

**UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
BOARD OF VISITORS**

**Meeting of the Committee on
The University of Virginia's
College at Wise**

September 24, 2021

**COMMITTEE ON THE UNIVERSITY OF
VIRGINIA'S COLLEGE AT WISE**

Friday, September 24, 2021

8:30 – 9:15 a.m.

Board Room, The Rotunda

Committee Members:

Elizabeth M. Cranwell, Chair

Mark T. Bowles, Vice Chair

Carlos M. Brown

Frank M. Conner III

Angela Hucles Mangano

C. Evans Poston

Whittington W. Clement, Ex-officio

Joel W. Hockensmith, Faculty Representative

Sarita Mehta, Student Representative

Priscilla Brame, Faculty Consulting Member

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COMMITTEE: The University of Virginia's College at Wise

AGENDA ITEM: I. Remarks by Committee Chair

ACTION REQUIRED: None

DISCUSSION: Committee Chair, Ms. Elizabeth Cranwell, will make opening remarks.

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AGENDA ITEM: II. UVA Wise Strategic Plan

BACKGROUND: Development of *A Decade of Renewal and Innovation*, the College’s proposed strategic plan, began in spring 2020. The Strategic Plan was guided and vetted by a campus planning committee and it reflects input from a series of focus group sessions with students, faculty, staff and community members. The UVA Wise Board and the Board of Visitors also remained apprised of plan development, proposed goals and intended initiatives. The UVA Wise Board reviewed and endorsed the plan at its meeting on September 10, 2021.

DISCUSSION: *A Decade of Renewal and Innovation* is organized around five key pillars that ultimately aim to instill the principles of a liberal arts education in students and graduates while also equipping them with the professional skills necessary to enter the workforce and evolve alongside a changing society and world. The plan seeks to restructure the College’s academic experience through thoughtful changes in the core curriculum. It also builds on experiential learning opportunities while improving the College’s academic offerings to meet market demands; investing in the College’s talented workforce; improving college enrollment, retention and graduation; and updating systems and policies. The plan may be found electronically here:

<https://www.uvawise.edu/sites/default/files/attachments/pages/2021-09/Strategic-Plan.pdf>

ACTION REQUIRED: Approval by the Committee on The University of Virginia’s College at Wise and by the Board of Visitors

THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA’S COLLEGE AT WISE STRATEGIC PLAN

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors approves the University of Virginia’s College at Wise strategic plan, *A Decade of Renewal and Innovation*, as presented at the September 24, 2021 meeting of the Board of Visitors.

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AGENDA ITEM: III.A. UVA Wise 2021 Six Year Institutional Plan

ACTION REQUIRED: None

BACKGROUND: Pursuant to the Restructured Higher Education Financial and Administrative Operations Act of 2005 (Restructuring Act) and the Virginia Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2011 (HEOA), in odd-numbered years each public institution of higher education must develop, adopt, and submit a six-year plan addressing the institution’s academic, financial, and enrollment plans. In even-numbered years, institutions are required to affirm or amend the plan. In accordance with the Restructuring Act, the HEOA and subsequent communications from State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV), the College at Wise submitted its preliminary 2021 Six-Year Institutional Plans on July 1, 2021.

DISCUSSION: The plan for the College at Wise addresses the statewide higher education strategic plan, *Pathways to Opportunity: The Virginia Plan for Higher Education*, the HEOA, and the College’s strategic plan, *A Decade of Renewal and Innovation*, through interconnected initiatives aimed at enhancing recruitment, retention, and engagement of students; improving professional development and retention of talented faculty and staff; and expanding the Master of Science in Nursing and Family Nurse Practitioner programs.

The Board of Visitors must formally adopt institutional six-year plans prior to submission of the final plans by October 1, 2021.

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AGENDA ITEM: III.B. Report of the Chancellor

ACTION REQUIRED: None

DISCUSSION: Ms. Henry will report to the committee on fall 2021 enrollment, including the Year in Wise program which admits deferred admission students from UVA. Ms. Henry will also report on classroom operations, vaccination efforts, residential life, and ongoing testing in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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AGENDA ITEM: III.C. Remarks by the Faculty Consulting Member

ACTION REQUIRED: None

DISCUSSION: Ms. Priscilla Brame will report on current initiatives underway in academic affairs.