

All-Virtual Special Called Meeting 3:00 p.m.\*\*
June 27, 2025

**DRAFT**MINUTES

#### **Board Members Present**

Mr. Marquett Smith, Rector

Mr. Tyler W. Lester, Vice Rector

Mr. Dale Ardizzone

Ms. Betsy D. Beamer

Ms. Joann S. Craig

Ms. Callie M. Dalton

Mr. William C. Davis

Mrs. Jennifer Wishon Gilbert

Mr. George Mendiola, Jr.

Mr. David A. Smith

Mr. James C. Turk

Mr. Jonathan D. Sweet joined the meeting and experienced connection issues.

### **Board Member Absent**

Ms. Jeanne S. Armentrout

Dr. Betty Jo Foster

Ms. Lisa W. Pompa

#### Call to Order

Rector Marquett Smith called the all-virtual special-called meeting of the Radford University Board of Visitors to order at 3:00 p.m. Rector Smith thanked the Board of Visitors members for taking their time to participate in this important process.

### Report from Nominations Committee

Mr. David Smith shared that the process for nominations was different this year with the Bylaws being suspended allowing the Board to wait until the Governor made his appointments since the current Rector and Vice Rector both have terms ending on June 30.

Mr. David Smith stated, as Chair of the Nominating Committee, he was pleased that the Board was able to quickly put the nominations process in place and can provide the committee's recommendations to the full

Board for a vote for Rector and Vice Rector. The Nominating Committee submitted the following: Mr. Tyler Lester as Rector and Mrs. Jennifer Wishon Gilbert as Vice Rector.

## **Election of Rector and Vice Rector**

With no additional nominations from the floor, Mr. David Smith moved to close the nominations. Ms. Betsy D. Beamer seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Rector Marquett Smith asked for a motion to elect Mr. Tyler Lester as Rector and Mrs. Jennifer Wishon Gilbert as Vice Rector. Mr. William C. Davis so moved, Mr. Dale Ardizzone seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Board, Rector Smith adjourned the meeting at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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