

**OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF VISITORS
Academic and Research Advancement Committee Minutes
Thursday, December 7, 2017**

MINUTES

The Academic and Research Advancement Committee of the Board of Visitors of Old Dominion University met on Thursday, December 7, 2017 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. in Committee Room A of the Kate and John R. Broderick Dining Commons on the Norfolk campus. Present from the Board were:

Carlton F. Bennett
R. Bruce Bradley
Jerri F. Dickseski
Alton J. Harris
Michael J. Henry
Toykea S. Jones
Lisa B. Smith

Absent were:

Frank Reidy
Maurice D. Slaughter

Also present were:

John R. Broderick
Augustine O. Agho
Judy Bowman
Jonathan Cawley
Jim Duffy
Morris Foster
Dan Hennelly
Casey Kohler
Ivan Militar
Ellen Neufeldt
Brian Payne
Jay Wright
Hongyi Wu
Johnny Young

I. APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2017 MINUTES

The minutes of the September 21, 2017 meeting were approved.

II. CLOSED SESSION

The Committee recessed and reconvened in closed session to discuss two mid-year tenure recommendations, the appointment of a faculty member with tenure, and a nomination for an honorary degree.

III. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND VOTE ON RESOLUTIONS

The Committee convened again in open session. A motion was made by Ms. Dickseski and seconded by Mr. Bradley to award tenure to Lynn Wiles in the School of Nursing and Andrey Chernikov in the Department of Computer Science. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Bradley, Dickseski, Harris, Henry, Jones).

A motion was made by Ms. Dickseski and seconded by Mr. Bradley to appoint Georg Menz as professor of political science and geography with tenure. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Bradley, Dickseski, Harris, Henry, Jones).

A motion was made by Ms. Dickseski and seconded by Mr. Bradley to award an honorary degree to Dr. Karl Schoenbach, Eminent Scholar Emeritus and Professor Emeritus of Electrical and Computer Engineering. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Bradley, Dickseski, Harris, Henry, Jones).

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley and seconded by Mr. Harris to approve the resolutions on five faculty appointments, 15 administrative appointments, three emeritus appointments, and the appointment of the Louis I. Jaffe Professor in Arts and Letters. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Bennett, Bradley, Dickseski, Harris, Henry, Jones).

IV. REGULAR AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley and seconded by Mr. Harris to approve the proposal for a Master of Science degree in cybersecurity. The program is designed to educate students to develop solid solutions to secure the cyber space of individuals and organizations in various sectors of industry, military and government. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Bennett, Bradley, Dickseski, Harris, Henry, Jones, Smith).

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley and seconded by Mr. Harris to approve the resolution to rename the Center for Economic Analysis and Policy the Dragas Center for Economic Analysis and Policy in consideration of the creation of an endowment from the George and Grace Dragas

Family Foundation in support of the Center. The motion was approved by unanimous vote (Bennett, Bradley, Dickeski, Harris, Henry, Jones, Smith).

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

Committee members received information on a request for leave of absence without compensation. In the report from the Provost, Austin Agho presented information on program additions and discontinuations since 2011 as well as program discontinuations and reallocations at the Virginia Beach Higher Education Center. He also presented information on a comparison of faculty salaries in selected disciplines to a group of universities in neighboring states. In most cases, salaries of ODU faculty are lower than the average salary at the comparison institutions.

In the report from the Vice President for Research, Morris Foster presented information on two research projects at the University that have been funded through Go Virginia – cyber data and digital shipbuilding. Other opportunities for funding from Go Virginia and the Virginia Research Investment Fund are water technology and port logistics.