



THE RECTOR AND VISITORS OF THE  
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

September 11, 2020

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO: The Buildings and Grounds Committee:**

Robert D. Hardie, Chair  
Whittington W. Clement, Vice Chair  
Robert M. Blue  
Mark T. Bowles  
Elizabeth M. Cranwell  
Thomas A. DePasquale

Barbara J. Fried  
Louis S. Haddad  
C. Evans Poston Jr.  
James V. Reyes  
James B. Murray Jr., Ex-officio  
Mazzen S. Shalaby, Student Member

**and**

**The Remaining Members of the Board:**

L.D. Britt, M.D.  
Frank M. Conner III  
John A. Griffin  
Maurice A. Jones

Babur B. Lateef, M.D.  
Angela Hucles Mangano  
Ellen M. Bassett, Faculty Member

**FROM:** Susan G. Harris

**SUBJECT:** Minutes of the Meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee on September 11, 2020

The Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia met, in open session, at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, September 11, 2020, in the Pavilion Ballroom at the Boar's Head Resort. Robert D. Hardie, Chair, presided.

Committee Members Present: James B. Murray Jr., Whittington W. Clement, Elizabeth M. Cranwell, Thomas A. DePasquale, Barbara J. Fried, Louis S. Haddad (via Zoom), C. Evans Poston Jr., James V. Reyes, and Mazzen S. Shalaby

Committee Members Absent: Robert M. Blue and Mark T. Bowles

Frank M. Conner III, John A. Griffin (via Zoom), Maurice A. Jones, Babur B. Lateef, M.D., Angela H. Mangano (via Zoom), and Ellen M. Bassett were also present.

Present as well were James E. Ryan, Jennifer Wagner Davis, K. Craig Kent, M.D., M. Elizabeth Magill, Jennifer Feist, Margaret S. Grundy, Susan G. Harris, Timothy J. Heaphy, Donna P. Henry, Michael J. Citro, Megan K. Lowe, Mark M. Luellen, David W. Martel (via Zoom), Clark "Chip" L. Murray, and Debra D. Rinker.

Presenters: Alice J. Raucher and Colette Sheehy

Mr. Hardie opened the meeting and reminded everyone why project reviews and building design reviews are so important to the University: the decisions made today carry out for many years to come. He then turned the meeting over to Colette Sheehy, Senior Vice President for Operations, and Alice Raucher, Architect for the University.

Ms. Sheehy referred the committee to the written reports in the back of the meeting book. She said they are taking a different approach to current projects, pausing at each phase of the project to reassess and to make sure that it is appropriate to move forward. She then introduced Ms. Raucher who reviewed schematic designs for three projects.

### **Schematic Design Review: School of Data Science**

Ms. Raucher reminded the Board they had approved construction of the School of Data Science in June 2019. It will be the first academic building constructed as part of the Ivy Corridor Master Plan. It is a 60,000 square foot building to be located in the southeast corner of the Ivy Corridor precinct. Hopkins Architects developed the schematic design. She said the University has been working diligently with the city on the Emmet “smart scale” improvements which will improve the pedestrian experience along Emmet Street. They have taken very seriously the President’s Emmet Ivy Task Force Report, keeping in mind the tenants of the building. All the public spaces are located along the major pedestrian arteries in order to enliven the public spaces.

### **Schematic Design Review: UVA Hotel and Conference Center**

Ms. Raucher reviewed the schematic designs for the UVA Hotel and Conference Center. A hotel with a state-of-the-art conference center geared towards University events and gatherings will be one of the key anchoring places along the Ivy Corridor. The 223,000 GSF UVA Hotel and Conference Center will be sited along the southwest corner of the existing Emmet/Ivy parking garage and will define the northern edge of the Ivy Corridor. This hotel and conference center will be open to the public, but its proximity to planned academic and arts programs amplifies the potential impact of the hotel. The 215-room hotel with more than 28,000 SF of conference center space will provide UVA central and convenient accommodations for visiting scholars and lecturers, prospective faculty, and students, returning alumni, and career recruiters, among many others. The design team, led by Deborah Berke Partners & Hanbury, in collaboration with the Architect for the University and representatives of the University of Virginia Foundation and Facilities Management, developed the schematic designs that Ms. Raucher shared with the Board. Disability access was discussed: Ms. Raucher said they are working with the Access Committee.

### **Schematic Design Review: Smith Hall Renovation**

The planned redevelopment of the Inn at Darden consists of two distinct construction phases: (1) partial demolition of the existing Sponsors Hall, and (2) construction of the new Inn at Darden. The project was created based on the recommendations of a program study to enhance and repurpose Smith Hall to serve as a new Alumni and Lifelong Learning Center for the Darden community. The design team is led by Glavé & Holmes Architects in collaboration with the Architect for the University and representatives of the Darden School of Business and Facilities Management.

Ms. Sheehy said they envision starting construction on the Inn at Darden after the first of the calendar year and it will take approximately 30 months.

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The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:24 a.m.

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<http://bov.virginia.edu/committees/182>