

OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF VISITORS  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
Monday, January 31, 2022

MINUTES

The Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors of Old Dominion University at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, January 31, 2022, in the Board Room of the Kate and John R. Broderick Dining Commons on the Norfolk campus. Present from the Committee were:

R. Bruce Bradley, Rector  
Yvonne T. Allmond  
Robert S. Corn  
Unwanna B. Dabney (via Zoom)  
Jeri Dickseski (via Zoom)  
Toykea S. Jones  
Omotomilola Jegede (Student Representative)

Absent from the Committee: Larry R. Hill

Also in attendance from the Board:  
Kay Kemper (via Zoom)  
Murry Pitts  
Maurice Slaughter  
Lisa B. Smith

Board member, Armistead D. Williams, observed the meeting via Zoom.

Also present were:

Brian O. Hemphill, President  
Austin Agho  
Morris Foster  
Annie Gibson  
Todd Johnson  
Casey Kohler

Donna Meeks  
September Sanderlin  
Ashley Schumaker  
Don Stansberry  
Allen Wilson

A quorum of the Executive Committee was physically present.

The Rector congratulated President Hemphill and Vice President Morris Foster on the University's designation as an R1 Research University. He also recognized Vice President Don Stansberry on his election as president of the Southern Association of College Student Affairs.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Prior to asking for approval of the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held October 25, 2021, the Rector asked that the results of the focus groups sessions referenced in the President's report be shared with the Board members. Upon a motion by Jones and seconded by M Allmond, the minutes were approved by roll vote (Ayes: Allmond, Bradley, Corn, Dickseşki Jones; Nays: None)

### RECTOR'S REPORT

The Rector indicated that he had no report for the Committee.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Hemphill provided an update on the following:

R1 Research Classification As already mentioned by the Rector, achieving R1 research classification from the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education is a significant achievement for the institution. One of 137 institutions or just 5% in the nation. It is a testament to the work researchers, faculty and staff have been engaged in for a number of years. Both Vice President Morris Foster and Provost Austin Agho should be commended for their leadership in this area. He asked Vice President Foster to provide a summary of what this designation means for the University and what it will take to maintain it.

Vice President Morris enumerated the many transformational advantages of being an R1 institution, including attracting better faculty candidates and more graduate students, benefits for undergraduate students, new peer group of R1 institutions, joining UVA, Va. Tech, VCU and EMU as the fifth Virginia R1 institution, and raising the standards on which we are being compared. He shared the criteria on which the R1 Carnegie classification is based, which are research expenditures, number of research doctorate grants issued, and the number of faculty Ph.D. researchers, and the continuing efforts to increase investments in each of those areas. In response to a question from the Rector, he noted that there are ten different variables that fall within those three categories. There are no reputational categories and no absolute thresholds as it involves comparisons with other institutions. Whenever institutions have fallen back to R2 after having R1 status, it is usually due to the research doctorate category.

Vice President for University Communications & Chief Marketing Officer President Hemphill provided an update on the national search for the University's inaugural Vice President for

University Communications & Chief Marketing Office one of the recommendations of the Branding, Marketing & Communication Task Force. The search committee has been formed and held its first meeting earlier this month. The search firm Greenwood Asher is assisting with the search and has started its recruitment efforts. Following the recruitment phase, the first round of initial interviews are anticipated for mid-March, campus visits by finalists in mid-April, and the new vice president on board by July. A small work group from the broader Task Force has been formed to review some of the its

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, Corn, Dabney, Dickeski, Jones; Nays: None)

### RESOLUTION ON ACADEMIC HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER PARTNERSHIP

Upon a motion made by Ms. Dickeski and seconded by Ms. Jones, the following resolution was approved by the Executive Committee by roll call vote (Ayes: Allmond, Bradley, Corn, Dabney, Dickeski, Jones; Nays: None)

Now Therefore Be it Resolved the Executive Committee, on behalf of the Board of Visitors, hereby approves the University's exploration and work regarding the establishment of an academic health sciences center with Eastern Virginia Medical School through support from Sentara Healthcare and the Commonwealth of Virginia and in collaboration with Norfolk State University and Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters to address the health and health disparities facing our region and its people by strengthening health care workforce, world class research in both existing and new specialty areas, and state-of-the-art clinical care, as well as expanding the workforce pipeline for needed healthcare workers.

### OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no old or unfinished business to be before the Committee.

### NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to come before the Committee.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.