

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE 9/18/14

OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF VISITORS  
Student Advancement Committee Meeting  
April 24, 2014

MINUTES

The Student Advancement Committee of the Board of Visitors met on Friday, April 26, 2013 in the President's Dining Room of Webb University Center. Committee Members present:

Marc Jacobson, Chair  
John Biagas  
J. William Cofer  
Jodi Gidley  
Dee Gilmore  
Andrea M. Kilmer  
Ronald Ripley  
Linda Miller-Dunleavy (Faculty Representative)  
Bo Yi (Student Representative)

Also Present: John Broderick  
Dr. Ellen Neufeldt (Administrative Representative and Vice President, Student Engagement & Enrollment Services)

Marc Jacobson called the session to order at 10:35 a.m.

**I. APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 5, 2013 MINUTES**

The minutes of the December 5, 2013 meeting were approved.

**II. SELECTION OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2014-5**

The committee recessed and reconvened in closed session to discuss the selection of student representatives. Three candidates were interviewed for consideration as the student representative to the Board, student representative to the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, and representative on the Student Engagement & Enrollment Services Leadership Council. Following discussion, the committee reconvened in open session. The Student Advancement committee will recommend that the Board of Visitors appoint Rodin Ndandula as student representative to the

Board of Visitors, Trianne Smith as student representative to the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, and Corey Coleman to serve on the Student Engagement & Enrollment Services Leadership Council.

Judge Jacobson highlighted a few of the accomplishments of Bo Yi while she served during the past year as the Student Representative to the Board of Visitors, including her leadership of the social media initiative with the creation of a Student Representative webpage, Facebook and Twitter page; her promotion of the REP ODU program; her active engagement with the diverse student body, bringing students to come speak to this committee, including Collin Hust, Student Body President, Yasmine Farley, President of the Graduate Student Organization, and Jose´ Roman, President of the Student Veteran Association. On behalf of the Student Advancement Committee, Judge Jacobson thanked Bo for her dedicated service.

### **III. Report of the Vice President of Student Engagement and Enrollment Services**

Dr. Neufeldt reported on the opening of the Military Connection Center, which includes the veteran success, military mentoring, and the military transition programs. She also discussed a test optional pilot program for admissions similar to George Mason University and Christopher Newport University where students with a high school GPA of 3.3 and above along with certain high school courses may opt to have their applications reviewed independent of standardized test scores. Dr. Neufeldt provided a brief update on the university's strategic plan process.

### **IV. Student Representative Report**

Bo Yi, Student Representative to the Board of Visitors, introduced Collin Hust, outgoing SGA President, and Chris Ndiritu, newly-elected SGA President, who presented a brief video highlighting the 1ODU campaign, which celebrates the diversity of the student body while encouraging unity in pride under the identity of being Monarchs and representing one ODU.

### **V. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.