



Executive Committee

September 18, 2026; 8:30 a.m.

Kyle Hall, Dean's Conference Room, Radford VA

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Minutes

Executive Committee Members Present

Mr. Dale Ardizzone, Rector

Ms. Jennifer Wishon Gilbert, Vice Rector & Enrollment Management and Brand Equity Chair

Ms. Joann Craig, Business Affairs and Audit Chair

Dr. Betty Jo Foster, Academic Excellence and Student Success Chair

Mr. David A. Smith, Student Affairs and Athletics Chair

Ms. Betsy Beamer, External Engagement Chair

Other Board Members Present

Ms. Mary Anne Holbrook

Ms. Callie Dalton

Mr. Chris Settle

Ms. Nancy Rice

Ms. Jeanne Fishwick

Others Present

Dr. Bret Danilowicz, President

Dr. Bethany Usher, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Ms. Susan Richardson, University Counsel

Dr. Ryan Bowyer, Chief of Staff

Call to Order

Rector Dale Ardizzone called the meeting to order at approximately 8:00 a.m. in Kyle Hall, third floor Dean's Suite.

Approval of Agenda

Rector Ardizzone requested approval of the agenda. The approval of the agenda was motioned by Ms. Betsy Beamer, seconded by Mr. David Smith, and approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Rector Ardizzone requested approval of the minutes from the June 2026 executive committee meeting. Approval for the June 2026 minutes were motioned by Dr. Betty Jo Foster, seconded by Ms. Joann Craig, and approved unanimously.

Committee Discussion

Rector Ardizzone began by providing an overview of the previous day's committee discussion. Each committee chair provided an overview of the previous day's committee. Specific minutes and discussion points may be found in those respective committee minutes.

Closed Session

Jennifer Wishon Gilbert motioned to go into closed session pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act exceptions (A) (1) and (8). This was seconded by Ms. Betsy Beamer and approved unanimously.

Jennifer Wishon Gilbert motioned to come out of closed session. A roll call vote was conducted and each member of the executive committee affirmed that only business legally exempted was discussed.

President's Performance Plan

Approval for President Bret Danilowicz's 2026-2027 performance plan was motioned by Jennifer Wishon Gilbert, seconded by Ms. Betsy Beamer, and approved unanimously.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Board, Rector Ardizzone adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Bowyer, Ed.D.

Chief of Staff



Radford University Board of Visitors

Resolution

Performance Plan Approval for 2026-2027

President Bret Danilowicz

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Board of Visitors hereby approves President Bret Danilowicz's Performance Plan for 2026-2027, as discussed in closed session on July 21, 2026, and that said performance plan pursuant to Section E of the Employment Agreement with President Bret Danilowicz, dated December 7, 2021, is considered a personnel record.