

**OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF VISITORS
Executive Committee Meeting
Monday, February 25, 2013**

MINUTES

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Old Dominion University Board of Visitors was held on Monday, February 25, 2013, at 12:00 Noon in the Board Room of Webb University Center on the Norfolk campus. Present from the Committee were:

Fred C. Whyte, Rector
Jeffrey W. Ainslie
Kenneth E. Ampy
Frank Batten, Jr.
Andrea M. Kilmer
Barry M. Kornblau

Also present from the Board was:

Judith O. Swystun

Present from the administration were:

John R. Broderick, President
Robert Fenning
David Harnage
Mohammad Karim
Donna W. Meeks
Jennifer Mullen

Earl Nance
September Sanderlin
Carol Simpson
James D. Wright
Johnny Young

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Rector called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. and asked for approval of the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on October 15, 2012. Upon a motion made by Mr. Ainslie and seconded by Mr. Ampy, the minutes were approved unanimously by all members present and voting. (*Ainslie, Ampy, Batten, Kilmer, Kornblau, Swystun*)

RECTOR'S REPORT

Rector Whyte commented on dismissal of the men's basketball coach, noting that the President and Athletic Director kept him informed throughout the process. If contacted by the media, he will not comment, since it is not the job of a Board member to comment on personnel decisions made by the University.

A memorial service is being planned for President Alfred B. Rollins, Jr. It will be held on campus on either March 4 or 8, depending on the wishes of the family. President Rollins did many great things at the University, but he was most proud of his affirmative action efforts. Sara Jones, volunteer assistant women's basketball coach, passed away after a long battle with cancer.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Broderick reported on the State budget that was executed on Saturday and included the following for Old Dominion: \$5.5M in additional E&G funds from the \$20M in new funds for higher education included in the Governor's budget; \$900,000 in student financial aid; and \$125,000 for a joint study with EVMS on a school of public health. The General Assembly increased the faculty salary increase to 3% from the Governor's proposed 2% and added a compression adjustment of \$65 per year of service to the 2% salary increase for classified employees. The New Education Building was included in the capital budget, so construction may begin during the upcoming fiscal year.

President Broderick commended Governor McDonnell for honoring his pledge to support higher education in general and Old Dominion in particular. Virginia is one of the few states moving in the right direction. He thanked Jeff Ainslie, Bill Cofer and Dee Gilmore for going with him to meet with the Governor. COO Harnage added that receiving this amount of funding in the second year of a biennium is precedent-setting and he congratulated the efforts of the board members, President Broderick and Elizabeth Kersey for making a case for Old Dominion. A letter to the campus community will be sent out this afternoon and Donna will send it to all Board members.

The President highlighted the following activities and initiatives at the University:

Academic Affairs

- The Graduate Program in International Studies is celebrating its 20th anniversary. The President's lecture in honor of the anniversary is scheduled for April 23 featuring Joseph Nye, Jr. of Harvard University.
- Professors Carolyn Rutledge, Meg Lemaster, Michelle Renard, Karen Kott and Christianne Fowler of the College of Health Sciences received a \$1 million grant from Health Resources and Service Administration for their project on Inter-Professional Training on Health Promotion, Geriatrics and Team-Based Care.
- The College of Sciences introduced supplemental instruction and tutoring that resulted in statistically significant increases in grades and decreases in failure rate of students taking Math 102. President Broderick complimented Dean Platsoucas and his colleagues on this program and suggested that they make a presentation at a future meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee meeting.
- The Darden College of Education and the Batten College of Engineering and Technology were selected to begin the first "Uteach" program in Virginia which prepares STEM teachers for grades K-12, increasing both the number and quality of STEM educators.

Research:

- Professor Patrick Hatcher in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry received a \$3.05 million award from Aqua Terra International for his project on Creating High-Value Green Chemicals from Biodiesel Processing.
- Professors Sylvain Marsillac and Shirshak Dhali from the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering received a \$500,000 grant from Dominion Resources for their project on Development of a Test Facility for Photovoltaic Systems.

Student Engagement and Enrollment Services:

- SEES is partnering with Academic Affairs and Community Engagement to pilot an initiative that will integrate service activities across several courses and disciplines. The President complimented Vice President Neufeldt and Provost Simpson for developing this partnership between academics and student engagement.
- A parent education and engagement model is being built that is designed to educate parents on length of time to degree, persistence and effective tools to aid in the success of the first-year students.

Administration and Finance:

- New capital projects under construction include the Systems Research Building (projected completion: December 2013), Diehn Building II (projected completion: Summer 2013), and the New Art Building (projected completion: February 2014).

University Advancement:

- The Office of Development raised \$4.5 million in new money during the last quarter of 2012 and is on track to reach the fundraising goals for the year.

Athletics:

- A record number 144 student-athletes made the Dean's List in fall 2012.
- Ten ODU football players were named to the 2012 CAA Academic All-Conference Team.
- The CAA honored Chris Mecate as Wrestling Rookie of the Week three times so far during the month of February.

President Broderick again recognized the passing of Alfred B. Rollins, Jr. and Sara Jones. Staff are working with Helen Jones on the memorial service for Dr. Rollins. Sara had a profound impact on the women's basketball team.

The Rector complimented the President on Old Dominion's success in this year's budget.

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

The Rector recognized Mr. Kornblau, who made the following Motion: "Mr. Rector, I move that this meeting be recessed, and, as permitted by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A) (7), we reconvene in closed session for the purpose of consultation with legal counsel pertaining to actual or probably litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the University." The motion was

seconded and approved by all members present and voting. (*Ainslie, Ampy, Batten, Kilmer, Kornblau, Swystun*)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT CERTIFICATION

At the conclusion of the closed session, the meeting was reconvened in open session, at which time the Vice Rector called for the Freedom of Information Act certification of compliance that (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements under the Freedom of Information Act were discussed and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened were heard, discussed or considered. The certification of compliance was six in favor and none opposed. (*Ainslie, Ampy, Batten, Kilmer, Kornblau, Swystun*)

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no old or unfinished business to come before the Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to come before the Committee.

The Rector announced that the March 11th meeting will be cancelled. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.