OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY BOARD OF VISITORS 2024 Interim Executive Summary of Activities

Document Title

Annual Executive Summary of the Interim Activity and Work of the Board of Visitors of Old Dominion University, January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024.

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Old Dominion University

Enabling Authority

Code of Virginia, Chapter 13, Governing Boards of Public Institutions of Higher Education,

streamline administrative processes, and provide personalized support across the University;

Approved 92 Old Dominion University faculty appointments, 105 Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences at Old Dominion University faculty appointments, 115 administrative and faculty appointments, six appointments with tenure, 27 emeritus/emerita appointments, six dual employments, and granted tenure to 22 faculty members;

Approved one Batten endowed chair, one Beazley named professor, one Colgate Darden endowed professorship, one Francis L. Counselman professorship, one Slover endowed professor, and one EVMS Foundation Chair;

Approved appointments of the EVMS School of Medicine and EVMS School of Health Professions faculty and administrative and professional faculty; restricted medical faculty; residents; and librarians to Old Dominion University upon integration;

Reviewed and approved seven Board of Visitors policies;

Approved two new programs in the Darden College of Education and Professional Studies (Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) in Elementary Education and Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) in Secondary Education);

Approved Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical and Computer Engineering;

Approved Master of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering;

Approved closure of the Bachelor of Science in Education in Early Childhood Education, Pre-K through 3rd Grade;

Approved Doctor of Philosophy in Data Science;

Approved Doctor of Philosophy in Cybersecurity; and

Approved Closure of Master of Science in Parks, Recreation, and Tourism.

The Old Dominion University Board of Visitors continues to operate in a transparent manner, to the extent required by law, in all Board actions. All meetings were open to the public; notice was provided pursuant to <u>Virginia Code §2.2-3707</u>; agendas and minutes were published on the University's website and Virginia's Commonwealth Calendar; and full Board meetings were live-streamed on the Board's website. Any business that was conducted in closed session was done pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. University Counsel and Senior Assistant Attorney General was present for all meetings and closed sessions. With the exception of the special meeting held on December 19, which was an all-virtual meeting held pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3708.3.C, all meetings were held in person with two Board members participating via Zoom during the April quarterly meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3708.3.B and as reflected in the meeting minutes.

The <u>Bylaws of the Old Dominion University Board of Visitors</u> are posted on the Board's website and note the requirements of the Board in order to ensure the transparency of its actions. Section 3.06 of the Board Bylaws require that all meetings of the Board be conducted in accordance with <u>Board Policy 1107</u>, <u>Board of Visitors Meeting Scheduling and Procedures</u>, unless modified at the discretion of the Rector. Section 3.07 of the Board Bylaws specifies that Board members are subject to the provisions of the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act and must file reports as required (<u>Va. Code §2.2-3114</u>. B) and <u>Board Policy 1108</u>, <u>Board of Visitors Conflict of Interests Policy</u>. University Counsel will review filings in accordance with these provisions. Board members must disclose any conflicts to University Counsel and recuse themselves from any meeting discussions on related topics and abstain from voting.