

MEETING OF THE FULL BOARD

Friday, March 3, 2023

1:15 - 3:15 p.m.

Board Room, The Rotunda

- A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 8-9, 2022 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS** (The Rector)
- B. ACTION ITEMS**
 - 1. Memorial Resolution for Don R. Pippin
 - 2. Memorial Resolution for Virginia Rogers "Jinks" Holton
 - 3. Commending Resolution for Lily A. Roberts
 - 4. Statement on Free Speech
- C. DISCUSSION WITH UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP**
 - 1. Something Great: Leading Position in Student Awards
 - 2. Something Challenging: Local Challenges around Gun Violence
- D. REMARKS/REPORTS**
 - 1. Remarks by the Rector
 - 2. Remarks by the Student Member (Ms. Roberts)
 - 3. Remarks by the Faculty Senate Chair (Ms. Jennings)
 - 4. Gifts and Grants Report (Written Report)

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 8-9, 2022 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors approves the minutes of the December 8-9, 2022 meeting of the Board of Visitors.

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B.1. MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR DON R. PIPPIN

WHEREAS, Don R. Pippin, a native of Coeburn, Virginia, attended Clinch Valley College (later named The University of Virginia's College at Wise) from 1957-1958 where he took a Certificate in English Language and Literature before transferring to the University of Virginia, where he took a Bachelor of Arts in the College of Arts & Sciences in 1960 and a Juris Doctor from the School of Law in 1963; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pippin was a strong and steadfast advocate for the College at Wise. As a student he travelled to Richmond to speak before the General Assembly to successfully advocate for funding a new gymnasium for the College, which was later named the Fred B. Greear Gymnasium; and

WHEREAS, as a student at the University, Don Pippin lived on the Lawn. He continued his advocacy for the Southwest Virginia region and assisted other students from the region to become successful and valued members of the University community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pippin had a successful and busy law practice in Wise County, but he was always ready to assist the College at Wise. He wrote the Articles of Incorporation for, and was a founding Board of Directors member of, the Clinch Valley College Alumni Association, serving as President in 1964-1965; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pippin served with great distinction on the College at Wise Board, the College at Wise Foundation Board, and the Alumni Association Board during a time when the College constructed several new buildings and renovated others, added a software engineering program, and strengthened its relationship with the University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pippin was appointed to the Board of Visitors in 2002 by Governor Warner and was reappointed in 2006 to a second term by Governor Kaine. He chaired the Board's Committee on the College at Wise among other activities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pippin was beloved by many because of his warm demeanor and "country lawyer" manner, as well as his jokes and stories; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pippin was recognized as the College at Wise's Volunteer of the Year in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pippin's wife, Gloria R. "Gigi" Pippin and his son, F. Scott Pippin, have been major supporters and cheerleaders for the College at Wise as well; and

WHEREAS, in addition to devoting his time and talent to the College at Wise, Mr. Pippin also donated to many transformational projects, including scholarships, most notably the Hallie and Wanda Pippin Scholarship, named after his parents; and

WHEREAS, Don R. Pippin has inspired, encouraged, and persuaded many individuals, the General Assembly, and businesses throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia, to support the College at Wise and the Southwest Virginia region; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 the College at Wise renamed Wyllie Hall as Don R. Pippin and John C. Wyllie Hall to express its deep gratitude to Mr. Pippin for all that he accomplished on behalf of the College;

RESOLVED, the members of the Board of Visitors commend the life and devoted service of Don R. Pippin, mourn his passing, and express their deepest condolences to Gigi and Scott Pippin and his many friends and colleagues.

B.2. MEMORIAL RESOLUTION FOR VIRGINIA ROGERS HOLTON

WHEREAS, Virginia Rogers “Jinks” Holton, a native of Roanoke, Virginia, took a degree from Wellesley College in 1946 and worked in Belgium following World War II. She moved to Washington, D.C. to work for the C.I.A. as an intelligence analyst. On a visit to family in Roanoke, she met her future husband, Governor Linwood Holton of Big Stone Gap. They married in 1953; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Holton was very active in Virginia politics and the Republican party. She was an advocate for improving the lives of children in Virginia, which led to her involvement in initiatives including founding Voices for Virginia’s Children and the Northern Neck Appointed Special Advocates; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Holton and her husband were leaders in supporting racial integration of the schools, and took a public stand against segregation by choosing to enroll their middle and high school children in predominantly Black schools in Richmond; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Holton enjoyed the outdoors and sports, and served as president of the Virginia Environmental Endowment and as a member of the board of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation. She played tennis and later pickleball, and loved to ski; and

WHEREAS, in her later years, she volunteered for Habitat for Humanity, helping to build homes in Virginia and around the world; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Rogers Holton served the University as a member of the Board of Visitors from 1974 to 1982, and as a trustee of the Medical School Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Holton will be remembered for her selfless work to better the lives of children and families in the Commonwealth, both in her role as first lady and by dedicating her time and talent to many worthy initiatives and organizations; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Holton passed away on December 16, 2022 at the age of 97;

RESOLVED, the members of the Board of Visitors commend the life and devoted service of Virginia Rogers Holton, mourn her passing, and express their deepest condolences to her children and their spouses, her grandchildren, great grandchildren, and her many friends.

B.3. COMMENDING RESOLUTION FOR LILY A. ROBERTS

WHEREAS, Lily A. Roberts of Williamsburg, Virginia is a fourth year in the School of Architecture, pursuing a Distinguished Major in Urban + Environmental Planning, and minors in Architectural History, Dance, and Design, who will graduate in May 2023; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Roberts serves as a Senior Resident in Housing and Residence Life, overseeing an upper class housing association of over 200 students; is a Class of 2023 Meriwether Lewis Institute for Citizen Engagement fellow; serves on the executive committee of the UVA Chapter of the National Organization of Minority Architecture Students; and serves as a Student Ambassador for the School of Architecture's admissions office, engaging with prospective and admitted undergraduate and graduate students; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Roberts is a member of St. Paul's Memorial Church's student ministry, The University Fellowship, and is the recipient of the James H. Skinner Scholarship and a University Achievement Award as well as on the Dean's List; and

WHEREAS, as student representative to the Board of Visitors for 2022-2023, Ms. Roberts has helped to inform the Board of student perspectives on a number of timely and important issues including undergraduate advising structure and programs; diversity and inclusion initiatives; safety; enrollment policies; and student engagement; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Roberts' calm demeanor and tireless work centered around student assistance and healing after the tragic shooting of five students was noted and appreciated by Visitors and the University administration;

RESOLVED, the members of the Board of Visitors commend Lily Roberts for her devoted service to the Board and the University, respect her as a valued colleague, and wish her every success and happiness in her future endeavors.

B.4. STATEMENT ON FREE SPEECH

WHEREAS, the Council of Presidents, at the Governor's encouragement, formulated a statement expressing their collective commitment to promoting and protecting free speech;

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors endorses the Statement on Free Speech articulated by the Council of Presidents. This statement is consistent with, and supports, the University's Statement of the Committee on Free Expression and Free Inquiry endorsed by the Board in June 2021.

Council of Presidents Statement on Free Speech

As presidents of Virginia's public colleges and universities, we unequivocally support free expression and viewpoint diversity on our campuses. Free expression is the fundamental basis for both academic freedom and for effective teaching and learning inside and outside the classroom. Our member universities and colleges are bound to uphold the First Amendment. We are committed to promoting this constitutional freedom through robust statements and policies that are formulated through shared governance processes and through actions that reflect and reinforce this core foundation of education. We value a scholarly environment that is supported by a diversity of research and intellectual perspectives among our faculty and staff. We pledge to promote and uphold inclusivity, academic freedom, free expression, and an environment that promotes civil discourse across differences. We will protect these principles when others seek to restrict them.

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D.4. GIFTS & GRANTS REPORT

Summary of Fiscal Year 2023 through January 31, 2023:

Total fundraising progress for the University of Virginia and its related foundations was \$337,514,692 through January 31, 2023. Gifts and Commitments to the School of Medicine, School of Law, School of Nursing, School of Education and Human Development, Alumni Association, School of Architecture, School of Engineering and Applied Science, University Libraries, Fralin Museum of Art, Miller Center, Jeffersonian Grounds, Center for Politics, Women's Center, School of Continuing and Professional Studies, and Blandy Experimental Farm, State Arboretum of Virginia saw increases over the previous fiscal year.

Significant Gifts Received Since the Last Meeting:

- William F. Indoe and Jane J. Indoe deferred gift of \$12,000,000 to the School of Law for School of Law Professorships.
- Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation private grants totaling \$5,733,649 to the School of Education and Human Development for Navigate 2.0; and to the School of Medicine for serologic studies, research, and statistical support of global pediatric diarrhea surveillance, research support for molecular testing for Shigella, and research support of the passive environmental sampler for polio viruses.
- Howard Hughes Medical Institute private grants totaling \$2,800,000 to the University for research support in transforming STEM learning environments; and to the School of Medicine for research support of pathogenic brain states: cells and circuits involved in altered brain function after non-CNS infection.
- Alumni Board of Trustees gift of \$2,796,324 to the President's Contingent Fund.

- Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund gift of \$2,000,000 recommended by John P. Connaughton and Stephanie F. Connaughton to the McIntire School of Commerce for the Connaughton Bicentennial Scholars Fund.
- Jane P. Batten pledge payment of \$1,991,719 to the School of Leadership and Public Policy for the Batten Family Bicentennial Scholars Fund.
- Ascendium Education Solutions, Inc. private grant of \$1,276,000 to the School of Education and Human Development for support of Professor Ben Castleman and his research focusing on policies to improve college access and success for low-income students.
- Anonymous gifts totaling \$1,244,144 to the Rare Book School for the Rare Book School Endowment.
- Community Foundation of Greater Richmond gift of \$1,200,000 recommended by Anthony F. Markel to Athletics for the Dean/Markel Men's Head Basketball Coach Endowment.
- Gaillee M. Fitzpatrick and Neil Fitzpatrick gift of \$1,200,000 to the University for the Contemplative Commons.
- Molly G. Hardie MD and Robert D. Hardie pledge payment of \$860,000 to Athletics for the Master Plan for Virginia Athletics.
- Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund gift of \$700,000 recommended by Mark T. Massey to the Jefferson Scholars Foundation for the Massey Family Jefferson Endowed Professorship.
- Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation private grant of \$675,000 to the College of Arts & Sciences for The GLIMPSE System: Unlocking a new, dynamic view of living tissue.
- John E. Hagefstration Jr. deferred gifts totaling \$653,820 to the University for The John E. Hagefstration Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust; and to the School of Law for unrestricted support.
- Josephine L. Iselin gift of \$650,677 to the University Libraries for the Special Collections Library.
- Geoffrey S. Close and Deborah Close deferred gift of \$514,615 to the College of Arts & Sciences for undesignated support.
- Robert S. Call MD and Mary H. Call gift of \$500,000 to Athletics for the Dr. Bobby Call and Mary Helwig Call Walk-on #27 Bicentennial Scholars Fund.
- Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund gift of \$500,000 recommended by Donna G. Tadler and Richard D. Tadler to the University for the Donna and Richard Tadler University Professorship of Entrepreneurship.

- Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund gift of \$400,000 recommended by Lisa Smith and David A. Barr to the College of Arts & Sciences for the College of Arts & Sciences Bicentennial Scholars Fund.
- Commonwealth Foundations, G.P. gift of \$400,000 recommended by William H. Goodwin Jr., Alice T. Goodwin, Kirsti W. Goodwin, and Matthew T. Goodwin to the Jefferson Scholars Foundation for the Goodwin/Hardie Family Darden Jefferson Fellowship.
- Anonymous gift of \$375,000 to the Miller Center for the Obama Oral History Project.
- Arizona State University private grant of \$358,399 recommended by The Wallace Foundation to the School of Architecture for Arts Organizations Centering Communities of Color: Community Orientation Study.
- Peter M. Grant II and Colleen J. Grant gift of \$335,000 to Athletics for the Peter M. Grant II Family Bicentennial Scholars Fund.
- Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund gift of \$333,334 recommended by Inna F. Moore and Mark C. Moore to the University for the Inna and Mark Moore Cavalier Fund.
- Autoliv Development Aktiebolag private grant of \$300,187 to the School of Engineering and Applied Science for support of Professor Jason R. Kerrigan and his research in injury biomechanics.
- August Heid Trust private grant of \$300,000 to the School of Medicine for the UVA Children's Neurodevelopmental & Behavioral Health Center-Riverside.
- Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund gift of \$300,000 recommended by Joy I. Shivas to the School of Medicine for the Thomas Cardiovascular Magnetic Resonance Development Fund.
- American Heart Association private grant of \$299,997 to the School of Medicine for research support of protein therapy to treat chemotherapy induced cardiomyopathy.
- Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund gift of \$275,000 recommended by Paula P. Pessner and Ronald O. Pessner to the University for the Pessner Family Bicentennial Scholars Fund.
- Austin Community Foundation gift of \$250,000 recommended by Eric H. Starkloff and National Instruments to the School of Engineering and Applied Science for the School of Engineering Bridge Program Endowment Fund.
- The Ivy Foundation pledge payment of \$250,000 directed by Robert W. Battle MD and Martha D. Battle MD to the School of Medicine for The Ivy Fund: Biomedical Innovation.

- John H. Carrington and Laura Carrington gift of \$250,000 to Athletics for the Master Plan for Virginia Athletics.
- Clark Construction Group, LLC pledge payment of \$250,000 directed by Dan T. Montgomery to the School of Engineering and Applied Science for the Montgomery Bicentennial Professorship Fund.
- Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund gift of \$250,000 recommended by Erik R. Hirsch and Margaret A. McAllister to the College of Arts & Sciences for the Erik R. Hirsch Family Bicentennial Scholars Fund.
- Anonymous pledge payment of \$250,000 to the College of Arts & Sciences for the Dean's Fund for the Democracy Initiative.
- Anonymous gift of \$250,000 to the School of Medicine for support of Thomas P. Loughran and his research in large granular lymphocyte leukemia.

Significant Pledges Received Since the Last Meeting:

- Anonymous pledge of \$5,000,000 to Athletics for the Master Plan for Virginia Athletics, as well as a \$1,000,000 pledge payment towards this pledge.
- Anonymous pledge of \$4,900,000 to the School of Law for the Education Rights Institute.
- Feng Gao and Yanqing Zhu pledge of \$2,000,000 to the University for the Gao Family Global Studies Bicentennial Professorship Fund.
- Gaillee M. Fitzpatrick and Neil Fitzpatrick pledge of \$1,800,000 to the University for the Contemplative Sciences Center, as well as a pledge payment of \$450,000 towards this pledge.
- Andrew C. Hee and Rachel E. Hee pledge of \$1,000,000 to the McIntire School of Commerce for the Next Century Building Fund.
- Horace W. Goldsmith Foundation pledge of \$1,000,000 to the School of Law for the Roadmap Scholars Initiative, as well as a pledge payment of \$500,000 towards this pledge.
- Westray T. Battle III pledge of \$500,000 to the Jefferson Scholars Foundation for the Battle Family Walentas Scholarship.
- Robert T. Bond pledge of \$500,000 to the Miller Center for the Robert T. Bond Unrestricted Fund for the Miller Center.
- James A. Conroy and Roberta W. Conroy pledge of \$500,000 to the College of Arts & Sciences for The College Fund.
- James M. Gott and Eva L. Gott pledge of \$500,000 to the University of Virginia College at Wise for the Eva and Jim Gott Bicentennial Scholars Fund.

- Tien-tsin Huang and Anh-Van Nguyen pledge of \$500,000 to the Jefferson Scholars Foundation for the Ching-hsien & Laura Huang Family Jefferson Scholarship, as well as pledge payment of \$268,700 towards this pledge.
- Bryan A. Hancock and Maryanne Q. Hancock pledges totaling \$500,000 to Athletics for the Hancock Family Bicentennial Scholars Fund; and to the University for the Hancock Family Cavalier Fund.
- Farrell Family Foundation pledge of \$450,000 directed by Peter F. Farrell to the School of Medicine for the Farrell Family Fund.
- Carolyn M. Callahan pledges totaling \$350,000 to the University for the Michael S. Caldwell Bicentennial Scholarship and the Carolyn M. Callahan Cavalier Fund.
- Edmund N. Durden and Laura H. Durden pledge of \$250,000 to Athletics for the Cavalier Academic Achievement Fund.