

OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF VISITORS  
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
Wednesday, June 9, 2021

MINUTES

The Governance Committee of the Board of Visitors of Old Dominion University met at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 9, 2021. 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:

Jerri F. Dickseski, Chair  
Yvonne T. Allmond, Vice Chair  
Kay A. Kemper, Rector (*ex-officio*)  
Robert S. Corn  
Peter G. Decker, III  
Lisa B. Smith

Absent from the Committee: R. Bruce Bradley (*ex-officio*)

Also present: Alonzo Brandon  
Donna Meeks  
Tom Odom  
Amanda Skaggs  
Cecelia Tucker  
Jay Wright

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:054 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Ms. Allmond and seconded by Mr. Decker, the minutes of the Governance Committee meetings held on May 18, 2021 and June 4, 2021 were approved by roll-call vote (*Ayes: Allmond, Corn, Decker, Dickseski, Kemper; Nays: None*).

DISCUSSION ON DEVELOPMENT OF A PROCESS FOR REVIEWING PROPOSED NAMES

Following the Provost's briefing on June 4, the Chair noted that the next step is to form a subcommittee of the Governance Committee to develop policy, procedures, methodology, proposed bylaws language, and recommended members of an external task force from a variety of ODU stakeholders, including representation from the Board. She has asked Bob Corn to represent the Governance Committee and Unwanna Dabney to serve on the subcommittee, along with the

Provost and Jay Wright. The subcommittee will make recommendations to the Governance Committee for consideration, and any proposed action will be taken to the full Board for approval.

### **REVIEW OF PROPOSED BYLAWS REVISIONS**

The Committee continued its review of propose Bylaws revisions, focusing on those that are more substantial or philosophical changes that may provoke discussion by the Board as a whole. Proposed revisions of Sections 4.02, 4.02.e, 5.01, 5.01.a, 5.01.c, 6.01, 7.02.a., and rescission of Section 4.03 were agreed to by the Committee, but decided to hold off voting until after it continues its review at the next meeting.

Proposed revisions to Board Policy 1107, Board of Visitors Meeting Scheduling and Procedures, which will be drafted by Donna Meeks and shared with the Chair, Jay Wright and Amanda Skaggs, will also be considered at the Committee's next meeting.

### **REVIEW UNIVERSITY COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATIONS ON BOARD-LEVEL POLICIES**

This discussion was tabled until the next meeting of the Committee.

### **NEXT STEPS**

The Chair noted that the next two meetings of the Committee are scheduled for July 13 and August 10.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:18 p.m.