

**RADFORD UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF VISITORS RETREAT
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**Monday, November 10, 2003
1:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Members present:

Mr. Jay S. Poole, Rector
Mr. Stephan Q. Cassaday, Vice Rector
Ms. Nancy H. Agee
Mrs. Mary Ann Hovis
Mr. Randal J. Kirk
Mr. R. Scott LaRose
Mr. Anthony Moore
Dr. Cora S. Salzberg
Mrs. Barbara D. Turk
Mr. Matt Crisp (non-voting, advisory student representative)
Dr. Doug Woolley (non-voting, advisory faculty representative)

Members absent:

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Davis
Mr. Joseph E. Freeman, III

Others present:

Dr. Douglas Covington, Mr. David Burdette, Dr. Norleen Pomerantz, Dr. Warren Self, Dr. Rick Slavings, Ms. Cary Sutherland, Mr. Charlie Wood, Dr. Felix Amenkhienan, Ms. Doris Bratton, Ms. Debbie Brown, Dr. Jack Call, Ms. Karen Castele, Dr. Karma Castleberry, Dr. Bill Dempsey, Mr. Dave Hayes, Ms. Key Heidbreder, Dr. James Lollar, Dr. Paul Sale, Dr. Joe Scartelli, Dr. Carole Seyfrit, Dr. Will Stanton, Dr. Skip Thompson, Ms. Jenni Webb, Ms. Evelyn Wilson, Mr. Kevin Miller, and Mr. Bob Thomas

Welcoming remarks were given by Rector Jay Poole and Mr. Steve Cassaday, Vice-Rector and Chair of the Board Retreat Committee.

Mr. Poole stated that the purpose of the meeting was to begin the process of creating Radford University's Vision Statement. Each person in attendance was invited to state their idea of what RU's vision is and should be in the future.

All statements were recorded and will be cataloged to define the critical points raised during the retreat. Some ideas that were discussed include the following:

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- Vision statement should be conceptual...general in some ways.
- What should RU become in order to fulfill its mission?
- What is the role of the institution within the role of external contingency?
- What makes RU special?
- Advantages and disadvantages of being known as the University of Southwest Virginia.
- Vision statement should be future-oriented.
- What is education going to be in the future?
- Must make choices. Can't be everything to everybody.
- Statement must distinguish RU in terms of what it does best.
- Emphasis on teaching/learning. What is it? How is it different at RU?
- Who is our customer? What is our product?
- Students are our focus.
- RU offers individual attention.
- What is RU's basic goal?
- Resources – How do we pay for it? – Private/public funding.

Dr. Covington and his staff will continue the process by scheduling sessions with the Faculty Senate, Administrative Senate, Staff Senate, Student Government Association, and the Executive Council of the Alumni Association.

After a brief recess at 3:05 p.m., the meeting reconvened at 3:30 p.m.

Executive Session

Mrs. Hovis made a motion, pursuant to **Section 2.2-3711-1** of the Freedom of Information Act, that the Board go into "Executive Session" for the purpose of "**Discussion of Personnel Issues.**" Seconded by Mr. Kirk, the motion carried. The Board requested that Dr. Douglas Woolley be present during the Executive Session.

Open Session

Motion: Mrs. Hovis

Resolution No. 1

Second: Mr. Cassaday

Meeting Date: 11/10/03

Certification of Executive Meeting

WHEREAS, the Radford University Board of Visitors has convened an executive meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this Board that such executive meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Radford University Board of Visitors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by this chapter, and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Radford University Board of Visitors.

VOTE: yes - Mr. Jay S. Poole yes - Mr. Stephan Q. Cassaday
 yes - Ms. Nancy H. Agee yes - Mrs. Mary Ann Hovis
 yes - Mr. Randal J. Kirk yes - Mr. R. Scott LaRose
 yes - Mr. Anthony Moore yes - Dr. Cora S. Salzberg
 yes - Mrs. Barbara D. Turk

Doris M. Bratton, Secretary
Radford University Board of Visitors