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TO: Provost's Council

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SUBJ: Provost's Council Agenda for Tuesday, January 27, 2009

The Provost's Council will meet on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 from 8:30-10:00 a.m. in the Board Room in Koch Hall. The following agenda items will be discussed.

1. Approval of the December 9 and December 19 minutes (see attachments, p. 1-6)
2. Capital Projects  
Bob Fenning and Dale Feltes (Alonzo Brandon and Jennifer Mullen will join us to hear the discussion)
3. Football Game Day Planning  
Bob Fenning and Doug Higgons
4. Learning Commons Presentation  
Morel Fry and Paula Jamison
5. Revised Scenarios for Distance Learning Workload Policy  
Nancy Cooley

Item for discussion on February 10:  
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PROVOST'S COUNCIL  
January 27, 2009  
Minutes

The Provost's Council met on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 from 8:30-10:30 a.m. in the Board Room in Koch Hall. Those present were Carol Simpson (Chair), Nancy Bagranoff, Andrew Balas, Oktay Baysal, Alonzo Brandon, Nancy Cooley, Chandra de Silva, Dale Feltes, Bob Fenning, Morel Fry, Bill Graves, Doug Higgon, Paula Jamison, Phil Langlais, Ginny O'Herron, Chris Platsoucas, and Marty Sharpe. The following agenda items were discussed.

1. The December 9 and December 19 minutes were approved.
2. Capital Projects

Bob Fenning presented a status report on the following capital projects at Old Dominion University.

- Consolidated Arts Complex, which includes construction of a new Visual Arts Building in the University Village, renovation of the existing Visual Arts Building, and selective renovation of the Art Studio Building
- Diehn Fine and Performing Arts Phase II
- Dragas Hall renovation
- Foreman Field Football Complex
- Hofheimer Arts Library relocation
- Physical Sciences Building II
- Quad Student Housing
- Recreation Center
- Roseann Runte Quad
- Systems Research and Academic Building
- Student Success Center
- Women's crew facility
- 43<sup>rd</sup> Street improvements
- University Village Projects, which include Innovation Research Park #2, the Village Recreation Center, and The District at ODU (student housing)

Council members asked about the possibility of funding from the Obama stimulus plan and noted the need to educate the community about the University's operational needs. Mr. Fenning stated that the University is tracking funding that may become available from the stimulus plan. He also noted that fiscal principles on the capital side are different from those on the operational side. The deans were asked to contact Mr. Fenning and Mr. Feltes if the colleges would like a presentation on capital projects. Mr. Fenning announced that the new parking management system has been delayed for a year.

### 3. Football Game Day Planning

Bob Fenning and Doug Higgons provided information on the plans to date for events and logistics on football game days. Mr. Higgons, General Manager of the Ted Constant Convocation Center, is providing the oversight of all activities on football game days. They showed Council members the plans for locating the various events, including traffic, parking and tailgating. Mr. Fenning asked the deans to coordinate any college events that would take place on game days with Mr. Higgons.

Alonzo Brandon noted that the Office of Alumni Relations is taking the lead on events for alumni on game days; they will set up their activities on Kaufman Mall. Mr. Brandon anticipates that the games will be sold out. He and Mark Benson will be invited to a future Provost's Council meeting once they have a better idea of the number of tickets sold and the participation by alumni. Carol Simpson asked the deans to inform Mr. Brandon about any college events involving alumni.

Mr. Fenning informed the group about two traditions the University will start on game days. Two hours before each game, the football team and the marching band will walk from Whitehurst Hall to Foreman Field. The marching band will reform 50 minutes before game time and perform on Kaufman Mall. Judy Bowman announced that a class for the marching band will be held at Foreman Field three days per week in the fall semester. The tentative time is MWF from 8:00-9:50 a.m.

### 4. Learning Commons Presentation

Morel Fry and Paula Jamison presented information on the Learning Commons that will be created in the Perry Library in conjunction with the Student Success Center. The Learning Commons will bring together Library, IT and other services in a flexible, inviting space for students. It will facilitate student learning through exploration, collaboration, and discussion and will provide access to campus services, resources, and expertise to help students succeed and excel. The Learning Commons and Student Success center are targeted to open in 2011. Ms. Fry and Ms. Jamison would like faculty input on the Learning Commons project and are available to meet with the colleges.