

**OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF VISITORS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Monday, November 16, 2020**

MINUTES

The Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors of Old Dominion University met at 12:00 Noon on Monday, November 16, 2020. The meeting was held electronically via the Zoom application pursuant § 4-0.01(g) of Chapter 1289 of the 2020 Acts of Assembly. Present from the Committee were:

Kay A. Kemper, Rector
Yvonne T. Allmond
R. Bruce Bradley
Robert S. Corn
Jerri F. Dickeski
Toykea S. Jones
Lisa B. Smith

Absent from the Committee: Unwanna B. Dabney
Larry R. Hill

Also in attendance from the Board: Murry Pitts
Armistead Williams

Also present were:

John Broderick, President	Casey Kohler
Austin Agho	Christina LiPuma
Jared Augenstein	Donna Meeks
Alonzo Brandon	R. Earl Nance
Greg DuBois	Tom Odom
Thomas Enders	September Sanderlin
Giovanna Genard	Don Stansberry
Velvet Grant	Reda Valentin
Morris Foster	Jay Wright
Darrell Kirch	

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Rector called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. and asked for approval of the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on October 19, 2020. Upon a motion made by Ms. Smith and seconded by Mr. Corn, the minutes were approved by roll-call vote (*Aye: Bradley, Corn, Dickeski, Jones, Kemper, Pitts, Smith, Williams; Nay: None*).

RECTOR'S REPORT

The Rector called on Mr. Bradley for the update on the Presidential Search. Mr. Bradley reported that the Committee met with the consultants on November 4 and were told that they are very pleased with the quality of the individuals who have applied so far. The consultants as well as the applicants see Old Dominion University as an institution on the rise due to President Broderick's leadership. Ariana Wright of the Office of Institutional Diversity Equity provided the required training as committee members begin to review applications. Applications are due by November 30 and the Committee will meet on December 21 to choose 8-10 semi-finalists for Zoom interviews on January 14 and 15. The Committee will then choose the three finalists for on-campus interviews with the Board of Visitors.

The Rector reported that she and Dr. Williams met with Vice President Sanderlin and Dr. Veleka Gatling, Director of Diversity Initiatives, to discuss the Intercultural Development Inventory. Each member of the President's Cabinet and she and Dr. William plan to do so as well. They will share the results of their inventory once completed. She welcomed others, if interested, to contact Dr. Gatling.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In his report to the Committee, President Broderick provided an update on the budget. He noted that initiatives totaling \$17M were put on hold due to COVID, including \$11M for positions, \$5M or operations, and the remaining million in travel and other initiatives. With the increased revenue from summer and fall enrollment, funds can now be reallocated to fill the faculty positions (\$3.5M) and an additional \$2M to fund adjunct faculty positions. Funds to support administrative positions will be evaluated as well as some operational support and travel. The vice presidents will determine which faculty and administrative positions are essential for use of these funds. He remains cautious on allocating the \$10M received back from the State given the uncertainties about the virus and the related PPE and testing costs for the spring semester and possibly into the summer. Vice President DuBois added that the lack of the typical campus experience may impact spring enrollment.

In response to a question from Mr. Bradley, it was noted that the current percentage of online enrollment is 85% and will be 100% for the last two weeks of the semester. Dr. Williams asked how the first-year students are doing. Vice President Stansberry noted that staff are monitoring those living in the residence halls. Many are involved in a living-learning community, but most are struggling with the lack of connections with others outside of class. Several activities are planned this week to connect students and to keep them connected over the holiday break.

The President also provided a COVID update. Testing continues on a weekly basis and the University community is doing well compared with the city, region, and Commonwealth. Testing will be offered to anyone who would like before they leave campus, and those students who will need to return to campus after the Thanksgiving break will also be tested. Under the leadership of Morris Foster and Bonnie Van Lunen, the University has the equipment to get test results within 24 hours. From an administrative perspective, the University exceeded expectations this fall. Vice President DuBois added that the extended break will begin next week with plans to start the spring semester on January 19. However, if conditions warrant, the semester can begin virtually and the

return to campus can be delayed. When students return, entrance and surveillance testing will resume. In response to a question from Ms. Jones, President Broderick stated that the University invested in its own equipment in order to obtain test results within 24 hours. The College of Health Sciences took the lead in administering the tests and monitoring the results. A free flu shot is also being offered to all students.

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

The Rector called on Ms. Jones, who made the following motion, “Madam Rector, I move that this meeting be convened in closed session, as permitted by Virginia Code Sections 2.2-3711(A) (6) and (29) for the purpose of discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected, and discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including interviews of bidders or offerors, and discussion of the terms or scope of such contract, where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.” The motion was seconded by Mr. Bradley approved by roll-call vote (*Aye: Allmond, Bradley, Corn, Dickeski, Jones, Kemper, Pitts, Smith, Williams; Nay: None*).

In addition to the Board members in attendance, President Broderick, Greg DuBois, Austin Agho, Donna Meeks, Earl Nance, Morris Foster, September Sanderlin, Don Stansberry, Jared Augenstein, Thomas Enders and Darrell Kirch were present during closed session.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND FOIA CERTIFICATION

At the conclusion of closed session, the Rector reconvened the meeting and the following Freedom of Information Act Certification was read: “Any person who believes that the Board discussed items which were not specifically exempted by law or not included in the motion, must now state where they believe there was a departure from the law or a departure in the discussion of matters other than that stated in the motion convening the closed session. I shall now take a vote of the 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 (*Aye: Allmond, Bradley, Corn, Kemper, Pitts, Smith; Nay: None*).

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.