

April 2, 2007

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Buildings and Grounds Committee:

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FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Corrections to the Minutes of the Meeting of the
Buildings and Grounds Committee, held on March 13,
2007

The Minutes of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds
Committee held on Tuesday, March 13, 2007, should be corrected as
follows:

On page 3, third line down under Project Budget Increase, the
phrase "in the 2003-10 Six Year Capital Outlay Plan," should read
"in the 2004-10 Six Year Capital Outlay Plan."

On page 6 the last line of the account of Mr. Neuman's report
reads, "He focused in particular on environmental concerns."
This should be changed to read, "He focused in particular on
environmental concerns and traffic management."

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FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Meeting of the Buildings and Grounds
Committee on March 13, 2007

The Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 12:55 p.m., Tuesday, March 13, 2007, in the Lower East Oval Room of the Rotunda; Lewis F. Payne, Chair, presided. W. Heywood Fralin, Daniel R. Abramson, Ms. Susan Y. Dorsey, Don R. Pippin, Gordon F. Rainey, Jr., Ms. Anne Elizabeth Mullen, and Thomas F. Farrell, II, Rector, were present.

Alan A. Diamonstein participated by telephone.

Ms. Georgia Willis Fauber, A. Macdonald Caputo, Ms. Glynn D. Key, and John O. Wynne were present as well.

Carey J. Mignerey, the Student Member-elect, participated as an observer.

Also present were John T. Casteen, III, Leonard W. Sandridge, Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Ms. Colette Sheehy, William B. Harvey, James L. Hilton, R. Edward Howell, Ms. Patricia M. Lampkin, Ms. Yoke San L. Reynolds, Robert D. Sweeney, David J. Prior, David J. Neuman, and Ms. Jeanne Flippo Bailes.

The Chair opened the meeting and gave a brief overview of the items to be considered in the meeting. He then asked Ms. Sheehy, Vice President for Management and Budget, to present the Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA: EASEMENT, CRISPELL DRIVE

The first item on the Agenda, Ms. Sheehy said, was a Consent matter - the granting of an easement to the City of Charlottesville for public access to the Crispell Drive extension. She explained that the expansion of the South Garage in the Medical Center area required the partial closing of 15th Street, but with the understanding that Crispell Drive would be extended to Monroe Lane. The Charlottesville City Council agreed to the closing of 15th Street and the extension of Crispell Drive if the University would either dedicate the new road extension to the City or provide the City with a public access easement. The University has chosen the latter option.

On motion, the Committee approved the following resolution and recommended it to the full Board for approval:

APPROVAL OF A PERMANENT EASEMENT ON CRISPELL DRIVE (CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE)

RESOLVED, the Board approves the granting of a permanent easement to the City of Charlottesville for public access to the Crispell Drive extension, on property owned by The Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia; and

RESOLVED FURTHER that appropriate officers of the University are authorized to execute said easement.

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ACTION ITEMS:

ADDITION TO THE SIX YEAR CAPITAL OUTLAY PLAN (2008-14): IMPROVEMENTS TO THE BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL FACILITIES

Ms. Sheehy said that since the last meeting of the Committee, at which the 2008-14 Six Year Capital Outlay Plan was approved, another project has been proposed for inclusion in the Plan.

The new project, set at \$6,200,000, would improve the baseball and softball facilities on the North Grounds. Some 1,000 seats would be added on the right field line at the baseball stadium and the space underneath the stadium would be built out to add a visiting team locker room, an officials' locker room, office space, and a weight training area.

At the softball field at the Park, improvements would include dugout modifications, bullpens, field lighting, grandstand improvements, site infrastructure, a team building, toilets/concessions, and an improved and more inviting pathway to the facility.

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Feasibility studies for both projects will be undertaken this spring; full planning and design and subsequent construction, however, is contingent on successful fundraising.

On motion, the Committee approved the following amendment and recommended it to the Finance Committee and to the full Board for approval:

APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE 2008-14 SIX YEAR CAPITAL OUTLAY PLAN:
IMPROVEMENTS TO THE BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL FACILITIES

RESOLVED that Improvements to Baseball and Softball Facilities is approved as an amendment to the 2008-14 Six-Year Capital Outlay Plan for the Academic Division in the 2008-10 biennium.

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PROJECT BUDGET INCREASE

Ms. Sheehy reminded the Committee that the Board of Visitors in 2003 first approved the projected Claude C. Moore Medical Education Building as a \$20.7million item in the 2003-10 Six Year Capital Outlay Plan. In the fall of 2005, the Board approved a new project budget of \$30million; this reflected a bigger building than originally planned, a new site, revised programming and escalation in costs.

It is proposed that the budget be increased by \$5million to \$35million, to reflect the escalation in construction costs. The entire project is to be paid for with gifts from the School of Medicine.

The proposed increase must be reviewed by the Finance Committee and approved before it is sent to the full Board for approval.

The projected increase, Ms. Sheehy explained, is being presented to the two Committees and to the full Board because of a Board policy,

adopted in 2004, which requires that all capital project budget increases in excess of 10% be approved by the Board.

The Committee approved, by resolution, the proposed budget increase and recommended it to the Finance Committee and to the full Board for approval.

APPROVAL OF PROJECT BUDGET INCREASE IN EXCESS OF 10 PERCENT: THE CLAUDE C. MOORE MEDICAL EDUCATION BUILDING

RESOLVED that the budget for the Claude C. Moore Medical Education Building is increased by \$5 million, from \$30 million to \$35 million.

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FREDERIC W. SCOTT MEMORIAL

Ms. Sheehy reported that Mr. Frederic W. Scott, Jr., of North Garden, an alumnus of the University, has proposed a memorial to his grandfather, Frederic W. Scott of Richmond. The elder Mr. Scott (1862-1939) was Rector of the University from 1930 to 1939 and gave the original Scott Stadium. The memorial would be a gift from the younger Mr. Scott.

Mr. Scott has proposed that the memorial be placed on McCormick Road, across from Gilmer Hall and at the bus stop between Echols and Page Houses, which are first year dormitories. The memorial, Ms. Sheehy said, would consist of a bust and pedestal, some brick work, a bench, two drinking fountains and architectural elements from the first gates - now dismantled - at Scott Stadium.

The proposed resolution would authorize the memorial.

A second resolution would approve the design of the memorial.

Mr. Neuman, the Architect for the University, presented a proposed schematic design for the memorial. Once the Board has approved the design, the project will go to Richmond for review by the State Art and Architectural Review Board.

There was considerable discussion among Members about the serious possibility of vandalism to the memorial at the proposed site.

At the conclusion of the discussion, the Rector suggested that the matter - i.e., both resolutions - be tabled until further discussion can be had with the donor about the site of the memorial. The Chair said it is important that the donor understand that the Committee approves the idea of the memorial but has serious concerns about the proposed site. With that, he suggested that the Committee

vote to approve a motion to table action on the memorial until discussions have been had with the donor about the site.

The Committee voted to table action as the Chair suggested.

REPORT BY THE VICE PRESIDENT

The Chair asked Ms. Sheehy to give her customary report.

Ms. Sheehy reported on progress being made on the Committee's Goals and Work Plan, as agreed to at the Board Retreat in July. She referred Members to the written report previously distributed to them, drawing attention particularly to the completion of the historic structure report for the Rotunda which is being reviewed in draft. She mentioned as well the report, "Sustainability Assessment 2006," copies of which were then handed out to the Committee.

The Chair passed around copies of a letter he had received from a member of the faculty of the School of Architecture, congratulating the Committee on its recent approval of a policy on LEED certification.

REPORTS BY THE ARCHITECT FOR THE UNIVERSITY

Mr. Neuman, the Architect for the University, referred to "Sustainability Assessment 2006" and said it was a group effort on the part of a number of University offices and staff.

He then gave a presentation on the alleys on either side of the Lawn. They are unattractive, he said, and at present are a safety hazard. After talking with a number of people, including authorities from Monticello, Poplar Forest and the Commonwealth, his office has devised a proposed design. He said Poe Alley, behind West Lawn and between Pavilions III and V, will be used as a prototype for the proposed design. Once it is done, comments from Members and others will be invited. The reworking of Poe Alley will include pavement, curbing and lamps. A portion of it will be done over the summer and thus will be available for the Committee's review at the September meeting.

There was considerable discussion of Mr. Neuman's proposal. The consensus was that the character of the Lawn alleys must be maintained, while at the same time safety improvements must be made.

The Chair suggested that the Committee review the proposed design once more before work on Poe Alley begins. This will be done at the next meeting of the Committee.

Mr. Neuman then gave a presentation on the railings above the Lawn colonnades. The present railings, a restoration from the mid-1970s, are not an accurate reconstruction of the original railings (which were removed in the 19th century and replaced with iron railings of a different design). Mr. Neuman proposed a restoration based on Jefferson's design and on the research that his office has carried out.

Mr. Neuman then reviewed work on the Grounds Plan, which is in progress. He focused in particular on environmental concerns.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

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These minutes have been posted to the University of Virginia's Board of Visitors website.

<http://www.virginia.edu/bov/buildingsgroundsminutes.html>