



**RADFORD UNIVERSITY BOARD OF VISITORS
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING
BOARD ROOM
MARTIN HALL – THIRD FLOOR
RADFORD, VIRGINIA
9:00 A.M.
SEPTEMBER 18, 2014**

APPROVED

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Randolph “Randy” J. Marcus, Chair
Ms. Ruby W. Rogers, Vice Chair
Ms. Mary Waugh Campbell
Dr. Kevin R. Dye
Dr. Javaid Siddiqi
Mr. Michael A. Wray, Rector
Dr. Jerry M. Kopf, faculty representative (non-voting, advisory member)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Matthew B. Crisp

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Callie M. Dalton
Dr. Andrew B. Fogarty
Ms. Georgia Anne Snyder-Falkinham
Mr. Christopher Wade
Mr. Colby Bender, student representative (non-voting, advisory member)

OTHERS PRESENT

President Penelope W. Kyle
Mr. Richard Alvarez, Vice President for Finance & Administration and Chief Financial Officer
Mr. Joe Carpenter, Vice President for University Relations & Chief Communications Officer
Mr. Danny M. Kemp, Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer
Dr. Sam Minner, Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Mark Shanley, Vice President for Student Affairs
Other University faculty and staff

Mr. Ronald Forehand, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Commonwealth of Virginia
Mr. Mike Melis, Assistant Attorney General, Commonwealth of Virginia

Dr. James Burke, Performance Management Group
Ms. Linda Pierce, Performance Management Group

Ms. Michele N. Schumacher, Secretary for the Board of Visitors

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Randolph “Randy” J. Marcus, Chair, formally called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. in the President’s Conference Room in Martin Hall.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Marcus asked for a motion to approve the September 18, 2014 meeting agenda, as published. Ms. Mary Waugh Campbell so moved and Ms. Ruby W. Rogers, vice chair, seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Marcus asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2014 meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee, as published, and the minutes of the August 27, 2014 joint committee meeting with the Business Affairs & Audit Committee as published. Ms. Mary W. Campbell so moved and Dr. Javaid Siddiqi seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE FACULTY SENATE

Dr. Jerry M. Kopf, Faculty Senate President, informed the Committee of the faculty’s perspective on the impact that the budget reductions required by the Commonwealth of Virginia may have on Radford University, faculty salaries, and faculty moral, noting that the University will need to (i) find new revenue sources as the traditional revenue sources will not continue to work, (ii) re-vitalize the Office of Advancement, and (3) to rethink current budget priorities. A copy of Dr. Kopf’s presentation is attached hereto as *Attachment A* and is made a part hereof.

REPORT FROM THE PROVOST

Dr. Sam Minner, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, provided the Committee with a report that included a review of the significant accomplishments in the Academic Affairs Division. He also advised the Committee that Dr. Judy Niehaus of the faculty was awarded Emeriti status. The Committee also discussed whether there was a need to expand the nursing program and reviewed the factors that would need to be considered which included accreditation requirements, clinical placements, and faculty to student ratio in clinical settings.

Dr. Minner also updated the Committee on the implementation of the recommendations that were made by the Academic Affairs Division at the August 27, 2014 joint committee meeting for new leadership and organizational structure for the Career Center.

A copy of Dr. Minner's Report and the Career Center update are attached hereto as *Attachment B and Attachment C* and are made a part hereof.

Mr. Marcus thanked Dr. Minner for his report and noted that he expected the next meeting to be focused on the "Blue Sky Commission" or as it is now called "The RU Futures Group".

ACTION ITEM

Approval of the Veteran Priority Registration Policy

Dr. Minner presented the Veteran Priority Registration Policy noting that the Policy has been revised to comply with Virginia Code. After discussion, Mr. Marcus asked for a motion to approve that the Veteran Priority Registration Policy go forward to the Board of Visitors for approval. Ms. Campbell so moved and Dr. Siddiqi seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. A copy of the Resolution regarding the Veteran Priority Registration Policy is attached hereto as *Attachment D* and is made a part hereof.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Committee, Mr. Marcus, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 10:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele N. Schumacher
Secretary to the Board of Visitors