

OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY  
PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE MEETING  
January 14-15, 2021

MINUTES

The Presidential Search Committee of Old Dominion University met on January 14 and 15, 2021. The meeting was held electronically using the Zoom application pursuant to § 4-0.01(g) of Chapter 1289 of the 2020 Acts of Assembly. Present from the Committee were:

R. Bruce Bradley, Chair  
Yvonne Allmond  
Linda Caulkins  
Robert Corn  
Jerri Dickseski  
Conrad Hall  
Toykea S. Jones  
Kay Kemper  
Rita Meraz  
Ross A. Mugler  
September Sanderlin  
Lisa B. Smith  
John Sokolowski

Also present:

Veena Abraham  
Shelley Arakwara  
Dennis Barden  
Deb Love  
Robin Mamlet  
Donna Meeks

The Chair called the meeting to order on January 14, 2021 at 7:39 a.m. and reviewed the process that will be followed during the two-day meeting when semi-finalists will be interviewed by the Committee.

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

The Chair recognized Ms. Jones, who made the following motion, “Mr. Chair, 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. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dickseski and approved by roll-call vote (*Ayes: Allmond, Bradley, Corn, Dickseski, Jones, Kemper, Mugler, Smith; Nays: None*).

In addition to the Board and Committee members in attendance, Dennis Barden, Robin Mamlet, Veena Abraham, Shelley Arakawa, Deb Love and Donna Meeks were present during closed session.

The meeting recessed at 5:50 p.m. on January 14 and reconvened at 7:45 a.m. on January 15, 2021.

**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, Caulkins, Corn, Dickeski, Hall, Jones, Kemper, Meraz, Mugler, Sanderlin, Smith, Sokolowski; Nays: None*).

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.