

# University of Mary Washington

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University of Mary Washington 2024 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 March 20, 2024 the Board of Visitors held a public comment session. An Attorney General's representative or the Senior Assistant Attorney General and University Counsel attended all Board meetings. The Board conducted its regular annual assessment of the President. As required by [Va. Code §23.1-1303 \(B.9\)](#), the Board held a closed meeting to provide an evaluation of the University President's performance. In accordance with [Va. Code §23.1-1306](#), 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.

Governor Youngkin appointed two new Board members on March 19, 2024 and three new Board members on June 30, 2024. Two of the newly appointed members of the Board attended the mandatory SCHEV orientation program in November 2024.

Following is a summary of Board of Visitors Actions in the period from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

**University of Mary Washington Board of Visitors  
Meeting Actions  
January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024**

**Board of Visitors Executive Committee, January 17, 2024**

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The Board of Visitors Executive Committee approved the following:

- Special awards for exceptional service
- Loan of James Monroe Museum Artifacts
- Meeting agenda for the February 15-16, 2024 Board of Visitors quarterly meeting

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### **Board of Visitors Meeting, February 15-16, 2024**

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The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Meeting Minutes:
  - o Nov 21, 2023 Board of Visitors Meeting
  - o Jan 17, 2024 Board of Visitors Executive Committee
- February 2024 Personnel Docket for Teaching and Instructional Faculty
- Donor Terms of Agreement:
  - o Marshall E. Bowen Scholarship
  - o Donald F. Lynch Jr. and Mary Carole Lynch Library Endowment
  - o Anne McGrath '58 Photography Scholarship,
  - o Sue A. Tillery '81 Scholarship,
  - o Rodgers Summer Science Institute Resolution
- Capital Campaign

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### **Board of Visitors Executive Committee Meeting, March 20, 2024**

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The Board of Visitors Executive Committee approved the following:

- Resolutions of Appreciation
- The April 18-19, 2024, Board of Visitors meeting agenda

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### **Board of Visitors Meeting, April 18-19, 2024**

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The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Meeting Minutes:
  - o February 15, 2024 Minutes
  - o March 20, 2024 Minutes
  - o March 20, 2024 - Public Comment Minutes
- Honor Constitution Updates
- Rescind Policy B.8.2.
- April 2024 Personnel Docket
- Donor Terms of Agreement:
  - o Elizabeth Carolyn Vaughan Pritchett '46 Scholarship
- 2024-2025 Tuition and Fees

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### **Board of Visitors Commencement Meeting, May 10, 2024**

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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

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**Board of Visitors Presidential Assessment Meeting, June 7, 2024**

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The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Meeting Minutes:
  - o April 2024
  - o May 2025
- 2024-2025 budget
- 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.

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**Board of Visitors Nominating & Governance Election Subcommittee Meeting, July 8, 2024**

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The Board of Visitors Nominating & Governance Election Subcommittee approved the following: Nomination of Board of Visitors members W. Lee Murray, Andrew T. Lamar, Davis C. Rennolds, Christopher D. Newman, and Terrie L. Suit 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.

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**Board of Visitors Annual Planning Retreat, July 25-27, 2024**

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The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Election of Executive Committee members
- Mission Statement Revision
- UMW ATI Lab School Agreement
- MOU with UMW Foundation
- 2024-2025 Board of Visitors Meeting Calendar, as presented

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**Board of Visitors Executive Committee Meeting, August 21, 2024**

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The Board of Visitors Executive Committee approved the following:

- September 19-20, 2024 Board of Visitors meeting agenda
- Bylaws changes

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**Board of Visitors Meeting, September 19-20, 2024**

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The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Meeting Minutes for:
  - o Presidential Assessment, June 2024

- Nominating and Governance Election Subcommittee, July 8, 2024
- Board of Visitors Annual Planning Retreat, July 2024
- Board of Visitors Executive Committee, August 2024
- President's Priorities for 2024-2025
- Level II Authority Renewal
- Loan of 10 paintings from Gari Melchers' to the Stedelijk Museum Alkmaar in the Netherlands
- September 2024 Personnel Docket
- Donor Terms of Agreement for:
  - Carrol Adair Gury '68 Environmental Sciences Scholarship
  - COL Patricia Hess Jernigan '64 Veterans Scholarship
  - William and Elizabeth (Kelling) Leasure '66 Scholarship
  - Barbara Forgione Tansey '70 English Scholarship
- FY25 Audit Plan
- Policy B.2.8. for participation in Board meetings by electronic means
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### **Board of Visitors Executive Committee Meeting, October 16, 2024**

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The Board of Visitors Executive Committee approved the following:

- Six-Year Plan
- November 14-15, 2024 Board of Visitors meeting agenda

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### **Board of Visitors Meeting, November 14-15, 2024**

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The Board of Visitors approved the following:

- Meeting minutes for:
  - September 2024
  - October 2024
- International Student Application Fee
- November 2024 Personnel Docket
- Donor Terms of Agreement for:
  - James E. Bales Library Research Scholarship
  - McKay Comes Family Scholarship
  - Allene Atkinson Hull '56 Scholarship in Music
  - Sally Brannan Hurt '92 Scholarship
  - Patricia Boise Kemp '69 Scholarship VIII
  - Llewellyn Scholarship in Psychology II
  - Jacob Sapp Family Endowment
  - Donna Frances Drake Smith '66 Music Education Scholarship
- Comprehensive Campus Building and Space Planning Report