

AMENDED  
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE  
BOARD OF VISITORS OF VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY  
October 20, 1988

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University was held on Thursday, October 20, 1988, at 9 a.m. in the University Meeting Center.

Present were Messrs. Farinholt (Rector), Gregory, Morris and Wurtzel; Mrs. Abady; and Dr. Holland. Mrs. Whittemore; and Messrs. Beadles and Whitworth were absent. Also present were Drs. Ackell, Andrako, Dewey, Ruch, Sparks and Wilson; Messrs. Bruegman, Kudless, Poe, Rapp and Ross; and Mrs. Price.

Mr. Farinholt called the meeting to order. The Board Committee Work Plans for 1988-89 were reviewed for information.

Mr. Farinholt commented on the letter received from Dr. Gordon Davies, Director of the Council of Higher Education, concerning a policy and procedure for setting tuition. Mr. Farinholt suggested that this policy could be interpreted as another intrusion into the affairs of the institution by State Council and asked members of the Board to remind State Council of the role and autonomy of the VCU Board.

The Boards of Visitors Conference is scheduled for Monday, October 31, and Tuesday, November 1, in Richmond. The theme of this year's meeting is the role and responsibility of Board members. VCU Board members are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Mr. Rapp presented a contract for cardiac catheterization laboratory digital equipment with ADAC in the amount of \$340,000. On motion made and seconded, the contract was approved.

Mr. Rapp presented a second contract for disposable plastic aprons/gowns with Baxter Hospital Supply in the amount of \$646,102. Mr. Rapp stated that the purchase of these gowns represents the continuing enhancement of the infectious disease program in the hospital and requires an increase in the budget of approximately \$400,000. On motion made and seconded, the contract with Baxter Hospital Supply was approved with Mr. Morris abstaining.

Dr. Ruch introduced the proposed Administrative Faculty Policy. The purpose of this document is to clarify policy relating to faculty who hold administrative appointments. Two groups of administrators are involved those who hold tenure and are covered by the Tenure Document and those individuals who are not tenured and hold strictly administrative positions. Because of the lack of a specific policy for administrative faculty, there is a tendency to operate under the Tenure Document. The proposed policy would clarify the rights and responsibilities of individuals holding administrative appointments. For example, a vice president decides in March of 1988 that a director of a department is not performing. The following changes were suggested to the document:

Page 1, paragraph 1, last line: Individuals who hold the title of full vice president shall not be covered by or subject to this policy as such persons serve at the pleasure of the President of Virginia Commonwealth University.

Page 6, under Number of Years: change 5 years or more to 5 to 8 years, 6 months notice before the effective date, and add a section of 8 or more years, 9 months notice before the effective date.

A question was also raised concerning item IV, A. 1.b., dealing with violation(s) of federal or state law and/or University policies and procedures. Mr. Ross was to address this issue.

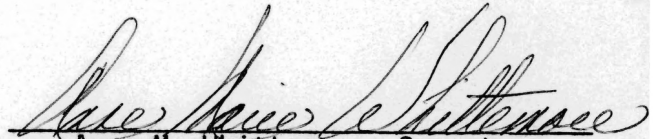
This document was presented to the Executive Committee for discussion purposes only and will be presented to the full Board for approval at its November meeting. It was requested that a revised document be sent to all members of the Board with a letter of explanation as soon as possible.

The report from the Panel of Inquiry on the Facilities Management Division is due the President by October 31. Dr. Ackell stated that he will review this report with the Board at its November meeting.

Mr. Farinholt stated that both new members of the Board attended a full day orientation session on Friday, October 14. He stated that this was an excellent session and thanked all the staff members who participated.

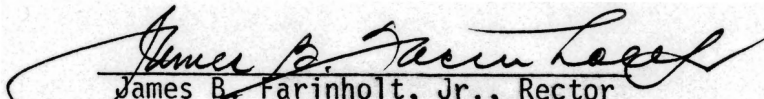
Dr. Ackell was asked about the Screening Committee for the position of Vice President for Health Sciences. He stated that the committee is chaired by Dr. Harold Maurer and has a faculty representative from each of the six medical center schools, a representative from the Hospital, the Dean of the College of Humanities and Sciences, the Vice Provost for Research and Graduate Affairs and a representative of the alumni.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.



Anne M. Whittemore, Secretary

Approved:



James B. Farinholt, Jr., Rector