



THE RECTOR AND VISITORS OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

February 25, 2025

The Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met as the full Board in open and closed session at 1:22 p.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 2025. Robert D. Hardie, Rector, presided.

Present in the meeting room were: U. Bertram Ellis Jr., Marvin W. Gilliam Jr., The Honorable Paul C. Harris, Stephen P. Long, M.D., Paul B. Manning, David O. Okonkwo, M.D., The Honorable L.F. Payne, Amanda L. Pillion, Rachel W. Sheridan, David F. Webb, Douglas D. Wetmore, and Porter N. Wilkinson.

Participating by Zoom: Daniel M. Brody from Turks & Caicos. Mr. Brody received prior approval from the Rector to participate remotely.

Members absent: Robert M. Blue, Carlos M. Brown, and John L. Nau III.

Also present were James E. Ryan, Susan G. Harris (open session), Clifton Iler, and Debra D. Rinker (open session). Mr. Rob Bell, Deputy Attorney General, also participated by Zoom from Richmond.

Presenters were: Emmet T. Flood, Katherine M. Turner, and Joseph S. Sandoval-Bushur.

The meeting was held in the Board Room at One Boar's Head Pointe, Charlottesville, Virginia. The change of venue, which was publicly noticed as soon as the decision was made to move the meeting, was necessary because of a security threat on central Grounds that prevented members, staff, and members of the public from accessing the area.

Rector Hardie called the meeting to order, and asked Dr. Okonkwo to read the motion to go into closed session.

Closed Session

At 1:24 p.m., Dr. Okonkwo read the closed session motion reprinted below, and after approving the motion, the Visitors met in closed session. Mr. James Ryan and Mr. Clifton Iler were present for the closed session.

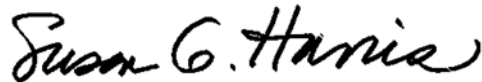
“Mr. Rector, I move that the Board of Visitors go into Closed Session to consult with legal counsel and get legal advice regarding the investigation into matters alleged by the School of Medicine faculty in their letter of September 5, 2024. Such consultation may also require discussion of the performance of certain personnel and discussion of proprietary business related and competitively sensitive information pertaining to the operations of the Medical Center. The relevant exemptions are Code of Virginia § 2.2-3711 A(1), (8), and (22).”

At 6:18 p.m., the Board resumed in open session, and, on motion by Dr. Okonkwo, which was duly seconded, certified that the deliberations in closed session had been conducted in accordance with the exemptions permitted by the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Ms. Harris called the roll, and all members present voted in the affirmative: Mr. Hardie, Mr. Brody, Mr. Gilliam, Mr. Harris, Dr. Long, Mr. Manning, Dr. Okonkwo, Mr. Payne, Ms. Pillion, Ms. Sheridan, Mr. Webb, Mr. Wetmore, and Ms. Wilkinson. The certification motion was as follows:

“I move that we vote on and record our certification that, to the best of each member’s knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements, and which were identified in the motion authorizing the Closed Session, were heard, discussed or considered in Closed Session.”

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan G. Harris
Secretary

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<http://bov.virginia.edu/public-minutes>