MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS
OF VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY

July 17, 1975

A regular meeting of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University was held on Thursday, July 17, 1975, at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanger Hall Board Room.

Present were Messrs. Dabney, Obenshain, Scott, Seaborn, Shumate and Taylor; Dr. Gwathmey; and Mesdames Satterfield and Stone. Absent were Messrs. Grey, McGehee, Morgan and Norris; Dr. Blanton; and Mrs. Thalhimer. Also present were Drs. Andrako, Brooke, Hall, Neal, Wilson, Woods and Temple; Mr. Holmes and Mrs. Price.

Mr. Scott called the meeting to order and welcomed back the four members of the Board who had been reappointed.

Following an executive session, on motion made and seconded, the Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Property Committee, held June 17, 1975; the Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Executive Committee, held June 19, 1975; the Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Board of Visitors, held May 28, 1975; and the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Visitors, held June 19, 1975, were unanimously approved.

The Report of the President followed.

The Nominating Committee (Mr. Dabney, Dr. Gwathmey and Mr. Shumate) recommended the election of the following officers: Dr. Wyndham B. Blanton, Jr., Rector; Mr. S. Buford Scott, Vice
Rector; and Mr. Richard D. Obenshain, Secretary. The Nominating Committee recommended the election of the following members of the Executive Committee: Dr. Wyndham B. Blanton, Jr.; Mr. S. Buford Scott; Mr. Richard D. Obenshain; Mr. Robert J. Grey; Dr. Owen Gwathmey; Mr. Stuart Shumate and Mr. Virginius Dabney. On motion made and seconded, the recommendations of the Nominating Committee were unanimously approved.

The Status Report on the HMO Planning Project was accepted by the Board.

Dr. Neal presented the application to develop a heliport on top of the new parking deck. Dr. Neal stated that the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) would contribute $300,000, the State Division of Aeronautics would contribute $50,000 and the University's share would be $50,000. The only restrictions which would be placed on the University concerning the heliport are that it must be lighted and designated a public heliport. On motion made and seconded, the application to develop a heliport was unanimously approved.

Mr. Holmes presented a report outlining the financial data concerning the Richmond Eye Hospital. Mr. Holmes indicated that we would request that funds for the purchase of the Eye Hospital be included in the anticipated 1976 bond referendum. However, in the interim, we would have to pledge as security funds that are obtained through federal grant overhead. We do not anticipate having to use the grant overhead monies, since both the State
Treasurer and the State Budget Director have given very positive indications regarding inclusion of the Eye Hospital in the bond package. Dr. Temple stated that the administration recommended that the Department of Psychiatry be moved to this facility. Psychiatry was not to be moved to the new hospital but would have remained at its present location. The moving of the Department of Psychiatry would require only minor renovations and the move would give the department an increased identity. Mr. Scott stated that both the Property Committee and the Finance Committee had reviewed this proposal and recommended to the Board that the purchase of the Eye Hospital be approved. On motion made, seconded and unanimously approved, the Board authorized the purchase of the Richmond Eye Hospital and the moving of the Department of Psychiatry to this facility.

On motion made and seconded, the Report of Gifts, Grants and Contracts was unanimously approved.

On motion made and seconded, the Financial Statements were accepted unanimously by the Board.

Following a discussion, on motion made and seconded, the Faculty Appointments and Changes in Status were unanimously approved.

On motion made and seconded, the following resolution was unanimously approved by the Board:

RESOLVED, that the Vice Rector is authorized to sign the "Amendment to the Virginia Hospital Laundry Agreement" in the absence of the Rector.
Mr. Holmes presented the "Guidelines for Building the Biennial Budget for 1976-78." This was presented to the Board to keep them abreast of the various formulae and other data used to formulate VCU's budget.

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m. for a tour of MCV Hospitals.

Richard D. Obenshain

Approved:

Wyndham B. Blanton, Jr.
MINUTES OF AN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS
OF VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY
July 17, 1975

(These minutes are for members of the Board of Visitors and those
members of the administration present during the executive ses-
session and are to be treated with the strictest of confidence.)

An Executive Session of the Board of Visitors of Virginia
Commonwealth University was held July 17, 1975, at 9:00 a.m. in
the Sanger Hall Board Room.

Present were Messrs. Dabney, Obenshain, Scott, Seaborn,
Shumate and Taylor; Dr. Gwathmey; and Mesdames Satterfield and
Stone. Absent were Messrs. Grey, McGehee, Morgan and Norris;
Dr. Blanton and Mrs. Thalhimer. Also present were Drs. Brooke,
Neal and Temple; Mr. Holmes and Mrs. Price.

Dr. Temple reported that the reports prepared by Booz,
Allen & Hamilton were difficult to interpret. Therefore, the
administration had prepared a "checklist" of all those recom-
mandations presented to date in the Booz, Allen & Hamilton re-
ports and modified by the administration. The administration
will return to the Board each month with a progress report and
use the checklist as a guide. Dr. Neal went over the checklist
with the Board indicating target dates for completion.

The members of the Board indicated that this checklist
was very helpful.

The checklist will be updated at each Board meeting.

Executive Session was concluded at 10:00 a.m.
Dr. Temple reported that with regard to the Virginia Hospital Laundry, First and Merchants National Bank had closed the loan. The Office of the Attorney General had written a letter giving clear authority to the Board of Visitors to enter into a contract with Virginia Hospital Laundry. Dr. Temple reported that he had received a call from Mr. Earl Dickinson, a member of the General Assembly from Goochland, regarding the Hospital Laundry. Dr. Temple indicated to Mr. Dickinson that he would like very much to have the opportunity for members of the VCU administration to sit down and discuss the Virginia Hospital Laundry with him. Mr. Dickinson agreed; however, no date for such a meeting was agreed upon.

Dr. Temple reported that he and other state-supported university presidents had been invited to a meeting of the Appropriations Committee at which time Dr. Marvin presented the State Council's capital outlay priority list. VCU fell in category three (3). In addition, a meeting was held with Senator Willey and Delegate Lane to discuss VCU's capital outlay requests at which time their support was requested.

Dr. Temple stated that a semi-annual report had been prepared for submission to SCHEV with regard to our affirmative action program. Dr. Temple read excerpts from the report which indicated that VCU was complying in these areas.

Dr. Temple reported that he had had a conversation with Dr. Blanton concerning the appropriateness of holding an inauguration. Dr. Blanton indicated that he felt an inauguration should be held with the Board's concurrence. Dr. Temple indicated that he would like very much to have Governor Godwin present and that December 4th seemed to be the best date. The Board agreed that there should be an inauguration and that December 4th was an appropriate date.

Dr. Temple discussed with the Board various items relating to the President's House at 1201 Loch Lomond Court. The Board concurred in the proposed expenditure.

Dr. Temple reported that he had received verbal confirmation from the Office of the Attorney General that VCU would be allowed to have its own legal counsel with certain conditions. A letter is to follow outlining these conditions.
Dr. Temple gave the Board an update on the hospital bond package. He indicated that they had had a conversation with representatives from Blyth, Eastman, Dillon and Company regarding several options available to MCV/VCU. Blyth, Eastman representatives feel that the bonds are very marketable. The State Treasurer indicated in a meeting held with him that he felt there were three points which needed to be clarified: (1) Does the present authority given by the General Assembly relate to the 9-D bonds as well as the 9-C bonds? (2) Do the issues raised over the 9-C bonds have any affect on the 9-D bonds? (3) If questions one and two receive favorable replies, it will be necessary to update the cost of the hospital and redo the financial feasibility study. Dr. Temple indicated that the administration doubts whether the General Assembly's authorization of 9-C bonds covers 9-D bonds. If not, the administration will have to work with the General Assembly during the coming session to gain approval to issue 9-D bonds. This will mean an eight or nine month delay.

Dr. Temple and Dr. Brooke reported that we had received a $10,000 grant from the Cabell Foundation for the special collections section in the library.

Richard D. Obenshain

Approved:

Wyndham B. Blanton, Jr.