



RADFORD UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF VISITORS
STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING
MARTIN HALL - BOARD ROOM
RADFORD, VIRGINIA
12:30 P.M.
SEPTEMBER 12, 2013

APPROVED

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Matthew B. Crisp, Chair
Ms. Mary Waugh Campbell
Ms. Ruby W. Rogers
Mr. Michael A. Wray
Ms. Katrina Koussis, student representative (non-voting, advisory member),
Ms. Linda K. Whitley-Taylor, Rector
Mr. Milton C. Johns, Vice Rector.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Callie M. Dalton
Ms. Sandra C. Davis
Dr. Kevin R. Dye
Mr. Michael S. Hurt
Ms. Alethea "A.J." Robinson
Ms. Georgia Anne Snyder-Falkinham
Dr. Laura J. Jacobsen, faculty representative (non-voting, advisory member).

OTHERS PRESENT:

President Penelope W. Kyle
Mr. Joe Carpenter, Vice President for University Relations and Chief Communications Officer
Mr. Danny M. Kemp, Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer
Dr. Sam Minner, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Deborah J. Robinson, Vice President for University Advancement
Ms. Margaret McManus, University Auditor
Mr. Kenneth J. Bonk, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Student Activities
Ms. Susan Trageser, Interim Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Interim Dean of Students
Ms. Michele N. Schumacher, Secretary to the Board of Visitors

Mr. Zachary McCoy, President of the Student Government Association
Radford University faculty and staff

Ms. Stephanie Hamlett, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Commonwealth of Virginia

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Matthew B. Crisp, Chair, formally called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m. in the Board Room in Martin Hall.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Crisp asked for a motion to approve the September 12, 2013, meeting agenda as published. Mr. Michael A. Wray so moved and Ms. Ruby W. Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Crisp asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2013, meeting of the Student Affairs Committee as published. Ms. Mary W. Campbell so moved and Mr. Michael A. Wray seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

STUDENT AFFAIRS REPORT

Fall Move-In and Opening Week Activities

Mr. Kenneth J. Bonk, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Student Activities, provided the Committee with an update on the fall 2013 move-in and welcome week activities; fitness and wellness activities; Greek Life; and programs geared to engage/involve students in campus activities. In reviewing these various activities Mr. Bonk informed the Committee that that the focus of Student Affairs is not only getting the students to Radford University, but also retaining the students once they are here. He indicated that studies have shown that if you engage the students within the first six weeks of the academic year, that is, getting each student to feel like they matter, from not only an academic standpoint but a social standpoint as well, you will retain them. He went on to explain how Student Affairs has been working with Academic Affairs to engage the students during the course of the academic year. A copy of Mr. Bonk's report is attached hereto as *Attachment A* and made a part hereof.

Dean of Students Report

Ms. Susan Trageser, Interim Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Interim Dean of Students, updated the Committee on several items, including personnel changes within the division; the Step UP – Bystander Intervention program; student housing and residential life; and activities in the Center for Diversity and Inclusion, Disability Resource Center, and the Student Support Services. She noted the success of the fall residence hall move-in process, and informed the Committee that the on-campus housing was at full capacity. She also reported that the

residence hall renovations on Washington Hall were completed on time, and that Pocahontas, Bolling and Draper Halls are next in line for renovations. A copy of Ms. Trageser's report is attached hereto as *Attachment B* and is made a part hereof.

Mr. Crisp thanked Mr. Bonk and Ms. Trageser for their reports.

REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Mr. Zachary McCoy, President of the Student Government Association (SGA), presented a report to the Committee, which included updates on activities and/or events sponsored by the SGA; changes to the SGA Constitution; the SGA retreats held in June and August of 2013; student feedback initiatives and actions that the SGA is taking to increase the number of candidates and student voting in the upcoming SGA Fall 2013 elections; new legislative initiatives the SGA is undertaking for 2013-2014; and the SGA's attempts to build new traditions and invigorate old traditions at Radford University. A copy of Mr. McCoy's report is attached hereto as *Attachment C* and is made a part hereof.

Mr. Crisp thanked Mr. McCoy for his report.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Committee, Mr. Matthew Crisp, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele N. Schumacher
Secretary to the Board of Visitors