith congratulated the newly elected officers and Executive Committee members. He stated that a committee assignment list was being distributed and he had made the selections keeping in mind the amount of time each Board member

is asked to serve. Two additional committees need to be appointed. Mr. Smith stated that he had spoken with Mrs. Thalhimer about chairing the Board's Evaluation Committee. Additionally, members of the Board need to be appointed to the Special Awards Committee which replaces the Honorary Degree Committee.

On motion made, seconded and approved, the Board convened into executive session to discuss certain personnel matters involving the performance of identifiable employees or faculty of VCU, and to discuss pending litigation and legal matters with its attorney, and to protect the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business, and to discuss matters relating to gifts, bequests, and fundraising activities and discussion of special awards as authorized by Section 2.1-344 a(1), a(3), a(6), a(7), and a(8) of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

Following executive session, on motion made and seconded, the Board accepted the Report of the Legal Advisor; approved Faculty Appointments and Changes in Status including the appointment of Dr. Alastair Connell as Vice President for Health Sciences effective October 1, 1984; approved Clinical Faculty Appointments with Mesdames Bemiss and Whittemore, Dr. Gayle and Mr. Morris abstaining; approved the granting of Consultative and Hospital Privileges; approved supplemental salary increases; accepted the Report of Gifts; accepted the executive session committee reports; authorized the University's administration to pursue negotiations

for the acquisition of certain real property; deferred consideration on the naming of University facilities; deferred the matter of acceptance of the proposed gift from the Greek community to the Property Committee to seek consultation of the School of the Arts and, if satisfied with the consultation, to decide on the acceptance of the gift and deferred the Report of the Presidential Evaluation Committee.

On motion made and seconded, the Board approved the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, Dr. Edmund F. Ackell, President of Virginia Commonwealth University, serves as a member of the Board of Directors of Whittaker Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Whittaker Corporation, and its subsidiaries, from time to time, sells products to the Commonwealth of Virginia, its agencies and political subdivisions, including Virginia Commonwealth University; and

WHEREAS, in order to avoid any appearance of impropriety or conflict of interest, Dr. Ackell has requested the Board of Directors of Whittaker Corporation to relieve him of all supervisory and other responsibility with reference to Whittaker Corporation's contracts or other transactions with the Commonwealth of Virginia, its agencies and political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that request, the Board of Directors of Whittaker Corporation, has adopted the following resolution:

1. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Edmund F. Ackell shall hereafter have no authority to participate in the procurement or letting of any contract or other transaction between the Company and the State of Virginia or any political subdivision thereof or governmental agency as defined in Virginia Code Section 2.1-600, provided that Dr. Ackell's concurrence in this limitation of his authority as director of this corporation is acknowledged in a written communication to this corporation.
2. RESOLVED FURTHER that until further action be taken by this Board of Directors, its Executive Committee or the

stockholders of this corporation, the powers and responsibilities of Dr. Ackell as a member of the Board of Directors of this company as set forth in the Bylaws of this corporation shall be deemed limited by the immediately preceding resolution.

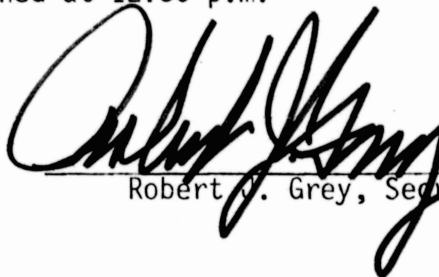
and

WHEREAS, Dr. Edmund F. Ackell has, similarly, requested the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University to relieve him of all authority and other responsibility with respect to any contracts or other transactions between Whittaker Corporation, or its subsidiaries, and Virginia Commonwealth University;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University:

1. Dr. Edmund F. Ackell shall hereafter have no authority to participate in the procurement or letting of any contract or other transaction between Whittaker Corporation or its subsidiaries and Virginia Commonwealth University.
2. Until further action be taken by this Board of Visitors, the powers and responsibilities of Dr. Edmund F. Ackell as President of Virginia Commonwealth University, as set forth in the Bylaws of this Board of Visitors or elsewhere, shall be deemed limited by the immediately preceding paragraph.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.


Robert G. Grey, Secretary

Approved:



W. Roy Smith, Rector