OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF VISITORS
Emergency Meeting
Monday, March 23, 2020

MINUTES

An emergency meeting of the Board of Visitors of Old Dominion University was held on Monday, March 23, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of discussing with University leadership specific plans regarding the University’s response to COVID-19. The meeting was held electronically using the Zoom application in accordance with Va. Code Section 44-147.17. Present from the Board were:

Lisa B. Smith, Rector
Yvonne Allmond
Carlton F. Bennett
R. Bruce Bradley
Robert Broermann
Robert S. Corn
Unwanna Dabney
Jerri F. Dickesesi
Alton J. Harris
Larry Hill
Kay A. Kemper
Pamela C. Kirk
Ross Mugler
Maurice Slaughter
Armistead Williams

Absent from the Board:
Peter Decker, III
Toykea S. Jones

Also present were:
John R. Broderick, President
Greg DuBois
Rhonda Harris
Donna Meeks
R. Earl Nance

CALL TO ORDER AND MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

The Rector called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. and recognized Ms. Kirk, who read the following motion: “Madam Rector, I move that this meeting be convened in closed session, as permitted by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(19) for the purpose of discussion of reports or plans related to the security of any governmental facility, building or structure, or the safety of persons using such facility, building or structure.” The motion was seconded by Ms. Kemper and approved by roll-call vote (Aye: Kemper Kirk; Nay: None).
RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND FOIA CERTIFICATION

At the conclusion of Closed Session the Rector reconvened the meeting and the following Freedom of Information Act Certification was read: “Any person who believes that the Board discussed items which were not specifically exempted by law or not included in the motion, must now state where they believe there was a departure from the law or a departure in the discussion of matters other than that stated in the motion convening the closed session. I shall now take a vote of the Board. All those who agree that only lawfully exempted matters and specifically only the business matter stated in the motion convening the closed session were discussed in closed session say “aye.” All those who disagree say “nay.” The certification was approved by roll-call vote (Aye: Allmond, Bradley, Broermann, Corn, Dabney, Dicksesi, Harris, Hill, Kemper, Kirk, Mugler, Slaughter, Williams; Nay: None).

Rector Smith welcomed Dr. Armistead Williams to the Board. She said that discussions are taking place on how the April 23rd Board meeting will be held, if at all. The Board Retreat, which had been scheduled for April 22nd, has been canceled. She said that it may be necessary to have other meetings, as necessary, to receive updates on the current situation.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.