

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF VISITORS OF
VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY
January 21, 1993

A regular meeting of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University was held on Thursday, January 21, 1993, at 9 a.m. in the University Meeting Center.

Present were Messrs. Gregory (Rector), Arenstein, Framme, Meador, Siegel, Townes, Weinberg and Whitworth; Drs. Gilmer, Holland, Johnson and Peay; and Mesdames Epps and Teig. Drs. Berenguer and Dombalis were absent. Also present were Drs. Trani, Dewey, Harris, Hull, Jones, Sander, Schexnider and Wilson; Messrs. Bruegman, Jez, Poe, Ross and Wyeth; and Mesdames Messmer and Price; and Ms. Belches, student representative to the Board.

The President's Report followed:

Dr. Trani introduced the following people:

Sgt. Carlton G. Edwards of the VCU Police Department received the VCU Police Meritorious Award. On October 16, 1992, at approximately 1:00 p.m., Sergeant Carlton G. Edwards was stopped at the intersection of Allen Avenue and West Grace Street. While waiting for the traffic signal to change, Sergeant Edwards observed an unknown male subject enter a vehicle from the passenger side which was occupied by a lone female. It was then that Sergeant Edwards heard the female begin to scream. Sergeant Edwards immediately exited the vehicle and without regard for safety, entered the other vehicle and apprehended the male subject and forcibly removed the subject from the vehicle. Once the individual was in custody, a search was conducted and the

subject was found to be in possession of a concealed butcher knife.

Thanks to Sergeant Edwards' quick and decisive action, a more serious situation was avoided and a dangerous criminal was apprehended and arrested. For outstanding actions in this incident, Sergeant Carlton G. Edwards is awarded the VCU Police Meritorious Award for Valor.

Linda Harber and Cindy Brown received the Creativity Achievement Award from the College and University Personnel Association (CUPA) during its National Convention in Philadelphia.

This award recognizes outstanding creativity in an innovative project in higher education human resource management during the past fiscal year. VCU's program, "Legal Assistance Alternatives for Grievance Panel Hearings," employs second and third-year law students to assist managers with case preparation and presentation for grievance panel hearings. The law student prepares witnesses for testimony, organizes documentation, and writes a script for management's use at the panel hearing. This program has proven to be very successful and managers who have used this service seem very satisfied.

Virginia Commonwealth University's Police Department received Virginia's sixth annual Governor's Community Crime Prevention Award on September 29, 1992. This prestigious award was presented to the Campus Police Department by Governor L. Douglas Wilder at an awards ceremony held in Richmond.

The Governor's Award recognizes those local communities, universities, and businesses that have distinguished themselves in the field of crime prevention in the Commonwealth. The Awards Program was initiated in 1987 in an effort to encourage the expansion of efforts to keep Virginia's communities safe from crime and illegal drugs. Five separate categories were selected for awards - civic/professional, business, media, crime prevention through environmental design, and communities. This is the third year in a row that the VCU Police has received this award. In 1990 and 1991, VCU won the award for Outstanding Crime Prevention for Campus Communities. This past year, VCU won the award for Crime Prevention through Environmental Design category.

Dr. Rita P. Hull, Professor in the Department of Accounting, is the Administrative Associate for this semester, Spring, 1993. Dr. Hull received a Ph.D. from Oklahoma State University, College of Business; a Masters in accounting from Western Illinois University; and a B.A. in Accounting from Augustine College, graduating Cum Laude. Dr. Hull has been employed at VCU since 1988.

The Community Service Associates for the Spring, 1993, were introduced as follows: Dr. Kijeong Jeon, Dr. E. Davis Martin, Dr. Morton B. Gulak, Dr. Wallace Johnston and Dr. Michael Davis.

Dr. Trani also discussed the Undergraduate Engineering Program, gave an update on the Research Park and a summary of the Strategic Plan.

On motion made and seconded, the following items from the

Consent Agenda were approved:

Board of Visitors

- . Minutes of a Regular Meeting held November 19, 1992

Academic Policy Committee

- . Minutes of a Special Meeting held November 18, 1992
- . Minutes of a Meeting held November 18, 1992

Advancement Committee

- . Minutes of a Meeting held November 18, 1992
- . Policy on Gifts of Art to Virginia Commonwealth University

Audit Committee

- . Minutes of a Meeting held November 19, 1992

Finance and Investment Committee

- . Minutes of a Meeting held November 18, 1992
- . Establishment of Quasi-Endowment Fund for the School of the Arts

Health Affairs Committee

- . Minutes of a Meeting held November 18, 1992
- . Resolution Regarding Appointment of Four Directors to Virginia Hospital Laundry, Inc.
- . Capital Equipment Proposal

Property Committee

- . Minutes of a Meeting held November 18, 1992
- . Lease of Space
 - . 918-1016 West Broad Street
 - . Amendment to Lease - 1128 Floyd Avenue
 - . 944 West Grace Street
 - . 1001 East Broad Street
 - . 1051 East Cary Street
- . Acquisition of Property - 1009-1039 West Broad Street
- . Architect Selection - Virginia Biotechnology Center VCU Research Park
- . Project Plans - MCV Visitors' Deck Repairs, Phase I

Student Affairs Committee

- . Minutes of a Meeting held November 18, 1992
- . Minutes of a Special Meeting held November 19, 1992

The following items were submitted for information:

Academic Policy Committee

- . Report on Graduate School Strategy Plan Workshop
- . Report on Changing Faculty Roles/Rewards Activity

Advancement Committee

- . Media Relations and University Visibility
- . Advancement Division Reports
- . Governmental Relations Report

Finance and Investment Committee

- . Quarterly Investment Report for Quarter Ended 9/30/92
- . Governor's Tuition-Related Budget Recommendations
- . Governor's Operating Budget Recommendations

Health Affairs Committee

- . Hospital Finances
 - . Statistics - July through November 1992
 - . Update on Indigent Care Funding

Property Committee

- . Capital Development Program
- . Notification of Contract Awards
 - . Patient and Visitors Parking
 - . Ambulatory Care Facility
- . Capital Project Status Report, December 1992

Student Affairs Committee

- . Academic Advising/Student Retention

The Affiliation Agreement between MCV/VCU School of Medicine and MCV Associated Physicians was presented. The Affiliation Agreement is a new document, resulting from an earlier audit recommendation to clarify the relationship between the University, the School of Medicine, and MCV Associated Physicians. It covers key issues such as financial reports, facilities, employment, equipment, insurance, information systems, sponsored research, continuing education and others. On motion made and seconded, the Affiliation Agreement between MCV/VCU School of Medicine and MCV Associated Physicians was approved.

A recommendation of an insertion to the University Faculty Promotion and Tenure Document, Section III, C, Probationary Peri-

ods was presented. On motion made and seconded, the revision was approved as follows:

A tenure-eligible faculty member may request a one year extension of the probationary period in cases where extenuating nonprofessional circumstances could reasonably be expected to significantly impede normal progress in professional development. Such circumstances might include, but are not limited to, childbirth or adoption, care of terminally ill spouse or partner, child, or parent, or personal trauma. Application must be made within one year of the onset of the extenuating circumstances. Such a request, accompanied by recommendations for or against from the department chair and the dean, must be submitted to and approved by the appropriate Vice President. Except in extraordinary cases, the request must be submitted to the department chair no later than May 15 of the calendar year in which mandatory tenure review would normally commence. Ordinarily, such an extension of the probationary period will be granted only once.

A review of the Bachelor of General Studies degree program was presented. The Bachelor of General Studies degree program at Virginia Commonwealth University was approved by the Board of Visitors in May, 1976. The impetus to offer such a degree program came from state and national legislation, including The Educational Amendments of 1972 to the original Higher Education Act of 1965 and PL 92-318 which created the Continuing Higher Education Consortium to consolidate planning in the State of Virginia.

The mission of VCU's program--to serve nontraditional adult students whose educational development would benefit from an individualized, interdisciplinary, nontraditional approach to education--remains the same as when the program began in 1976.

The BGS program has always attracted returning adults whose needs and lifestyles are not served by the traditional programs, and who have used the flexibility of a variety of credit options to receive credit for prior learning. In addition, the program has attracted some traditional aged students whose academic and career interests could not

be met by a traditional major. Since 1980, 21 athletes, including 10 basketball players, have graduated from the program.

All Bachelor of General Studies candidates are required to define a "focus area" that combines two or more areas of study/disciplines in order to meet an educational goal that cannot be met by a traditional major.

On motion made and seconded, the Board convened into executive session to discuss certain personnel matters involving the performance of identifiable employees or faculty of VCU, and to discuss the evaluation of performance of departments or schools of VCU where such matters regarding such individuals might be affected by such evaluation including Faculty Appointments and Changes in Status including Health Care Provider Salaries, Full and Consultative Hospital Privileges, Financial Arrangements for Clinical Teachers, Audit Reports of individually identified departments and/or schools, and to discuss legal matters, active and recently resolved litigation and probable litigation with its attorney including legal considerations relating to the Rules and Procedures Document Revisions, and to discuss the condition, acquisition or use of real property for public purpose or of plans for the future of a state institution of higher education which could affect the value of property owned or desirable for ownership by such institution, and to discuss the investing of public funds, and to discuss matters relating to gifts, bequests, and fund-raising activities and the approval of the Named Funds Report, and to discuss matters relating to honorary degrees and special awards as authorized by Section 2.1-344 a(1), a(3), a(7), a(8) and a(10) of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

Following Executive session, on motion made and seconded, the following Resolution was approved by roll call vote:

Virginia Commonwealth University hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the executive session meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the executive session meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University.

<u>Roll Call Vote:</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Mr. Roger L. Gregory, Rector	X	
Mr. Richard A. Arenstein	X	
Dr. Thomas J. Berenguer	Absent	
Rev. Constantine N. Dombalis	X	
Mrs. Rozanne G. Epps	X	
Mr. Lawrence W. Framme, III	X	
Dr. Robert D. Gilmer	X	
Dr. William E. Holland	X	
Dr. Harry I. Johnson, Jr.	X	
Mr. Richard L. Meador	X	
Dr. Clifton L. Peay	Absent	
Mr. Stuart C. Siegel	X	
Ms. Eva S. Teig	X	
Mr. Clarence L. Townes, Jr.	X	
Mr. Jay M. Weinberg	X	
Mr. F. Dixon Whitworth, Jr.	X	

VOTE:

Ayes: 14

Nays: 0

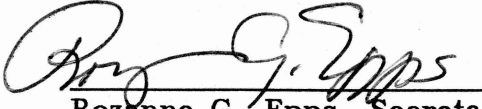
ABSENT DURING MEETING: 2

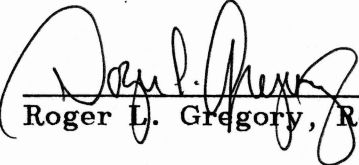
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On motion made and seconded, the Board accepted the Report of the President; approved the consent Agenda Action items including Faculty Appointments and Changes in Status and other Personnel Actions including Health Care Provider Salaries, Full and Consultative Hospital Privileges, and the Named Funds Report; accepted the Consent Agenda Information items including the Audit Committee Report, Health Affairs Committee's Report on Financial

Arrangements for Clinical Teachers, and the Property's Committee Report of matters relating to Real Estate Acquisition and/or Usage; and accepted the Report on the Special Awards Committee and the General Counsel's Report; and approved the Revisions to the Rules and Procedures Document as amended.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.


Rozanne G. Epps, Secretary


Roger L. Gregory, Rector