

# WILLIAM & MARY

BOARD OF VISITORS  
COMMITTEE ON THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE  
DRAFT MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 28, 2023  
GRIMSLEY BOARD ROOM – BLOW MEMORIAL HALL

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. Kendrick F. Ashton, Jr., Chair  
Ms. Laura Keehner Rigas, Vice Chair  
Ms. AnnaMaria DeSalva, Vice Chair (*via zoom*)  
Mr. Stephen J. Huebner  
Hon. John E. Littel  
Mr. J.E. Lincoln Saunders  
Mr. Max Beers, Student Representative

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Mr. Brian P. Woolfolk  
Dr. Aaron Griffith, Faculty Representative

## **OTHER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. S. Douglas Bunch  
Ms. Barbara L. Johnson  
Mr. Courtney M. Malveaux  
Mr. C. Michael Petters  
Mr. John P. Rathbone  
Ms. Ardine Williams  
Ms. Sydney E. Thayer, Student Representative  
Dr. David S. Armstrong, Faculty Representative  
Dr. Taylor V. Locks, Staff Liaison

## **OTHERS PRESENT**

Dr. Katherine A. Rowe, President  
Dr. Peggy Agouris, Provost  
Dr. D. Derek Aday, VIMS Dean and Director  
Dr. Virginia M. Ambler, Vice President for Student Affairs  
Ms. Alana Davis, Associate Provost & University Registrar  
Dr. W. Fanchon Glover, Chief Diversity Officer  
Dr. Robert C. Knoepfel, Dean of the School of Education  
Dr. Matthew Lambert, Vice President for University Advancement  
Dr. Jeremy P. Martin, Vice President for Strategy & Innovation  
Ms. Carrie S. Nee, University Counsel  
Dr. Carlane Pittman-Hampton, Chief of Staff  
Dr. David A. Yalof, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs  
Mr. Michael J. Fox, Senior Assistant to the President and Secretary to the Board of Visitors  
Ms. Jessica Walton, Deputy Secretary to the Board of Visitors  
Ms. Anna Mroch, Interim AVP for Student Engagement and Leadership  
Mr. Gregory Henderson, Assistant VP for Student Affairs & Chief of Staff  
Mr. Brian Mann, Director of Athletics  
Ms. Lisa Garrett, Executive Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs

## **INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

Mr. Kendrick F. Ashton, Jr. called the Committee for the Student Experience to order at 1:04 p.m. and welcomed new student representative Mr. Max Beers.

Mr. Ashton said that Ms. AnnaMaria DeSalva, Member of the Committee on the Student Experience, notified the Rector that she was unable to attend the meeting due to last-minute travel issues. She asked to participate in the meeting electronically from New York, NY. Pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and Section III.D of the Board bylaws, Mr. Ashton moved that the Committee approve this use of electronic participation. The motion was seconded by Ms. Laura Keehner Rigas and approved by voice vote.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Recognizing that a quorum was present, Mr. Ashton moved to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2023 meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rigas and approved by voice vote.

#### **STATE OF COLLEGE ATHLETICS DISCUSSION**

Mr. Brian Mann, Director of Athletics, led a discussion on the state of college athletics. The primary focus was a review of key moments during the last ten years that has led the industry to the current environment. Mr. Mann shared that the goal was to create a shared understanding and shared language across the Committee for the Student Experience members to better prepare the group to make decisions should we arrive at a place where we feel compelled to do so.

#### **KPI DISCUSSION**

Dr. Ginger Ambler, Vice President for Student Affairs, and Mr. Brian Mann, Director of Athletics, presented Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) – Academic Support Engagement; Athletics Competitive Success; Co-Curricular Engagement; GPA & Major; and Health & Wellness – to the committee for discussion. He noted the focus on Students and Athletics, and highlighted the importance of student success as it relates to Core Values. These values involve Campus Living, Academics Engagement and Health and Wellness. There was a consensus from the Committee that the KPIs presented are a good mix of indicators that can be used to make decisions.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Mr. Ashton moved that the Committee on the Student Experience move to closed session pursuant to Va. Code §2.2-3711.A.2 to discuss disciplinary matters that would require the disclosure of information in an individual student's scholastic records; and Va. Code §2.2-3711.A.8 for legal advice related to statutory and regulatory compliance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stephen J. Huebner and approved by roll call vote - 6 - 0 - conducted by Mr. Michael J. Fox, Secretary to the Board of Visitors. Mr. Brian P. Woolfolk was not present for the meeting. Observers were asked to leave the room and the Committee and other Board members went into closed session at 2:07 p.m. with President, Vice President for Student Affairs and University Counsel.

The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:45 p.m. Mr. Ashton moved that the Committee certify by roll call vote that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements under the Freedom of Information Act were discussed, and only matters identified in the motion to have the closed session were discussed. Motion was seconded by Mr. Huebner and approved by roll call vote - 6 - 0 - conducted by Mr. Fox. Mr. Brian P. Woolfolk was not present for the meeting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Ashton adjourned the meeting at 2:46 pm.