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TO THE GOVERNOR AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

As stated in §23.1-1303 (Chapter 13) of the *Code of Virginia*, the Board of Visitors of The College of William and Mary in Virginia is required to 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.

In 2018, the Board of Visitors held regularly scheduled meetings in February, April, September and November. Called meetings were held on January 29 and February 20. A Board retreat was held in August. Board agendas and minutes are posted on the Board of Visitors web page on the William & Mary web site at:

<http://www.wm.edu/about/administration/bov/index.php>

The narrative summary for the College of William & Mary is attached and details how the William & Mary Board of Visitors complied with the *Code* section shown above.

Should you have any questions, please let me know. My contact information is shown below.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael J. Fox".

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR THE BOARD OF VISITORS OF THE COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY IN VIRGINIA

2018

The Board of Visitors is the governing authority of The College of William and Mary in Virginia (W&M), including the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) and Richard Bland College (RBC). The Board has taken multiple actions to ensure compliance with the provisions of the *Code of Virginia §23.1-1303*, which require the boards of visitors of each public institution of higher education to submit to the General Assembly and the Governor an annual executive summary no later than the first day of each regular session of the General Assembly.

During 2018, the W&M Board of Visitors held four regular meetings on February 6-10, April 18-20 (annual meeting), September 26-28 and November 16-18. A called meeting was held on January 29 specifically to meet FOIA requirements concerning off-campus interviews. The second called meeting was held on February 20 for the purpose of electing the 28<sup>th</sup> President of William & Mary. In addition, the Board held a retreat on August 9-10.

In conjunction with the April meeting, the Richard Bland College Committee met with the Richard Bland College (RBC) President in closed session to deliver an evaluation of the President's performance over the prior year. In conjunction with the September meeting, the Board met with the President of W&M in closed session to deliver an evaluation of the President's performance over the prior year. During each of the regular meetings, the committees of the Board also met. These include: Academic Affairs, Administration, Buildings and Grounds, Advancement, Athletics, Audit and Compliance, Executive Committee, Financial Affairs, Richard Bland College, Strategic Initiatives and New Ventures, and Student Affairs,

Minutes for all meetings may be found at <http://www.wm.edu/about/administration/bov/minutes/index.php>

The following is a list of actions that were taken by the Board during 2018 and the corresponding web address for the minutes of that meeting, along with the agenda and presentations:

## SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY

February 9-10, 2018 meeting - <http://www.wm.edu/about/administration/bov/minutes/index.php>

1. Approval of instructional faculty appointments; faculty promotions, academic tenure, designated professorships, leave of absence and retirements for W&M instructional faculty;
2. Approval of Bachelor of Science program in Computational and Applied Mathematics and Statistics for W&M
3. Approval of property acquisition for VIMS, two electrical easements for W&M
4. Adoption of proposed amended regulation regarding weapons and proposed relation regarding open flames on campus for W&M

February 20, 2018 meeting - <http://www.wm.edu/about/administration/bov/minutes/index.php>

1. Election of the 28<sup>th</sup> President of the College of William & Mary in Virginia.
2. Approval of resolution commending the Presidential Search Committee, H. Thomas Watkins III, Robert M. Gates and Cheryl C. Corvello

April 2018 meeting - <http://www.wm.edu/about/administration/bov/minutes/index.php>

1. Approval of executive appointment, instructional faculty appointments; designated professorships, leaves of absence, faculty promotions, academic tenure and retirement for instructional faculty for W&M; approval of professional faculty appointments, instructional faculty promotions and faculty leaves of absence and two retirements for RBC; approval of resolution of appreciation for Chuck Moore as Director of Athletics and Head Men's Basketball Coach
2. Approval of proposed revisions to the regulation regarding weapons and the proposed regulation regarding open flames on campus for RBC; approval of final regulation regarding weapons and proposed regulation regarding open flames on campus for W&M
3. Approval of tuition, fees, operating budgets for W&M, RBC and VIMS
4. Approval of honorary degree at RBC Commencement
5. Revisions to the Bylaws of the Board
6. Approval of resolution commending Jacquelyn Y. McLendon as chair of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first African American Students in Residence at W&M
7. Approval of resolution accepting gift of a badge and chain of office for the President of W&M; approval of resolution of apology for W&M's part in slavery and segregation
8. Approval of amendment to the deferred compensation agreement for Taylor Reveley; approval of resolution in honor of Helen and Taylor Reveley and conferring emeritus status on both; approval of honorary degree for Taylor Reveley

August 2018 Retreat - <http://www.wm.edu/about/administration/bov/minutes/index.php>

1. Approval to rescind the honorary Master of Arts degree awarded to William H. Cosby, Jr. on May 16, 1993.
2. In compliance with the SACSCOC standard relating to Board Self-Evaluation, the Rector developed a self-assessment survey that was distributed to all members of the Board. The survey was reviewed and an in-depth discussion ensued to evaluate the results, which led to changes to Board structure and processes beginning with the September meeting.

September 2018 meeting - <http://www.wm.edu/about/administration/bov/minutes/index.php>

1. Approval of appointments of instructional and professional faculty for RBC and instructional faculty for W&M, approval of designated professorships, faculty promotions, leaves of absence and award of tenure for W&M.
2. Approval of Bachelor of Arts program in Japanese Studies and Master of Science program in Psychological Sciences for W&M
3. Approval of 9(D) sale for pooled bond program and 9(C) revenue bond program participation and declaration of intent to reimburse the cost of certain expenditures for W&M
4. Approval of six-year plan updates for RBC, W&M and VIMS, approval of FY20 operating and capital budget amendments for W&M and VIMS, approval of revised 2018-2019 operating budget for RBC

5. Approval of Succession Plan for RBC and W&M; revision to Code of Ethics for RBC; revision to corporate resolution to transact business and confirm authorized business agents for W&M
6. Resolution of appreciation for Hays and Betty Watkins gift to RBC; Naming of Munford Plaza at W&M
7. Revisions to the Bylaws of the Board
8. Reappointment of Robert Gates for a second term as W&M Chancellor

November 2018 meeting - <http://www.wm.edu/about/administration/bov/minutes/index.php>

1. Approval of instructional faculty appointments, designated professorships and faculty leaves of absence for W&M.
2. Accepted the consolidated financial report for W&M, VIMS and RBC and the financial report for the W&M athletic department for fiscal year ended June 30, 2017
3. Approval of interim use of funds to support detailed planning for the Integrated Science Center 4 project and then establish a quasi-endowment to support the most pressing needs of the university and add funds to the Green & Gold Fund
4. Approval of 2019 internal audit work plan for W&M and RBC
5. After soliciting public comment, approved the W&M Promise as the operating model for the university, and approved FY20 tuition for incoming in-state undergraduates.
6. Approval of resolutions to name the Mary Morton Parsons Café at RBC, the Tribe Field Hockey Center at W&M and the Acuff Center for Aquaculture at VIMS, demolition of multiple structures at the Eastern Shore Laboratory and within the VIMS Facilities Maintenance Complex
7. Approval of the Crisis and Emergency Management Plan for W&M
8. Approval of RBC request for FY20 budget amendment
9. Approval of final regulations regarding weapons and open flames on campus for RBC