

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING 8:00 A.M. FEBRUARY 14, 2020 PRESIDENT'S CONFERENCE ROOM THIRD FLOOR, MARTIN HALL, RADFORD, VA

## DRAFT MINUTES

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. Robert A. Archer, Rector

Mr. James Kibler, Jr., Vice Rector

Dr. Thomas Brewster

Mr. Gregory A. Burton

Dr. Rachel D. Fowlkes

Ms. Lisa Throckmorton

Mr. Mark S. Lawrence, Ex officio

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

President Brian O. Hemphill

Ms. Karen Casteele, Secretary to the Board of Visitors and Special Assistant to the President

Ms. Ashley Schumaker, Chief of Staff and Vice President for University Relations Mr. Allen T. Wilson, Assistant Attorney General, Commonwealth of Virginia

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Robert A. Archer, Rector, called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 8:02 a.m. in the President's Conference Room in Martin Hall. He commended the President and staff for the Reed and Curie Halls Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and invited Board members to tour the building if they have not had an opportunity. Rector Archer recognized the passing of Bobby Hickman. He also reminded Board members of the Mark S. Lawrence Student Scholarship and thanked the Board members who participated in Advocacy Day. Rector Archer also updated the Committee on the mentorship program introduced at the December meeting. Dr. Jay Brown, Dr. Rachel Fowlkes and Dr. Debra McMahon were named to serve on an ad hoc committee and make a recommendation for the program.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Rector Archer asked for a motion to approve the February 14, 2020 agenda, as published. Mr. James Kibler so moved, Dr. Debra McMahon seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Rector Archer asked for a motion to approve the December 6, 2019 minutes of the Executive Committee, as published. Dr. McMahon so moved, Mr. Kibler seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

### PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Brian O. Hemphill, Ph.D. began by thanking the Board members who attended the ribbon cutting ceremony and basketball game. President Hemphill continued by briefing the Committee on recent University activities, including the University's continued work on retention and the partnership with Ruffalo Noel Levitz. President Hemphill also updated the Committee members on the current General Assembly session and meetings with legislators, leadership and staff.

#### **UPDATES FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

Committee chairs deferred updates to be made at the Board of Visitors meeting.

Dr. Fowlkes pointed out the importance of the upcoming nominating process and asked Committee members to please take the time to thoughtfully consider the nominations, discuss with the person first to see if they are willing to serve and then submit the names within 10 days after Chair Jay Brown calls for nominations.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Executive Committee, Rector Archer requested a motion to adjourn. Mr. Kibler so moved, Dr. Fowlkes seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:41 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Karen Casteele Secretary to the Board of Visitors and Special Assistant to the President

# **End of Board of Visitors Materials**

