

April 11, 2008

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Buildings and Grounds Committee:

The Honorable Lewis F. Payne, Chair  
Daniel R. Abramson  
The Honorable Alan A. Diamonstein  
Susan Y. Dorsey  
Thomas F. Farrell, II  
G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh, Jr.  
Vincent J. Mastracco, Jr.  
Don R. Pippin  
Gordon F. Rainey, Jr.  
W. Heywood Fralin, Ex Officio  
Michael Turner, Consulting Member

And

The Remaining Members of the Board:

A. Macdonald Caputo	Warren M. Thompson
Glynn D. Key	E. Darracott Vaughan, Jr., M.D.
Austin Ligon	John O. Wynne
	Adom Getachew

FROM: Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr.

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Buildings and Grounds Committee on  
April 11, 2008

The Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in Open Session, at 2:40 p.m., Friday, April 11, 2008, in the Board Room of the Rotunda; The Honorable Lewis F. Payne, Chair, presided.

Present were Daniel R. Abramson, The Honorable Alan A. Diamonstein, Ms. Susan Y. Dorsey, Thomas F. Farrell, II, G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh, Jr., Vincent J. Mastracco, Jr., Don R. Pippin, Gordon F. Rainey, Jr., Carey J. Mignerey, and W. Heywood Fralin, Rector.

Also present were A. Macdonald Caputo, Ms. Glynn D. Key, Austin Ligon, and John O. Wynne.

Ms. Adom Getachew, the Student Member-elect, and Michael A. Turner, Consulting Member and representative of the Council of Foundations, were present too.

Present as well were Leonard W. Sandridge, Alexander G. Gilliam, Jr., Paul J. Forch, Arthur Garson, Jr., M.D., Ms. Susan A. Carkeek, R. Edward Howell, Ms. Patricia M. Lampkin, Ms. Colette Sheehy, David J. Neuman, and Ms. Jeanne Flipflo Bailes.

The Chair opened the meeting and asked Ms. Sheehy, Vice President for Management and Budget, to present the Agenda. The first item was a Consent Item.

CONSENT AGENDA: Approval of Engineer Selection,  
Science/Engineering Chiller Plant Expansion

Ms. Sheehy reminded the Committee that at the meeting in February, the Board approved a project to replace the chillers in Olsson Hall and to expand the cooling capacity of the McCormick Road central chilled water system. Affiliated Engineers, Inc. of Chapel Hill is recommended as the firm for the contract.

On motion, the Committee adopted the following resolution. Action by the full Board is not required, but the resolution will be entered on the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Visitors as a matter of record.

APPROVAL OF ENGINEER SELECTION FOR SCIENCE/ENGINEERING CHILLER  
PLANT EXPANSION:

RESOLVED, Affiliated Engineering, Inc., of Chapel Hill, N.C., is approved for the performance of engineering services for the Science/Engineering Chiller Plant Expansion at the University of Virginia.

ACTION AGENDA: Demolished Building Recognition Program

Ms. Sheehy told the Committee that there is great interest, particularly on the part of the President, in identifying University buildings which have been demolished. Some of these, such as the Rotunda Annex, were destroyed by fire. Others were demolished for one reason or another. Some exist in a kind of shadowy collective memory, while others have been forgotten altogether. Still others probably never existed except in University mythology.

For purposes of historical record, it is worth identifying these disappeared buildings, where they stood and what they were used for.

It is proposed that a study of these buildings be undertaken and that their locations be marked in some way by plaques. It is not a project of the greatest urgency and it probably will take several years to complete. The Buildings and Grounds Committee and the Board must approve all historical and commemorative plaques placed on the Grounds, and rather than bring each building/plaque to the Committee and the Board separately, it seems sensible to ask for a blanket authorization from the Board for the project and the plaques.

In order that the buildings and plaques be noted in the Minutes of the Board, and thus become part of official record, as buildings are identified and plaques devised, reports will be made to the Board and entered on the Minutes.

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

APPROVAL OF DEMOLISHED BUILDING RECOGNITION PROGRAM

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors encourages a proposed project to investigate the history, use and location of University buildings which are no longer standing, and to mark their sites. The Board approves the placing of historical plaques or markers, to be devised by the Administration, waives its approval of each marker, and directs the Secretary to report periodically on these markers and to enter their locations and other data in the Minutes of the Board as a matter of historical record.

ACTION ITEM: Concept and Design Guidelines - Garrett Hall Renovation

Garrett Hall, which was designed by McKim, Mead and White, the architects for Cabell Hall, Rouss Hall, Cocke Hall, Carr's Hill, and the Rotunda restoration after the 1895 fire, was built as the University's principal dining hall, The Commons. After it was supplanted by the cafeterias in Newcomb Hall in the late 1950s, it was converted for use as administrative offices. It is now proposed that the building be the centerpiece of the Frank Batten School of Leadership and Public Policy.

The building is to be renovated and the renovation will include improvements of systems, the correction of longstanding structural issues, the restoration of the old main dining room and the renovation of the underground Annex.

Mr. Neuman, the Architect for the University, reviewed the design guidelines for the Committee.

On motion, the Committee approved the following resolution. Action by the full Board of Visitors is not required, but the resolution will be entered on the Minutes of the next Board meeting as a matter of record.

APPROVAL OF CONCEPT AND DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR THE GARRETT HALL RENOVATION

RESOLVED, the concept and design guidelines, dated April 11, 2008, and prepared by the Architect for the University, for the Garrett Hall Renovation are approved; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, the project will be presented for further review at the schematic design level of development.

REPORT BY THE VICE PRESIDENT

Referring Members to a report attached to the published materials distributed previously to them, Ms. Sheehy reviewed the status of major capital projects at the University. The Chair complimented her and staff involved on the excellent record of completion and completion on schedule.

Ms. Sheehy then reported on the Deferred Maintenance Initiative, noting that about one hundred deferred maintenance projects are in progress: she described some of them, and she and Mr. Sandridge commented on the University's efforts in the context of the state's deferred maintenance program.

REPORT BY THE ARCHITECT FOR THE UNIVERSITY

Noting that the Committee has taken the leading role at the University in directing sustainability efforts, the Chair asked Mr. Neuman to report on sustainability initiatives.

Mr. Neuman gave his report, citing a number of examples.

Mr. Sandridge commented on joint University-City-County efforts at sustainability.

The Chair referred Members to several written reports in their Agenda books.

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On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

AGG:jb

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