OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF VISITORS
Special Meeting
Wednesday, February 3, 2021

M I N U T E S

A special meeting of the Board of Visitors of Old Dominion University was held on Wednesday, February 3, 2021. The meeting was called by the Rector for the purpose of announcing the board’s intention to conduct interviews with finalists for the position of president of the University at an undisclosed location within 15 days. The meeting was held electronically via the Zoom application pursuant § 4-0.01(g) of Chapter 1289 of the 2020 Acts of Assembly.

Present from the Board: Kay A. Kemper, Rector
Yvonne T. Allmond
R. Bruce Bradley
Robert A. Broermann
Robert S. Corn
Unwanna B. Dabney
Peter G. Decker, III
Alton J. Harris
Larry R. Hill
Toykea S. Jones
Ross A. Mugler
Murry Pitts
Maurice D. Slaughter
Lisa B. Smith
Armistead D. Williams, Jr.

Absent from the Board: Carlton F. Bennett
Jerri F. Dickseski

Also present: Austin Agho
Giovanna Genard
Casey Kohler
Deb Love
Donna Meeks
Earl Nance
Tom Odom
September Sanderlin
Don Stansberry

CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS

The Rector called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. and announced that, in accordance with Section 2.23712.B of the Code of Virginia, the Board of Visitors will hold a closed meeting at an
undisclosed location within the next 15 days solely for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the position of President of the University.

**MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION**

The Rector recognized Ms. Jones, who read the following motion: “Madam Rector, I move that this meeting be convened in closed session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711.A.1 of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of discussing prospective candidates for employment, specifically, the President of the University, and Section 2.2-3711.A.8 for the purpose of consultation with legal counsel regarding the above. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hill and approved by roll-call vote (Ayes: Allmond, Bradley, Broermann, Corn, Dabney, Decker, Harris, Hill, Jones, Kemper, Mugler, Pitts, Slaughter, Smith, Williams; Nays: None).

In addition to the Board members in attendance, Deb Love and Donna Meeks were present during closed session.

**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 (Ayes: Allmond, Bradley, Broermann, Corn, Dabney, Decker, Harris, Hill, Jones, Kemper, Mugler, Pitts, Slaughter, Smith, Williams; Nays: None).

**MOTION REGARDING PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH**

The Rector recognized Ms. Smith, who made the following motion, “I move that the Board of Visitors authorize Bruce Bradley and Lisa Smith to negotiate a term sheet with each of the finalists to be president of the University, and upon designation by the Board of the president-designee, authorize the Rector to finalize and execute a contract – all such authority to confirm to the guidance provided during closed session.” The motion was seconded by Mr. Mugler and approved by roll-call vote (Ayes: Allmond, Bradley, Broermann, Corn, Dabney, Decker, Harris, Hill, Jones, Kemper, Mugler, Pitts, Slaughter, Smith, Williams; Nays: None).

With no further business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned at 2:38 p.m.