



**Virginia Commonwealth University  
Academic and Health Affairs Committee of the Board of Visitors**

**Minutes**

Date: September 17, 2015  
Time: 9:20 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.  
Location: Student Commons, Richmond Salons I and II, 907 Floyd Avenue,  
Richmond, VA

Present: Mr. Michael Fraizer, Chair  
Dr. Robert Holsworth, Vice-Chair  
Mr. William Ginther  
Mr. Ronald McFarlane  
Ms. Carol Shapiro  
Mr. Steve Worley  
Dr. Michael Rao  
Ms. Madelyn Wessel  
Staff and students from VCU and VCUHS  
Member of the press

Unavailable: Mr. G. Richard Wagoner, Jr.

The meeting was called to order at 9:20 a.m. a.m. by Mr. Fraizer and, on motion made and seconded; the Academic and Health Affairs Committee approved the Minutes of the Meeting held on May 8, 2015

On motion made and seconded the following actions items were approved:

- Proposal to establish a PhD in Special Education and Disability Policy
- Proposal to establish a Post-Masters Certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis

The following items were presented for information and after general discussion follow-up requests were made:

- **Committee Dashboard Review** was presented by Dr. Hackett. Dr. Hackett reviewed the progress made in respect to items on the committee dashboard.
- **Work Plans and Updates** were presented:

- Health Sciences Report by Dr. Rappley
- Inclusive Excellence Report by Dr. Mitchell
- Strategic Enrollment Management Report by Dr. Halloran
  
- **Strategic Update for discussion: Refocusing Quest: Student Success and Academic Quality** was presented by Dr. Hackett.
  
- **Faculty Representative Report** was presented by Ms. Nicholson and issues of concern to the faculty were discussed.
  
- **Staff Senate Report** was presented by Ms. Marcoccia and issues of concern to the staff were discussed.
  
- **Student Representative Report** was presented by Ms. Gathers and Mr. Meshkin. They discussed issues of concern to the students.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:52 a.m.