The Student Advancement Committee of the Board of Visitors of Old Dominion University met on Thursday, September 18, 2014 at 11:30 a.m. in the York/Potomac River Rooms of Webb University Center on the Norfolk campus. Present from the committee were:

J. William Cofer, Chair
Carlton Bennett
Alton Harris
Andrea M. Kilmer
Ronald Ripley
Lisa Smith
Robert Tata
Linda Miller-Dunleavy (Faculty Representative)
Rodin Ndandula (Student Representative)

Absent was: John Biagas

Also present were:

John Broderick  Elizabeth Kersey
Jane Dane’  Ellen Neufeldt
Traci Daniels  September Sanderlin
Giovanna Genard  Wood Selig
David Harnage  Rusty Waterfield
Rhonda Harris  James Wright
Scott Harrison  Johnny Young

William Cofer called the session to order at 11:30 a.m.

I. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 24, 2014 MINUTES

The minutes of the April 24, 2014 meeting were approved.

II. REPORT OF VICE PRESIDENT OF STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND ENROLLMENT SERVICES

Dr. Ellen Neufeldt, Vice President for Student Engagement and Enrollment Services, presented an update on fall student enrollment, student well-being, campus life and career outcomes.
Dr. Neufeldt reported on preliminary fall enrollment data. Student populations are diverse and include freshman, transfer and graduate students; military-affiliated students; international students; adult and traditional-aged students; and students attending on campus, online and at regional centers.

Dr. Neufeldt provided an update on educational prevention and awareness program for students and employees, which include the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE), requiring annual disclosure of statistics on domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking incidents in addition to requirements to inform victims of their rights and what is required to ensure effective, transparent and equitable disciplinary procedures. The video, 1 is 2 Many, dealing with making good choices, was shown and briefly discussed.

Regarding career outcomes, results of a 2013 alumni survey showed that of those who responded, 92% were employed or attending graduate/professional school after graduation; 92% would choose to attend ODU again; 91% would recommend ODU to a friend; 97% are proud to be ODU alumni.

III. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Rodin Ndandula reported on the Monarch Citizenship campaign and highlighted students’ achievements and events within the three pillars of responsibility, engagement, and pride. Students appreciate the LiveSafe app, which promotes a safer campus community. Students recently engaged in a discussion hosted by Senator Mark Warner regarding his Student Loan Repayment Act. “Spirit Fridays” are supported by students, faculty and staff by wearing the school colors, blue and silver. For this academic year, the student representative to the Board will work closely with the Student Government Association, highlight the importance of student success, and connect students with faculty and staff so they will have a signature monarch experience.

IV. SECURITY UPDATE

Chief Harris presented an overview of the safety and security enhancements put in place this summer and reviewed the jurisdiction of the University Police Department, Clery Act reporting responsibilities, and the Clery crime statistics for 2013 and 2014 to date. Giovanna Genard, Acting Assistant Vice President for Marketing & Communications, provided information on strategies to highlight safety enhancements and combat misperceptions.

V. ATHLETIC UPDATE BY WOOD SELIG, ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Dr. Wood Selig, Athletic Director, provided Academic Progress Reports on our student athletes. The NCAA developed the Academic Progress Report to track a university’s commitment to enhancing the student-athlete’s potential of earning their undergraduate degree and provides a “real time” snapshot of a team’s eligibility and retention success.
The NCAA has set a minimum APR standard for each athletic program and is calculated by averaging a sport program’s eligibility and retention points for the last 4 years. Each sport must maintain or exceed the minimum APR standard of 930. All our men’s and women’s programs met or exceeded APR standards for post-season eligibility.

During the 2012-13 academic year, 3 of the men’s teams had perfect 1,000 APR: basketball, golf, and tennis. Five of the women’s teams had perfect 1,000 APR during 2012-13: golf, lacrosse, rowing, soccer, and tennis. In addition, 144 student-athletes (30%) earned Dean’s List Honors during fall 2013 semester, 16 earned a 4.0 semester GPA, and 277 earned a 3.0 or higher semester GPA. During spring 2014 semester, 111 student-athletes earned Dean’s List Honors, 15 earned a 4.0 semester GPA, and 213 earned a 3.0 or higher semester GPA.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.