



THE RECTOR AND VISITORS OF THE
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Committee on The University of Virginia's College at
Wise:

John G. Macfarlane III, Chair
Whittington W. Clement
Frank M. Conner III
Helen E. Dragas
Barbara J. Fried
William H. Goodwin Jr., Ex-officio
Joe Garofalo, Faculty Consulting Member
Daniel T. Judge, Student Member
Mark W. Clark, Faculty Consulting Member

and

The Remaining Members of the Board:

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FROM: Susan G. Harris

RE: Minutes of the Committee on The University of Virginia's
College at Wise on November 12, 2015

The Committee on The University of Virginia's College at Wise of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 2:24 p.m., on Thursday, November 12, 2015, in the Auditorium of the Albert & Shirley Small Special Collections Library of the Harrison Institute. John G. Macfarlane III, Chair, presided.

Present were William H. Goodwin Jr., Frank M. Conner III, Barbara J. Fried, Joe Garofalo, Daniel T. Judge, and Mark W. Clark.

Mark T. Bowles, L.D. Britt, M.D., Frank E. Genovese, Victoria D. Harker, and Jeffrey C. Walker also attended.

Present as well were Teresa A. Sullivan, Patrick D. Hogan, Susan G. Harris, Donna P. Henry, Richard C. Kast, David W. Martel, Debra D. Rinker, Nancy A. Rivers, Roscoe C. Roberts, and W. Thomas Leback.

Mr. Macfarlane opened the meeting. Before giving the floor to Ms. Henry, he explained that the first agenda item, the committee work plan, had been developed after the September meeting and reviewed with President Sullivan.

Action Item: Committee on Wise Work Plan

Ms. Henry outlined the work plan, which consists of three goals. The first is student recruitment and retention. It has three components. The first is to work with the local community colleges to create partnerships that encourage high school students to pursue two-year and four-year degrees. The second is to consider programs that facilitate greater connectivity with northern Virginia, Tidewater, and other densely populated regions of the Commonwealth. The third is to participate in the Virginia College Advising Core to place graduates in Wise County high schools to serve as college advisors.

The second goal is to expand coordination between the College and the University focusing on the UVA-Wise Foundation Board, the deferred admission agreement, and operations. Operational areas will include human resources, planning and design, general counsel, sponsored programs, economic development, finance, and procurement.

The third goal is regional economic development. Components include a summer residential program at the Darden School i.Lab, coordination with the Health System and School of Medicine on the Med Match program and the Healthy Appalachia Institute, initiation of a College research presence at the Mountain Lake Biological Station, and service centers operations.

In response to a question from Mr. Conner about providing transportation for Wise Students between the College and their homes, Ms. Henry said that the College has provided transportation for some students and is looking into a program that would provide transportation for more students at the beginning of the year, during holidays, and at the end of the year.

On motion, the Committee approved the following resolution:

THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA'S COLLEGE AT WISE WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR
2015-2016

RESOLVED, the Committee on the College at Wise approves the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 goals:

1. Student Recruitment and Retention: Assist Chancellor Henry and UVA-Wise College Staff with the development of strategies and initiatives to improve student recruitment and retention.

2. Intra-disciplinary Coordination: Identify and facilitate coordination between operating disciplines on Grounds in Charlottesville and on the UVA-Wise Campus.
3. Regional Economic Development: Study feasibility of extension of Charlottesville programs to Wise.

Remarks by the Chair of the Committee

Mr. Macfarlane thanked Mr. Conner and Ms. Fried for their participation in the site visit by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) that was held at the College in October.

Report of the Chancellor

Ms. Henry referenced the Envisioning 2020 Strategic Plan progress report that had been distributed to the committee. During the committee discussion, Mr. Judge asked about collaboration between faculty and students at the College and the University. Mr. Clark responded that he was not aware of any. Mr. Macfarlane asked that research collaboration between the two institutions be added to the list of intra-disciplinary initiatives on the committee work plan.

Ms. Henry concluded her remarks with a report on the SACSCOC site visit. The SACSCOC on-site committee made no compliance standards recommendations and offered only one recommendation on the College's quality enhancement plan. The final report on the College's reaffirmation of accreditation will be made at the June SACS board meeting. Ms. Sullivan commented that it was a good accreditation visit, that it is rare to have so few recommendations made during a site first, and that there should be no issues with the final report. Some issues had been raised in the initial off-site report, but they were adequately addressed by the College during the site visit.

Remarks by the Faculty Consulting Member

Mr. Clark used the words and success of four recent graduates to illustrate the impact of faculty mentors and the transformative power of the liberal arts education provided by the College.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

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