

**BOARD OF VISITORS
ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE
APRIL 26, 2013
MINUTES**

Present representing the Board of Visitors were:

Kenneth E. Ampy, Chair
Dee D. Gilmore, Vice Chair
Fred J. Whyte (ex-officio)
Barry M. Kornblau (ex officio)
Frank Batten, Jr.
Luke M. Hillier
Frank Reidy

Present at the invitation of the Committee were:

John R. Broderick
Carol Simpson
Mohammad Karim
Alonzo Brandon
Jane Dane
Wayne Jones
Jeanie Kline
Ellen Neufeldt
September Sanderlin
Jay Wright

I. APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 6, 2012 MINUTES

The minutes of the December 6, 2012 meeting were approved.

II. TENURE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Carol Simpson briefed the Committee on the University's policy and procedures on tenure and provided data related to faculty.

III. CLOSED SESSION

The Committee recessed and reconvened in closed session to discuss the award of one honorary degree, the appointment of two faculty members with tenure, and the award of tenure to 14 faculty members.

IV. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND VOTE ON RESOLUTIONS

The Committee convened again in open session. A motion was made by Mr. Reidy and seconded by Ms. Gilmore to approve the award of an honorary degree. The motion to award an honorary degree to Alma J. Powell, Chair of America's Promise Alliance, was approved by unanimous vote (Ampy, Batten, Gilmore, Hillier, Reidy, Whyte).

A motion was made by Mr. Hillier and seconded by Ms. Gilmore to approve the appointment of two faculty members with tenure. The motion to appoint these faculty members with tenure was approved by unanimous vote (Ampy, Batten, Gilmore, Hillier, Reidy, Whyte).

A motion was made by Mr. Hillier and seconded by Mr. Batten to approve the award of tenure to 14 faculty members. The motion to award tenure to these faculty members was approved by unanimous vote (Ampy, Batten, Gilmore, Hillier, Reidy, Whyte).

V. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Ms. Gilmore and seconded by Mr. Reidy to approve the resolutions on 29 faculty appointments, 31 administrative appointments, seven emeritus/emerita appointments and the appointment of the Louis I. Jaffe Professor. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Ampy, Batten, Gilmore, Hillier, Reidy, Whyte).

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

A motion was made by Ms. Gilmore and seconded by Mr. Reidy to approve the proposed revision to the Policy on Reappointment or Nonreappointment of Faculty. The revision removes language that is confusing and could be misinterpreted. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Ampy, Batten, Gilmore, Hillier, Reidy, Whyte).

A motion was made by Mr. Reidy and seconded by Ms. Gilmore to approve the proposed revisions to the Policy on Remunerative Outside Employment. Many of the revisions are editorial and consist of reorganizing the policy so it is clearer. Two substantive revisions are the removal of administrative and professional faculty from the policy and the addition of language to clarify that faculty members teaching part time or full time for another institution must obtain prior approval of the Provost. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Ampy, Batten, Gilmore, Hillier, Reidy, Whyte).

A motion was made by Ms. Gilmore and seconded by Mr. Reidy to approve the proposed new policy on Outside Employment for Administrative and Professional (AP) Faculty. The policy documents and formalizes the longstanding practice that has been followed for AP faculty seeking approval for outside employment. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Ampy, Batten, Gilmore, Hillier, Reidy, Whyte).

A motion was made by Mr. Batten and seconded by Ms. Gilmore to approved renaming the Office of Computing and Communications Services as Information Technology Services. The new name reflects the work of the organization and is consistent with those of similar entities within other higher education institutions in Virginia. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Ampy, Batten, Gilmore, Hillier, Reidy, Whyte).

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

Committee members received information on one request for leave of absence without compensation and the report on promotions in rank effective for 2013-14. In the report from the Provost, Carol Simpson provided updates on discussions regarding a College of Continuing Education and MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses).

In the report from the Vice President for Research, Mohammad Karim provided an update on notable research awards received within the past three months, and on various research compliance benchmarks.

- The University received its first AAALAC (Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care) approval in March 2013; it is now one of six Virginia universities that have this accreditation.
- The Department of Defense Human Subjects Research is approved for the University through March 2017.
- The number of research proposals that follow established protocol has grown significantly over recent years. These include proposals adhering to:
 - human subjects protocol at 260 (tripled since 2006)
 - animal subjects protocol at 60 (a six fold increase from 2006) and
 - biosafety research protocol at 13 (a six fold increase from 2010).
- Two U.S. patents have been issued to University researchers, bringing the total patent portfolio to 99.