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University of Mary Washington 2022 Annual Executive Summary of Interim Activity and Work of the Board of Visitors

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Executive Summary

In accordance with [Va. Code §23.1-1303 \(B.13.\)](#), the Board of Visitors of the University of Mary Washington provides the following summary of its activities since the submission of its last executive summary. Pursuant to [Va. Code §23.1-1301](#) the Board continued its practice of conducting all Board, committee, and subcommittee meetings in compliance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, [Va. Code §2.2-3700](#) et seq. Consistent with the requirements of [Va. Code §23.1-1301](#), the Board's bylaws are posted on the Board's website.

On February 17, 2022, the Board of Visitors held a public comment session. An Attorney General's representative has been invited to all Board meetings and has attended most. The Board conducted its regular annual assessment of the President. As required by [Va. Code §23-2.03](#), the Board held a closed meeting to provide an evaluation of the University President's performance. In accordance with [Va. Code §23-2.04](#), the Board's Executive Committee organized the working processes of the Board to accomplish the specific governance practices identified therein. The Board has adopted a statement of governance and a code of ethics for Visitors.

Effective January 14, 2022, two new Board members were appointed by Governor Northam. The Board members succeeded two Board members who resigned. The Board conducted an orientation session for new members that included training on the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. On June 30, 2022, four new Board members were appointed by Governor Youngkin. The newly appointed members of the Board attended the mandatory SCHEV orientation program in October 2022.

Following is a summary of Board of Visitors Actions in the period from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

**University of Mary Washington Board of Visitors
Meeting Actions
January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022**

Board of Visitors Executive Committee, January 26, 2022

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The Board of Visitors Executive Committee approved the following:

- Service citation for former Board of Visitors member Ted Hontz who was appointed to the Board of Visitors in 2016
- Service citation for former Board of Visitors member Leopoldo Martínez who was appointed to the Board of Visitors in 2018
- Service citation for former Board of Visitors member Rhonda VanLowe who was appointed to the Board of Visitors in 2015.
- Meeting agenda for the February 17-18, 2022 Board of Visitors quarterly meeting

Board of Visitors Meeting, February 17-18, 2022

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The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Meeting Minutes:
 - o Draft Meeting Minutes_UMW Board of Visitors Meeting_November 18-19, 2021
 - o Draft Meeting Minutes_UMW Board of Visitors Executive Committee_December 8, 2021
 - o Draft Meeting Minutes_Board of Visitors Diversity & Inclusion Ad-Hoc Committee, January 12, 2022
 - o Draft Meeting Minutes_Board of Visitors Executive Committee_January 26, 2022
- The naming of the Cedric Rucker University Center Resolution and upon his retirement, that Cedric Rucker will carry with him the title of Associate Vice President of Student Affairs and Dean of Students Emeritus.
- George Washington Hall mural project
- February 2022 Personnel Docket
- Donor Terms of Agreement:
 - o Katherine Aaslestad '85 Scholarship in History
 - o Molly Bradshaw Clark '59 Scholarship
 - o Carol Merklinger Condon '59 and Joseph H. Condon
- Naming Resolution for:
 - o Professor Galen deGraff Classroom
- Establish a voluntary retirement incentive policy for instructional faculty
- Changes to Policy B.8.3., Library Circulation

Board of Visitors Executive Committee Meeting, March 16, 2022

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The Board of Visitors Executive Committee approved the following:

- Resolutions discussed during a closed session with legal counsel regarding a specific legal matter pertaining to the University of Mary Washington Foundation
- Resolutions of appreciation recognizing service of elected student leaders within the Student Government Association for their specific contributions in representing their peers to the

- administration, and devoted efforts in promoting the overall welfare of the University through their outstanding service during the 2021-2022 academic year
- Meeting agenda for the April 7-8, 2022 Board of Visitors quarterly meeting

Board of Visitors Nominating & Governance Committee, March 16, 2022

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The Board of Visitors Nominating & Governance Committee reviewed the following:

- Draft Outline for Revision of the Annual Review of the Performance of the President

Board of Visitors Meeting, April 7-8, 2022

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The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Meeting Minutes:
 - o DRAFT Meeting Minutes_UMW Board of Visitors Meeting, February 17-18, 2022
 - o DRAFT Meeting Minutes_UMW Board of Visitors Nominating & Governance Committee March 16, 2022
 - o DRAFT Meeting Minutes_UMW Board of Visitors Executive Committee, March 16, 2022
- Faculty Leadership Award nomination as discussed in closed session
- April 2022 Personnel Docket for Teaching and Instructional Faculty
- Donor Terms of Agreement:
 - o Carl B. Frye, Jr. '93 Scholarship
 - o Class of '73 50th Reunion Scholarship
 - o Mark Ingrao Scholarship
 - o UMW Accounting Alumni Scholarship
 - o Ingrao Collaboration Room
- The Eagle Resource Closet in Lee Hall shall henceforth be known as the Gwen Hale Resource Closet.
- Modified Degree Proposal for the MBA Degree, as presented.
- New Certificate Program in Medical Spanish, as presented.
- Changes to the Faculty Handbook, as presented

Board of Visitors Commencement Meeting, May 6, 2022

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The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Conferring of graduate and undergraduate degrees to candidates listed in the supporting documents posted to the BoardDocs agenda, contingent upon their successful completion of all degree requirements

Board of Visitors Executive Committee Meeting, May 13, 2022

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- Donor Terms of Agreement:

- Marcia Virginia Boyles '58 Scholarship
- Class of 1972 Dr. Michael L. Bass Scholarship
- Craig Family Scholarship
- Cedric B. Rucker '81 Support Our Students (SOS) Fund
- Naming Resolution for:
 - Weatherly Wing
- Proposed *University Faculty Handbook* changes adopted on April 13, 2022, as presented.
- 2022-2023 tuition and fees rates, as presented
- May 2022 Personnel Docket for Teaching and Instructional Faculty for approval with minor edits.

Board of Visitors Presidential Assessment Meeting, June 10, 2022

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The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Meeting Minutes:
 - DRAFT Meeting Minutes_UMW Board of Visitors Meeting April 7-8, 2022
 - DRAFT Meeting Minutes_UMW Board of Visitors Commencement Meeting May 6-7, 2022
 - DRAFT Meeting Minutes_UMW Board of Visitors Executive Committee Meeting, May 13, 2022
- Portrait of Joseph Burwell Ficklen, as presented
- Proposed 2022-2023 Budget, plus the tuition and fees plan, as presented and discussed
- To authorize the President and Rector, or their respective designees, to undertake any steps necessary to effectuate the personnel actions discussed by the Board during closed session.

Board of Visitors Nominating & Governance Election Subcommittee Meeting, June 17, 2022

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The Board of Visitors Nominating & Governance Election Subcommittee approved the following: Nomination of Board of Visitors members Devon Cushman, Robert Strassheim, Charles Reed, Jr., Kerri Barile and Deborah Santiago on the slate of candidates for the positions of Rector, Vice Rector, Secretary and At-Large members respectively on the Board of Visitors Executive Committee.

Board of Visitors Annual Planning Retreat, July 22-23, 2022

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The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Board of Visitors 2022-2023 meeting schedule, as presented
- Election of Devon Cushman, Robert Strassheim, Charles Reed, Jr., Kerri Barile and Deborah Santiago on the slate of candidates for the positions of Rector, Vice Rector, Secretary and At-Large members respectively on the Board of Visitors Executive Committee.

Board of Visitors Executive Committee Meeting, August 24, 2022

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The Board of Visitors Executive Committee approved the following:

- Board of Visitors proposed September 16, 2022, meeting agenda

Board of Visitors Meeting, September 15-16, 2022**[View the agenda.](#)**

The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Meeting Minutes:
 - o Draft Meeting Minutes_Board of Visitors Presidential Assessment, June 10, 2022
 - o Draft Meeting Minutes_Nominating and Governance Election Subcommittee, June 17, 2022
 - o Draft Meeting Minutes_Board of Visitors Annual Planning Retreat, July 21-23, 2022 (REVISED 9-15-22)
 - o Draft Meeting Minutes_Board of Visitors Executive Committee, August 24, 2022
- President's Priorities for 2022-2023, as presented
- Changes to Board Policy B.8.1., Policy on Sexual and Gender-Based Harassment and Other Forms of Interpersonal Violence
- September 2022 Personnel Docket
- 2022 UMW Six-Year Plan
- Donor Terms of Agreement:
 - o Jackson Family Scholarship Resolution
 - o Kemp VI, Patricia Boise '69 Scholarship Resolution
 - o Kendra L. Williams '95 Scholarship Resolution
 - o Wilkins-Van Sant Dept of CPR Resolution
- Naming Resolution for:
 - o Leigh Frackelton Classroom Resolution
- Audit Committee Charter
- Revised Board Bylaws

Board of Visitors Executive Committee Meeting, October 12, 2022**[View the agenda.](#)**

The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Revised Board Bylaws
- Board of Visitors November 18-19, 2022 meeting agenda

Board of Visitors Meeting, November 18-19, 2022**[View the agenda.](#)**

The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Meeting Minutes:
 - o September 16 2022 BOV Mtg Mins Final Draft
 - o Oct 12 2022 – Exec Comm Mtg Minutes Final Draft
- Board bylaws
- Strategic Vision

- Museum Resolutions
 - o The Crimson Ramble
 - o Deed of Gift for the copyright of the James Monroe Papers volumes
- November 2022 Personnel Docket
- Donor Terms of Agreement:
 - o Barbara Jean Blakeman Reed '01 Scholarship
 - o Anne Hope Scott '59 Scholarship in Chemistry
 - o Kelly Ragsdale Paino Scholarship for Future Educators
 - o Margaret Shropshire Small '51 Scholarship
- Naming Resolutions for:
 - o Mason Team Room