

**OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY**

**Board of Visitors Executive Committee Meeting  
Friday, April 1, 2005**

**MINUTES**

The Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors met on Friday, April 1, 2005, at 11:30 a.m. in the Board Room of Webb University Center on the Norfolk campus. Present from the Executive Committee were:

James A. Hixon, Rector  
Conrad M. Hall  
Katherine A. Treherne  
Patricia M. Woolsey

Also present from the Board were:

Harold W. Gehman, Jr.  
Marc Jacobson  
Emily M. Richardson, Student Representative

Also present were:

Roseann Runte, President  
Judy Bowman  
Dana D. Burnett  
C. Tabor Cronk  
Stephen Daniel  
Robert L. Fenning  
William Graves  
Naaila Gray  
John Inwood  
Thomas L. Isenhour  
Mohammad Karim  
Brenda Lewis  
Jay Lidington  
Donna Meeks  
Deborah L. Swiecinski  
Charles Wilson

### **CALL TO ORDER AND MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION**

The Rector called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m. and recognized Ms. Woolsey, who made the following motion: “Mr. Rector, I move that this meeting be recessed, and, as permitted by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) & (10), we reconvene in closed session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, specifically, contractual arrangements with a faculty member in the College of Business and Public Administration, the granting of tenure to faculty members within the institution, and a potential candidate for an honorary degree.” The motion was seconded by Mr. Hall and approved unanimously by all committee members present and voting. *(Hall, Hixon, Woolsey; Treherne not present during vote)*

### **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND FOIA CERTIFICATION**

At the conclusion of the closed session, the meeting reconvened in open session, at which time the Rector called for the Freedom of Information Act certification of compliance that (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements under the Freedom of Information Act were discussed and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened were heard, discussed or considered. The certification of compliance vote was four in favor and none opposed. *(Hall, Hixon, Treherne, Woolsey)*

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Upon a motion made by Ms. Woolsey and seconded by Mr. Hall, the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of November 15, 2004 were approved unanimously by all committee members present and voting. *(Hall, Hixon, Treherne, Woolsey)*

Upon a motion made by Ms. Woolsey and seconded by Dr. Treherne, the minutes of the Board of Visitors meeting of December 10, 2004, were approved unanimously by all Board members present and voting. *(Gehman, Hall, Hixon, Jacobson, Treherne, Woolsey)*

### **APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO INTERVIEW AND SELECT THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD OF VISITORS**

The Rector indicated that the term of the current student representative to the Board will expire in May, and the need exists for a special committee to be elected to interview candidates for her successor. Upon a motion made by Ms. Woolsey and seconded by Mr. Hall, the following resolution was unanimously approved by all committee members present and voting. *(Hall, Hixon, Treherne, Woolsey):*

It is MOVED that the following persons be charged with interviewing the students seeking to be Board representative:

Conrad M. Hall  
James A. Hixon  
Marc Jacobson  
Moody E. Stallings, Jr.

Upon a subsequent motion made by Ms. Woolsey and seconded by Mr. Hall, the following resolution was unanimously approved by all committee members present and voting. (*Hall, Hixon, Treherne, Woolsey*)

It is MOVED that the student selected by the majority recommendation of this group be the representative to the Board of Visitors for the coming year and that a second student be selected as alternate.

### **ACTION ITEMS - ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

The President commented that it was necessary for the Committee to consider several action items requiring Board approval before the annual meeting in June, at which time the Board will be asked to ratify these actions. Provost Isenhour introduced each of the following resolutions, which were voted on separately.

### **TENURE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Upon a motion made by Ms. Woolsey and seconded by Mr. Hall, the following resolution was unanimously approved by all committee members present and voting. (*Hall, Hixon, Treherne, Woolsey*)

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Provost, the Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors approves the award of tenure and promotion to associate professor to the following members of the faculty at Old Dominion University. The tenure and promotion will be effective with the Fall, 2005 semester.

#### College of Arts and Letters

Kenneth R. Fitzgerald, Department of Art  
Dale E. Miller, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies

#### College of Business and Public Administration

Larry Filer, Department of Economics  
John M. Griffith, Department of Business Administration  
Shaomin Li, Department of Business Administration\*  
John C. Morris, Department of Public Administration and Urban Studies\*

#### College of Education

Peggy P. Hester, Department of Early Childhood, Speech Language Pathology  
and Special Education\*

Lynn H. Doyle, Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling

Michael T. Garrett, Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling\*

Dennis E. Gregory, Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling

William A. Owings, Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling\*

College of Engineering and Technology

Frederic D. McKenzie, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Carol L. Considine, Department of Engineering Technology

Guoqing Zhou, Department of Engineering Technology

College of Sciences

James P. Bliss, Department of Psychology\*

\* Already an Associate Professor

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**HONORARY DEGREE RECOMMENDATION**

Upon a motion made by Ms. Woolsey and seconded by Mr. Hall, the following resolution was unanimously approved by all committee members present and voting. (*Hall, Hixon, Treherne, Woolsey*)

RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors approves the awarding of an honorary degree to G. Robert Aston, Jr. A summary of Mr. Aston's career follows.

G. Robert Aston, Jr.

Doctor of Humane Letters (*honoris causa*)

**G. Robert Aston, Jr.**

Mr. Aston began his banking career with Citizens Trust Company while still in high school. During his banking career, he has served on the Board of Directors and as President and Chief Executive Officer of Citizens Trust Company, Commerce Bank, and BB&T of Virginia. He has also served on the Board of Directors of BB&T of North Carolina and Regional Acceptance Corporation. In 1998 he founded TowneBank, and he currently serves as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer.

Mr. Aston has served in numerous community leadership roles in Hampton roads, including chairing the WHRO Great TV Auction, Whitney Young Urban League Dinner, and the Hampton Roads Chamber Corporate Campaign. He is currently on the Board of Directors of the Portsmouth Partnership and the 2010 Empowerment Zone.

He received the Seaboard Lodge 56 Community Builders Award in 1993, the NAACP Leadership Award in 1997, and in 2000 was the recipient of the prestigious Torchbearer Award presented by Virginia Business magazine and the Virginia Chamber of Commerce recognizing the top Virginia Business leaders for the new millennium. He was also honored as the First Citizen of Portsmouth in the year 2000, received the NCCJ Humanitarian Award in 2002, and was honored as the Entrepreneur in Residence at Christopher Newport University in October, 2004.

### **Health Care**

Improving the quality of health in the community has been a focal point of Mr. Aston's community service since 1979. He served on the Bon Secours-Maryview Health Corporation Board of Directors and the previous Maryview Hospital Board from 1979-1998, including nine years as Chairman of the Board. He has also served as Chairman of the Depaul Medical Center Board of Directors. He was the recipient of the Sister Rita Thomas Award recognizing distinguished service to the Sisters of Bon Secours in 1997. In 1998, Bon Secours again recognized Mr. Aston with the naming of the Aston Pavilion, Maryview's state of the art family birthing center. He currently serves on the Board of Directors and is Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Bon Secours Health System, Inc., in Marriottsville, Maryland. He has also recently been appointed to the Eastern Virginia Medical School (EVMS) Foundation Board of Trustees.

### **Education**

For the past twenty years, Mr. Aston has provided leadership to the educational community in Hampton Roads and across Virginia. From 1980-1981, he served with distinction on the Board of Directors of Nansemond-Suffolk Academy, including five years as Chairman of the Board. In 1981, he was appointed by Governor John Dalton to the Board of Visitors of Norfolk State University. Governor Gerald Baliles appointed him to membership of the Virginia Public School Authority in 1988. Mr. Aston has served on the Board of Trustees of Virginia Wesleyan College; and since 1980, he has served on the Board of Trustees of Old Dominion University Intercollegiate Foundation.

### **Athletics**

Mr. Aston's passion for developing the skills and leadership abilities of young athletes has contributed significantly to the lives he has touched. Working with hundreds of young boys and girls over a twenty-year period, his basketball and softball teams won numerous league, city and state championships, as well as being nationally ranked for five consecutive years. He was the Western Branch High School Booster of the Year in 1981, and the City of Chesapeake Sports Volunteer of the Year in 1981. In 1989, he was the recipient of an Old Dominion University Citation for extraordinary contributions to the sports program at Old Dominion University. He was again honored in 1990 when he received the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame Award for exceptional contributions to sports in Virginia. As a Board member and President of the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame, he is currently serving as Chairman of the \$10 million Capital Campaign to build a new world class sports museum in downtown Portsmouth.

### **Philanthropy**

Throughout his career, Mr. Aston has placed a great deal of emphasis on supporting the community. Under his leadership, Citizens Trust Bank, Commerce Bank, BB&T and TowneBank have all been

leaders in corporate philanthropy in our community. Through the Commerce Foundation and now through the TowneBank Foundation, hundreds of local charities and non-profit organizations in Hampton Roads have benefitted from his support.

Mr. And Mrs. Aston have also been personally committed to giving back to our community as well. Some of the organizations that have been the beneficiaries of their support over the years are Maryview Hospital, the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame, Girls Inc., Nansemond-Suffolk Academy and the Western Branch Athletic Club.

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### **APPOINTMENT OF LOUIS I. JAFFE PROFESSORSHIP**

Upon a motion made by Ms. Woolsey and seconded by Mr. Hall, the following resolution was unanimously approved by all committee members present and voting. (*Hall, Hixon, Treherne, Woolsey*)

RESOLVED, the Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors approves the appointment of Jie Chen as a Louis I. Jaffe Professor. A summary of his career follows.

#### **Jie Chen**

Jie Chen is Professor of Political Science and the Director of Graduate Programs in International Studies in the College of Arts and Letters. Dr. Chen was recruited to Old Dominion University in 1997 and served as Director of the Institute of Asian Studies from 1997-2003. He received a B.A. in Journalism at the Institute of International Politics, Beijing, China in 1982, an M.A. in International Policy Studies at the Monterey Institute of International Studies in California in 1987, and a Ph.D. from Washington State University in 1991. He teaches courses in Comparative Politics, International Relations, Asian Studies, and Chinese Politics.

Dr. Chen's research has been focused on U.S.-China relations and Chinese Politics. In addition to numerous research papers presented at professional conferences, Dr. Chen has authored and co-authored three books and about 30 research articles on Chinese politics and public opinions since he obtained his Ph.D. His most recent book, *Popular Political Support in Urban China*, was published through Stanford University Press (2004). A recent review calls it "a groundbreaking book" in the quantitative study of Chinese Politics. He is also the author of *Ideology in US Foreign Policy: Case Studies in US-China Policy* (1992) and *China Since the Cultural Revolution: From Totalitarianism to Authoritarianism* (1995; co-author Peng Deng). Most of his articles were published in the leading refereed journals in Political Science and China Studies, such as the *Journal of Politics*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *Asian Survey*, *Social Science Quarterly*, *Political Research Quarterly*, and the *Journal of Contemporary China*. These publications are frequently cited as authoritative sources in Comparative Politics and Chinese Politics, and adopted as reading material in graduate-level courses at universities such as the University of California-Berkeley and the University of Virginia.

Dr. Chen has also been awarded several prestigious research fellowships. These include a Fulbright Research Fellowship in China and a Residential Research Fellowship at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. In addition, Dr. Chen has secured several grants, including a Title-VI grant for \$140,000 from the U.S. Department of Education to develop the Asian Studies program at Old Dominion.

Dr. Chen has also served on review boards of professional journals in his field, such as the *Journal of Chinese Political Studies* and *Modern China Studies*. He has been invited to speak to Congressional Staff on Chinese politics and to give keynote or guest speeches at institutions such as the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Rice University, University of Pittsburgh, George Washington University, National Defense University (China), National Taiwan University, and University of Hong Kong. Dr. Chen has been interviewed by national and local media on current events in China and East Asia.

As Director of Asian Studies, Dr. Chen played a major role in developing an Asian Studies undergraduate major. In 2000, he was awarded the *Provost's Award for Leadership in International Education*. He is currently reorganizing the Ph.D. program in International Studies in the College of Arts and Letters.

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### **EMERITUS APPOINTMENTS**

Upon a motion made by Ms. Woolsey and seconded by Dr. Treherne, the following resolution was unanimously approved by all committee members present and voting. (*Hall, Hixon, Treherne, Woolsey*)

RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors approves the granting of the title of emeritus to the following faculty members. A summary of each faculty member's accomplishments is attached to this resolution.

#### **Name and Rank**

#### **Effective Date**

Fred M. Granger  
Associate Professor of Information Technology  
and Decision Sciences

January 1, 2005

Paul Heine  
Associate Professor of Exercise Science, Sport,  
Physical Education and Recreation

June 24, 2005

#### **Name and Rank**

#### **Effective Date**

Linda Lane Lilley  
Associate Professor of Nursing

December 31, 2004

Anne Raymond-Savage  
Associate Professor of Educational Curriculum  
and Instruction

October 1, 2004

### **Fred M. Granger**

Dr. Fred M. Granger received a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute in 1960, a Master of Science in Business Management in 1967 from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and a Ph.D. in Business in 1973 from Louisiana State University.

Dr. Granger joined Old Dominion University as an Associate Professor in 1978 and was granted tenure as an Associate Professor of Management Information Systems in 1981. He was instrumental in the growth of the Department of Management Information Systems during the first years of its existence.

During this period he provided leadership to new faculty and was well known for his dedication to the well being of his students as they pursued the quest for knowledge. During his 27 years at Old Dominion University, Dr. Granger was actively engaged in research related to decision sciences and information systems, having authored several books and numerous journal articles. During this same period he was one of the few faculty members who taught and made significant academic contributions in both information systems and decision sciences.

Dr. Granger's considerable talent also extends outside the University where he has been actively engaged in helping business firms and non-profit organizations analyze and interpret quantitative data and implement information systems.

### **Paul L. Heine**

Dr. Paul L. Heine received a Bachelor of Science in Health and Physical Education and an M.Ed. in Physical Education, in 1964 and 1969 respectively, from West Chester State College in Pennsylvania and a Ph.D. in Educational Administration in 1972 from the University of New Mexico.

Dr. Heine joined Old Dominion University as an Assistant Professor of Health and Physical Education in 1972 and achieved the rank of Associate Professor in 1978. He served as Undergraduate Program Coordinator in 1972-1975, Department Chair in 1975-1985, Graduate Program Director in 1988-1994 and Associate Dean from 1994 to the present.

During his 33 years at Old Dominion University, Dr. Heine inspired many former and current students in the Department of Exercise Science, Sport, Physical Education, and Recreation to become successful health and physical education teachers. Dr. Heine is known as an inspirational teacher and an effective administrator. Students, faculty members and administrators know Dr. Heine for his good nature, humor, wit, and knowledge of College and University policies.

### **Linda Lane Lilly**

Dr. Linda L. Lilley received a diploma in nursing from Norfolk General Hospital School of Nursing in 1977, a BS in Nursing from the University of Virginia in 1979, a MS in Nursing from Old Dominion University in 1984 and, a Ph.D. in Nursing from George Mason University in 1997.

Dr. Lilley joined Old Dominion University as an Instructor of Nursing in 1985 and achieved the rank of Assistant Professor of Nursing in 1987 and Associate Professor of Nursing in 1992. During her tenure she has had primary teaching responsibilities in the undergraduate programs focusing on pharmacology in nursing. Her clinical speciality is in the area of medical surgical nursing.

During her 20 years at Old Dominion University, Dr. Lilley inspired numerous students to become successful nurses. In recognition for her teaching excellence she received “Most Inspiring Faculty Award” 1998, 1999, and 2000 and was awarded the “University Professor” designation in 2000. Throughout her career, Dr. Lilley was best known for her textbook, “Pharmacology and the Nursing Process”, now in its 4<sup>th</sup> edition. The pharmacology textbook has been ranked in the Top 10 sellers in pharmacology since 1998.

### **Anne Raymond-Savage**

Dr. Anne Raymond-Savage received a B.S. in Secondary Education/Biology from the University of Rhode Island in 1959, an M.S. in Oceanography, also from the University of Rhode Island, in 1969, and a Ph.D. in Science Education from Oregon State University in 1971.

Dr. Raymond-Savage joined Old Dominion University as an Assistant Professor in 1971 and achieved the rank of Associate Professor in the College of Education in 1979. She assumed an administrative appointment in 1978 as Director of the Center for Instructional Development with subsequent responsibilities for Distance and Extended Education. She was appointed Vice Provost for Distance Education in 2002. Dr. Raymond-Savage is the recipient of the Outstanding Biology Teacher Award for New England, Teacher of the Year Award at Old Dominion University, Faculty Administrator of the Year Award at Old Dominion University, National University Telecommunications Association Leadership Award, and the National University Administration Award.

During her 33 years at Old Dominion University, Dr. Raymond-Savage was a significant contributor to the field of distance learning, as a writer, speaker, panelist, and mentor to others in the field. She launched the University’s Distance Learning Program (TELETECHNET), which is the largest satellite delivery network in the nation. Dr. Raymond-Savage has also been a mentor to many doctoral and master’s students in science education and in distance learning.

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**APPROVAL OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN ENGLISH**  
**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS**

Professor Charles Wilson, Chair of the English Department, provided a brief explanation of the proposed degree. Upon a motion made by Ms. Woolsey and seconded by Dr. Treherne, the following resolution was unanimously approved by all committee members present and voting. (*Hall, Hixon, Treherne, Woolsey*)

RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors approves the Doctor of Philosophy degree in English in the College of Arts and Letters.

Rationale: The proposed Ph.D. degree program in English will explore the full range of written English through such modes of inquiry as rhetoric, composition, linguistics, literature, and journalism, and through such media as print, speech, and hypertext. The program is designed to integrate writing, rhetoric, discourse, and textual studies, thus offering opportunities for creative reinterpretation of these fields within the discipline of English, and it will make use of the full range of teaching media, from traditional classroom, to mediated, televised, and asynchronous forms of delivery, to reach the widest possible audience, including those whose work and domestic situations prevent them from full-time, on-campus studies. The degree program will produce scholars who can advance the body of knowledge in English and who can oversee the application of these advances in professional settings.

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**APPROVAL OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN EDUCATION**  
**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**

William Graves, Dean of the Darden College of Education, provided a brief explanation of the proposed degree. Upon a motion made by Ms. Woolsey and seconded by Dr. Treherne, the following resolution was unanimously approved by all committee members present and voting. (*Hall, Hixon, Treherne, Woolsey*)

RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors approves the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Education in the College of Education.

Rationale: The proposed Ph.D. degree program in Education is a spin-off of the current Ph.D. program in Urban Services. The current program has been in existence for more than 20 years and has become outdated. It will be replaced by the new program if approved.

The mission of the proposed program in Education is to prepare students for leadership positions in public and private education institutions, not-for-profit and for-profit education agencies, and academia. The restructured, broader-based Ph.D. program will advance knowledge across a specific subset of education concentrations, including educational leadership, instructional design and technology, and special education, and will result in a more desirable and marketable degree for our students.

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**APPROVAL OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH**  
**COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES**

Brenda Lewis, Assistant Dean of Graduate Studies, provided a brief explanation of the proposed degree. Upon a motion made by Ms. Woolsey and seconded by Dr. Treherne, the following resolution was unanimously approved by all committee members present and voting. (*Hall, Hixon, Treherne, Woolsey*)

RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors approves the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Health Services Research in the College of Health Sciences.

Rationale: The proposed Ph.D. degree program in Health Services Research is a spin-off of the current Ph.D. program in Urban Services. The current program has been in existence for more than 20 years and has become outdated. It will be replaced by the new program if approved.

The mission of the proposed program in Health Services Research is to produce researchers and scholars who are sensitive to the dignity and worth of individuals of all ages, socioeconomic and cultural groups and who will use critical reasoning and advanced research skills to develop and evaluate health care strategies and policies for the region, the state, the nation and the world at large. The new program will emphasize health services research and will result in a more desirable and marketable degree for our students.

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**TUITION AND FEE PRESENTATION AND RESOLUTION**

Vice President Fenning presented the proposed tuition and comprehensive fees for 2005-2006. He discussed the guiding principles that were used in determining the proposed tuition and fees, and reviewed the components of the comprehensive fees and the proposed changes for each of these components. If adopted, the comprehensive tuition and fee increase for a full-time, in-state undergraduate student would be 6.6%, and for an out-of-state undergraduate would be 4.8%. A full-time, in-state graduate student would see a 7.0% increase and an out-of-state graduate student, a 4.8% increase.

The administration has also proposed an 3% increase in Room & Board rates. There are no increases proposed for the Technology, General Service and Capital Fees.

Mr. Fenning explained that this revenue will be used to cover course offerings and enrollment growth; attract and retain well-qualified faculty and undergraduate and graduate students; address requirements for benefit adjustments and salary increases; purchase library materials and research collections, fund unavoidable cost increases, and invest in institutional priorities and strategic research initiatives.

While some of the doctoral institutions have yet to set their tuition and fees for next year, Old Dominion's proposed tuition and fee increase for in-state undergraduates students is the lowest among those institutions who have approved their increases. George Mason's approved increase is 6.9%, Norfolk State's is 8.7% and Virginia Tech's is 9.2%.

Following a brief discussion, A motion was made by Mr. Hall to approve the following resolution on the 2005-2006 tuition and comprehensive fees. The motion was seconded by Ms. Woolsey and was unanimously approved by all committee members present and voting. (*Hall, Hixon, Treherne, Woolsey*)

### **COMPREHENSIVE FEE RESOLUTION 2005-2006**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the President, the Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors approves the following comprehensive tuition cost per credit hour for the 2005-2006 academic year beginning with the Summer 2005 semester and thereafter until otherwise adjusted by the Board of Visitors. Under unusual circumstances, the President may establish tuition rates different from these approved rates. The President must notify the Board of such changes at its next meeting.

**Comprehensive Fee Per Credit Hour for the 2005-2006 Academic Year**

	<b>IN-STATE</b>		<b>OUT-OF-STATE</b>	
	<b><u>TUITION AND FEES</u></b>		<b><u>TUITION AND FEES</u></b>	
	<b><u>FROM</u></b>	<b><u>TO</u></b>	<b><u>FROM</u></b>	<b><u>TO</u></b>
<b><u>REGULAR SESSION (1)</u></b>				
Undergraduate (Per Cr Hr)	\$170	\$181	\$484	\$507
Graduate (Per Cr Hr)	\$246	\$263	\$631	\$661
Teaching Assistant	\$246	\$263	\$246	\$263
Research Assistant	\$246	\$263	\$246	\$263
<b><u>SUMMER SESSION (1) (Summer 2005)</u></b>				
Undergraduate (Per Cr Hr)	\$170	\$181	\$484	\$507
Graduate (Per Cr Hr)	\$246	\$263	\$631	\$661
Teaching Assistant	\$246	\$263	\$246	\$263
Research Assistant	\$246	\$263	\$246	\$263
<b><u>HIGHER EDUCATION CENTERS (Including Northern VA Higher Ed Center) &amp; Off-</u></b>				
<b><u>Offerings Within Hampton Roads:</u></b>				
Undergraduate (Per Cr Hr)	\$170	\$181	\$484	\$507
Graduate (Per Cr Hr)	\$246	\$263	\$631	\$661
<b><u>TELETECHNET &amp; OFF-CAMPUS COURSES (Outside Hampton Roads):</u></b>				
Undergraduate (Per Cr Hr)	\$165	\$177	\$372	\$400
Graduate (Per Cr Hr)	\$246	\$263	\$631	\$661
<b><u>TELETECHNET USA (Outside Virginia):</u></b>				
Undergraduate (Per Cr Hr)	\$184	\$205	\$184	\$205
Graduate (Per Cr Hr)	\$284	\$305	\$284	\$305

(1) A graduate teaching or research assistant who has completed a master's degree or its equivalent and is admitted as a matriculated student into a doctoral program and enrolls for and completes a minimum of 6 hours of graduate credit per semester or 3 hours in the summer may be granted a waiver of full tuition and fees.

**NOTE:** The comprehensive fee includes a student activity fee of \$63.53 per credit hour for Norfolk campus courses, \$36.77 per credit hour for Higher Education Centers, TELETECHNET and off-campus courses; and a per credit hour technology fee ranging from \$1.34 to \$3.76 per credit hour.

## **RESTRUCTURING PRESENTATION**

President Runte stated that the restructuring legislation, as approved by the General Assembly and as modified most recently by the Governor, has very serious implications for the universities and requires that the Boards of Visitors approve a resolution, no later than August 1, 2005, committing the institutions to achieving at least “level 1 autonomy” as defined in the legislation. A lot of work remains to be done before this resolution is presented to the Board at its annual meeting in June. In the meantime, Vice President Fenning and his colleagues have reviewed the legislation in detail and she has asked him to present the highlights to the Committee.

Vice President Fenning described how the Restructured Higher Education Financial and Administrative Operations Act evolved from the original “Charter Universities” legislation and was intended to grant greater authority to institutions in exchange for greater responsibility. The legislation requires the establishment of six-year academic, enrollment and financial plans, grants oversight and monitoring to SCHEV, and allows for three levels of autonomy. The first level will be granted to institutions based on approval by August 1 of a resolution by their respective Boards. The second level requires Memoranda of Understanding between an institution and the State and grants additional authority in specific areas where an institution can demonstrate sufficient management capabilities. Level 3 autonomy is attained through a Management Agreement with the State whereby the Board of Visitors has the opportunity to establish policies governing a number of functional areas. This autonomy is granted by the Governor and through the Appropriations Act, and may be terminated by the Governor due to performance.

The resolution that each Board must approve by August 1 would state that the institution will provide access, ensure affordability, offer a broad range of quality programs, ensure students’ progress, develop uniform articulation with community colleges, actively contribute to economic development, work actively with K-12 education programs, prepare 6-year plans (by October 1, 2005), operate efficiently, and meet performance standards.

Vice President Fenning reviewed in detail the additional authority, by level, for various functional areas, including capital outlay and leases, human resources, procurement and information technology, and financial management. He explained how the Governor’s recent amendments would modify the original legislation, if approved by the House and Senate. Most notably, the authority for developing financial and administrative performance measures would remain with the Governor and would not be delegated to SCHEV. The amendments also include the establishment of a Commission on Higher Education Board Appointments.

Mr. Fenning concluded by explaining what steps the administration will take to prepare for this initiative if approved by the House and Senate. There followed a brief discussion on the merits of the legislation.

## **PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

President Runte distributed a letter she received from an alumnus regarding the Strategic Plan, and the letter that was sent in response. She then distributed a document outlining issues to consider related to the possibility of starting a football team. Arguments in favor of football include increased

alumni support (both financially and in terms of returning to campus for games), creating a more residential feel to the campus, and using football as an integrating activity for a diverse student body. Arguments against football include cost, fickle fans, and the perception that football players represent the antithesis of a good scholar. Football may be possible if it was determined to be affordable through increased student fees, enrollment and private support; if the players would be held to the same academic standards as the other students, and if having football would not impact academics. Other issues to consider include whether students would accept additional student fees and whether funds would be better spent on improving the men's and women's basketball programs.

The President indicated that the administration is seeking additional time in which to study these issues, and suggested that a professional consultant be hired to assist in the preparation of a complete financial analysis to present to the Board at their meeting in June. The Committee concurred that additional time to study fully the finances would be beneficial.

The President reviewed activities since the last meeting. She reported on the progress of fund-raising efforts, noting that the University's endowment is valued at \$136 million, up from \$122 million as of last February. She distributed a letter that was sent to the Governor in support of additional funding for VMASC, and noted that the Governor is expected to make an announcement about this on April 11 at the opening of the new Lockheed Martin building in Suffolk.

President Runte congratulated the men's and women's basketball teams for winning their conference championships and advancing to the NCAA tournament, and the Forensics team for winning its national championship. She also commended the students for raising over \$7,800 in support of the tsunami relief effort.

In the area of academics, she indicated that the proposal for the Ph.D. in English has gone forward, and highlighted plans for the higher education centers, the upcoming Research Exposition, the University College, and commented the success of the NewPage course. She distributed information about the VORTEX initiative related to the Lambda Rail project.

The administration has completed the five-year enrollment projections and a first draft of the budget, pending approval of tuition and fees. The proposed budget will be presented to the Board for approval in June.

### **OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Rector asked if there was any old or unfinished business to come before the Committee. There was none.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The Rector asked if there was any new business to come before the Committee. There was none.

With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.