The Academic and Research Advancement Committee met on Thursday, September 19, 2019 from 9:45-11:00 a.m. in Committee Room A of the Kate and John R. Broderick Dining Commons on the Norfolk campus. Present from the Board were:

R. Bruce Bradley
Robert S. Corn
Unwanna B. Dabney
Jerri F. Dickeski
Alton J. Harris
Toykea S. Jones
Maurice D. Slaughter
Lisa Smith

Also present were:
John R. Broderick
Augustine O. Agho
Judy Bowman
Jane Dané
Traci Daniels
Morris Foster
Giovanna Genard
Kate Hawkins
Casey Kohler
Sebastian Kuhn
Harry Minium
Nina Preston
Eric Weisel
Robert Wojtowicz
Jay Wright

I. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 13, 2019 MINUTES

The minutes of the June 13, 2019 meeting were approved.

II. CLOSED SESSION
The Committee recessed and reconvened in closed session to discuss a recommendation for the appointment of faculty representatives to Board of Visitors committees and to present an update on a University program.

III. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND VOTE ON RESOLUTIONS

The Committee convened again in open session. A motion was made and seconded to approve the following faculty representatives to Board of Visitors committees for the 2019-20 academic year: Academic and Research Advancement, Sebastian Kuhn; Administration and Finance, Ingrid Whitaker; Student Advancement, Linda Miller-Dunleavy; and University Advancement, David Burdige. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Bradley, Corn, Dabney, Dickseski, Harris, Jones, Smith).

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Ms. Dickseski and seconded by Mr. Harris to approve the resolutions on 45 faculty appointments, 47 administrative appointments, two Batten chairs in the Batten College of Engineering and Technology, and five emeritus/emerita appointments. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Bradley, Corn, Dabney, Dickseski, Harris, Jones, Slaughter, Smith).

V. REGULAR AGENDA

A motion was made by Ms. Dabney and seconded by Mr. Corn to approve the recommendation to rename the Office of International Programs the Center for Global Engagement. The Center for Global Engagement more accurately reflects the mission and activities of the unit. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Bradley, Corn, Dabney, Dickseski, Harris, Jones, Slaughter, Smith).

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

Committee members received information on two requests for Leave of Absence without Compensation. In the report from the Vice President for Research, Eric Wiesel, Executive Director and Associate Vice President for Applied Research, presented an overview of activities at the Virginia Modeling, Analysis and Simulation Center. VMASC is an applied research center with a staff of over 50 faculty, scientists, support professionals and students who focus on programs leading to digital transformation and digital engineering solutions in the following areas:

- cybersecurity and critical infrastructure systems;
- digital shipbuilding;
- spaceflight and autonomy;
- digital health and health equity policy and decision-making;
- mission engineering and integration; and
- warfighter performance and readiness.