

**OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF VISITORS  
2017 Interim Executive Summary of Activities**

**Document Title**

Annual Executive Summary of the Interim Activity and Work of the Board of Visitors of Old Dominion University

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§§ 23.1-1300 through 1310

§§ 23.1-2000 through 2004

**Executive Summary**

As stated in Virginia Code § 23.1-1303 (12), the governing board of each public institution of higher education shall submit to the General Assembly and the Governor an annual executive summary of its interim activity and work no later than the first day of each regular session of the General Assembly.

During 2017, the Board of Visitors of Old Dominion University held three regular meetings on April 27, 2017, September 21, 2017, and December 7, 2017, and its annual meeting on June 8, 2017. In addition to the regular and annual meetings of the Board and its standing committees (Academic & Research Advancement, Administration & Finance, Athletics, Audit, Student Enhancement & Engagement, and University Advancement), the Board's executive committee met once on July 17, 2017, an orientation for new Board members was held on August 21, 2017, and the Board held its annual retreat on February 3, 2017. During these meetings, the Board received briefings and/or held discussions on the following topics:

- Financial Strategy
- Strategic Fundraising Initiatives
- Enrollment Trends
- 2017-2018 Operating Budget and Tuition & Fees
- 2014-2019 Strategic Plan Update
- Faculty Promotions and Tenure
- Shared Services Model for Research Computing
- Start on Success Partnership with Administration & Finance and Norfolk Public Schools
- University's Partnership with the New E3 (Elevated Early Education) School
- New Dual Career Resource for Those Hiring Full-time Faculty
- Barry Art Museum Groundbreaking
- Fundraising Prospect Research Methods
- 24-Hour Roar Results
- Joint Board Planning Meeting Update
- Proposed Academic Strategies for the 2018-2020 Biennium
- Research Updates
- Faculty Exit Interviews 2012-16
- Proposal to Establish Board Standing Committee on Athletics

- Six-Year Academic and Financial Plans
- Online Virginia Network
- National Science Foundation Grant to Expand Cybersecurity Program
- Expansion of Health Programs in Virginia Beach
- \$200M Fundraising Initiative
- New Women's Volleyball Program
- Partnership with Sentara Heart Hospital for Testing of Student Athletes
- Honorary Degree Recipients Since 2012
- ODU's Cybersecurity Programs: An Interdisciplinary Approach
- Preliminary Enrollment Numbers
- New Webb Center Space
- Impact of National Events
- Update on Code of Virginia Section 23.1-1303
- Crisis and Emergency Management Plan Overview
- Annual Debt Management Report
- Fall Semester Opening
- ODU Civic Scholars Update
- Community Relations
- University Events
- Strategic Communication & Marketing
- Athletics Strategic Plan
- Athletics Gender Equity Review
- Athletics Budget & Revenue
- Department of Athletics Organization
- NCAA Compliance
- GO Virginia Projects Awarded to ODU
- President's Task Force on Economic Development, Entrepreneurship and Tech Transfer/Commercialization
- Legislative Initiatives
- Recognitions and Awards
- New Academic Program Development
- Faculty Salary Comparisons
- Student Success Initiatives
- Male Victim Resources
- Unaudited Financial Statements for Year Ended June 30, 2017
- Capital Design Update for New Hugo A. Owens House and Chemistry Building
- Enterprise Risk Management
- Master Plan Update
- Policing as a Community Video
- Community Engagement Update
- Alumni Relations Activities
- Licensing Program Updates
- Quarterly Investment Reports
- Quarterly Capital Outlay Projects Progress Reports
- Quarterly Fundraising Reports
- Quarterly Safety and Security Updates

- Quarterly Reports from Student Representative to the Board
- Quarterly Reports from the Internal Auditor:
  - Status reports on current audit projects and other initiatives
  - Annual risk assessment and proposed audit plan
  - Quality Assurance Improvement Program
  - Fraud Waste and Abuse Investigations
  - Open Audit Issues from Prior Audits
  - Audit Reports:
    - Accounts payable vendor payments
    - Cognos/Insight (operational data store)
    - SoBran Facility Operations
    - College of Engineering and Technology
    - Facilities Management
    - Confucius Institute
    - Office of the President
    - Accounts Receivable Cashiering, Student Billing & TouchNet
    - Banner Document Management System

An exit conference with the Auditor of Public Accounts on the University's audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, was held with the Board's Audit Committee on June 8, 2017.

The following actions were taken by the Board during 2017:

- 80 faculty appointments, 93 administrative faculty appointments, seven appointments with tenure, 18 emeritus/emerita appointments, one dual employment, and granted tenure to 24 faculty members
- Appointed the Louis I. Jaffe Professor in the College of Arts and Letters
- Awarded three honorary degrees
- Revised five Board policies
- Approved a new Master of Science Program in Cybersecurity.
- Appointed faculty representatives to the Board standing committees
- Appointed student representative to the Board
- Approved 2017-2018 Tuition and Fees
- Approved 2017-2018 Operating Budget and Plan
- Approved President's Compensation Package
- Renamed the Center for Economic Analysis and Policy the Dragas Center for Economic Analysis and Policy
- Named the old Education Building Monarch Hall
- Approved the 2018 Audit Plan and a modified 2017 Audit Plan
- Approve the Six-Year Academic and Financial Plan
- Revised its Bylaws to add a standing committee on Athletics.
- Approved a Resolution in support of the Veterans Access, Choice and Accountability Act of 2014 (as amended by Public Law 114-315)

The Old Dominion University Board of Visitors continues to operate in a transparent manner, to the extent required by law, in all Board actions. Each of the meetings noted above were open to the public and notice was provided pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3707. The agendas and minutes of the meetings are

published on the Board's website and the Commonwealth Calendar. Business conducted in closed session during any of these meetings was done in compliance with Virginia Code § 2.2-3711. The University's Assistant Attorney General & University Counsel attends all meetings of the Board.

The [Bylaws of the Old Dominion University Board of Visitors](#) are posted on the Board's website and note the requirements of the Board in order to ensure the transparency of its actions. Sections 3.07 and 3.08 of the Bylaws require that all meetings of the Board be conducted in accordance with the *Code of Virginia*, the Bylaws and Board policies and procedures. This is more specifically addressed in [Board Policy 1107, Board of Visitors Meeting Scheduling and Procedures](#). Section 3.07 also states that the Board shall request the presence of the University legal representative at all open and closed meetings and committee meetings, except those where the President is being evaluated or presenting portions of his/her Annual Report dealing with the evaluation of University officers (unless otherwise directed by the Attorney General).

The Board of Visitors met twice with President John R. Broderick in 2017 in closed session to discuss his evaluation; his mid-year evaluation was conducted at the Board's annual retreat on February 3, 2017, and the annual evaluation was done at the Board's annual meeting on June 8, 2017, when the Board approved, by unanimous vote, the President's compensation package.