

## **RESOLUTION RE-NAMING BASEBALL'S ENGLISH FIELD TO ENGLISH FIELD AT UNION PARK**

**WHEREAS**, Baseball is a signature sport in the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC), and is a source of significant investment for many of our peer universities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Virginia Tech Department of Athletics seeks to enhance our existing facility, aligning it with our competitors and providing a baseball event venue befitting a baseball-rich community like Blacksburg; and

**WHEREAS**, Union Bank and Trust ("Union") has been a sustaining and generous supporter of the students and programs at Virginia Tech; and

**WHEREAS**, Union is a successful organization that has provided philanthropic funding to the university to include support for Virginia Tech Athletics and the community of student-athletes, and the Pamplin College of Business and student entrepreneurship; and

**WHEREAS**, Union has also made generous contributions to the renovation of English Field, the annual Union Innovation Challenge, and the Union Junior Faculty Fellow; and

**WHEREAS**, Union has been, and continues to be, a valued member of the university community; and

**WHEREAS**, to commemorate a common commitment to community, Union is investing in the future of Virginia Tech baseball and the Blacksburg baseball community by committing \$3.5 million, enabling the initiation of a multi-phased process that will ultimately equip Virginia Tech with a state-of-the-art, mixed-use facility to support an elite baseball program; and

**WHEREAS**, this mixed-used facility will feature:

- An architectural configuration that supports an unsurpassed fan experience by emphasizing intimacy in order to create a personalized environment for both fans and student-athletes;
- The Union Pavilion and concourse area with modern amenities that will include new concession platforms, a hospitality suite, and convenience facilities;
- Picnic and recreation areas surrounding the park to welcome families and promote community spirit;
- A new press box and premium seating;
- A modern clubhouse and locker room, which will house all facets of the program;
- A state-of-the-art video board and sound system to electrify the game environment and support community events such as summer concerts, outings, high school and American Legion baseball tournaments, and exhibitions; and

**WHEREAS**, these renovations will greatly enhance the fan experience, which will lead to increased attendance and an environment that rivals anything found in the region, creating a state-of-the-art facility that positions Virginia Tech for perennial success, both on the field and in the stands once renovations are complete;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that to commemorate a common commitment to community and in recognition of Union Bank's generosity, and in accordance with university policy, English Field will be re-named English Field at Union Park.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the above resolution renaming English Field to English Field at Union Park be approved.

March 21, 2016

**RESOLUTION ON NAMING AN INTERVIEW ROOM IN THE  
SMITH CAREER CENTER FOR FORD MOTOR COMPANY**

**WHEREAS**, Ford Motor Company has been a sustaining and generous supporter of the students and programs at Virginia Tech; and

**WHEREAS**, Ford Motor Company is a successful organization that has provided philanthropic funding to the university to include support for the Ford Blue Oval Scholarship, Hybrid-Electric Vehicle Challenge, BOLT Design Team, and Formula Car, and with considerable support provided to the Center for Injury Biomechanics and the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute (VTTI); and

**WHEREAS**, Ford Motor Company has also made generous contributions to the Mini-Baja project, Ware Lab Student projects, Center for the Enhancement of Engineering Diversity, Alex F. Giacco-Baird Professorship, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Crash Sled Laboratory, Research in Smart Isolators, Novel Optimal Design Methodology for Vehicle Safety, and Aerospace and Ocean Engineering; and

**WHEREAS**, Ford Motor Company has been, and continues to be, a valued member of the university community;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that in acknowledgement of the service and generosity of Ford Motor Company and in recognition of past and future benefits to the university, an interview room in the Smith Career Center will be known as the Ford Motor Company Interview Room for a period of ten (10) years commencing March 2016.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the above resolution naming the Ford Motor Company Interview Room for a period of ten (10) years, in accordance with university policy, be approved.

March 21, 2016

**RESOLUTION NAMING AN INTERVIEW ROOM IN THE  
SMITH CAREER CENTER FOR GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION**

**WHEREAS**, General Motors Corporation has been a sustaining and generous supporter of the students and programs at Virginia Tech; and

**WHEREAS**, General Motors Corporation is a successful organization that has provided philanthropic funding to the university to include support for the College of Engineering, Hybrid-Electric Vehicle Challenge, Ware Lab Student Projects, Mini-Baja, Center for the Enhancement of Engineering Diversity Scholarships, Competitive Robotics, Formula Car, and PACE Program, and with considerable support provided to the GM National Surface Transportation Safety Center for Excellence and the Virginia Tech Foundry Institute for Research and Education (VT-FIRE); and

**WHEREAS**, General Motors Corporation has also made generous contributions to the General Motors Diversity Scholarship, Science & Technology in Society, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Department of Chemical Engineering, the Engineering Corporate Scholarship, and Athletics; and

**WHEREAS**, General Motors Corporation has been, and continues to be, a valued member of the university community;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that in acknowledgement of the service and generosity of General Motors Corporation and in recognition of past and future benefits to the university, an interview room in the Smith Career Center will be known as the General Motors Corporation Interview Room for a period of ten (10) years commencing March 2016.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the above resolution naming the General Motors Corporation Interview Room for a period of ten (10) years, in accordance with university policy, be approved.

March 21, 2016

**RESOLUTION ON ADVANCING THE NAMING OF THE MARCHING VIRGINIANS CENTER AT VIRGINIA TECH FOR JAMES SOCHINSKI AND DAVID MCKEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Visitors approved a resolution in June 2014 to name the Marching Virginians Center for James Sochinski and David McKee with an effective date of one year subsequent to the retirement of former band director Sochinski and current band director McKee (whichever is later), as agreed upon by the donor; and

**WHEREAS**, the naming was made possible through the generosity of Michael J. Sciarrino, and the donor desires now to advance the naming of the center to ensure that the honorees are able to realize and celebrate this honor during their lifetimes; and

**WHEREAS**, advancing the naming will inspire and forever connect the current and former Marching Virginians Band members who comprise this unique fraternity of enthusiastic Hokie musicians;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Marching Virginians Center will be known henceforth as the Sochinski-McKee Marching Virginians Center.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the above resolution advancing the naming of the Sochinski-McKee Marching Virginians Center be approved, effective immediately.

March 21, 2016

**PREVIOUS RESOLUTION:**

**WHEREAS**, Michael J. Sciarrino graduated from Virginia Tech in 1984 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting and in 1986 with a Master's Degree in Accounting; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Sciarrino has had a successful and respected career in accounting and housing development and has served as a member of the Tampa Bay/Orlando Regional Campaign Committee for his alma mater; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael and Deborah Sciarrino have been recognized as members of the Ut Prosim Society for their philanthropy to the university with considerable support provided to the Marching Virginians Endowment and the Marching Virginians Practice Facility; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael and Deborah Sciarrino have made generous contributions to the Marching Virginians, the Pamplin College of Business and Athletics and have also made a substantial documented commitment in support of the Marching Virginians Practice Facility; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Sciarrino is a former member of the Marching Virginians and wishes to honor Dr. James Sochinski, Director of the Marching Virginians from 1976 to 1981, and Mr. David McKee, Director of the Marching Virginians from 1986 to the present; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael and Deborah Sciarrino have been, and continue to be, valued members of the university community;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that in acknowledgement of the service and generosity of Michael and Deborah Sciarrino, in recognition of past and future benefits to the university, and in honor of Dr. James Sochinski and Mr. David McKee, the Marching Virginians Practice Facility will be known as the Sochinski-McKee Marching Virginians Center once both Dr. Sochinski and Mr. McKee are retired from the university for one full year, whichever is later.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the above resolution naming the Sochinski-McKee Marching Virginians Center be approved.

June 2, 2014

**RESOLUTION ON NAMING THE INSTRUMENT ROOM IN THE  
MARCHING VIRGINIANS CENTER FOR THE FRED GIBSON FAMILY**

**WHEREAS**, Frederick C. Gibson graduated from Virginia Tech in 1978 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering; and

**WHEREAS**, Frederick C. Gibson has had a successful and respected career in the oil and gas industry and, with the participation and full support of his wife, Peggy S. Gibson, an important volunteer career to include service as a member of the Regional Campaign Committee for the *Campaign for Virginia Tech: Invent the Future*, and as an Alumni Chapter Leader; and

**WHEREAS**, Fred and Peggy Gibson have been recognized as members of the Ut Prosim Society for their philanthropy to the university to include support for the College of Engineering, the College of Science, Bioinformatics, and the Alumni Annual Fund, and with considerable support provided to the Marching Virginians Endowment and the Marching Virginians Practice Facility; and

**WHEREAS**, Fred Gibson has established a family legacy at Virginia Tech to include his son, Frederick Gibson, III ('06) and his daughter, Mara Gibson ('09), who have all been a part of the honored tradition of the Marching Virginians; and

**WHEREAS**, Fred and Peggy Gibson have been, and continue to be, valued members of the university community;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that in acknowledgement of the service and generosity of Fred and Peggy Gibson and in recognition of past and future benefits to the university, the instrument room of the Marching Virginians Center will be known as the Fred Gibson Family Instrument Room.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the above resolution naming the Fred Gibson Family Instrument Room be approved.

March 21, 2016

**RESOLUTION RE-NAMING THE TEAM UNITED LOCKER ROOM IN THE FOOTBALL PRACTICE FACILITY FOR COACH FRANK BEAMER '69**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Visitors approved a resolution to name the Team United Locker Room in March 2012 through the generosity of Win Sheridan, Brian Callaghan, Jeff Veatch and Ted Hanson who desired to honor head football coach Frank Beamer with a naming opportunity at that time; and

**WHEREAS**, the donors selected the alternate name of the Team United Locker Room in Coach Beamer's honor until his retirement; and

**WHEREAS**, Coach Frank Beamer has effectively retired from his role as the Virginia Tech Head Football Coach; and

**WHEREAS**, Win Sheridan, Brian Callaghan, Jeff Veatch, and Ted Hanson wish to proceed with applying Coach Beamer's name to the Football Players' Locker Room now that he has retired from his coaching duties;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Team United Player's Locker Room in the Football Practice Facility will be renamed and known henceforth as the Coach Frank Beamer Locker Room.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the above resolution renaming the Team United Locker Room to the Coach Frank Beamer Locker Room be approved.

March 21, 2016

**PREVIOUS RESOLUTION:**

**WHEREAS**, Frank Beamer '69 has led his alma mater's football program with distinction and class since 1987; and

**WHEREAS**, Frank Beamer led his alma mater to the 1999 BCS National Championship game and was tabbed the consensus 1999 national football coach of the year; and

**WHEREAS**, with 251 wins, Frank Beamer is the all-time winningest coach at Virginia Tech and the winningest active coach in NCAA history; and

**WHEREAS**, Frank Beamer has led his alma mater to 19 consecutive bowl games and since 2004 has been the only program in the country to post eight straight seasons of 10 wins or more; and

**WHEREAS**, Frank Beamer has led our football program to 4 ACC championships, 3 Big East titles, and 2 BCS bowl victories (Sugar and Orange); and

**WHEREAS**, Frank Beamer has been a major benefactor to the university and is a member of the prestigious Ut Prosim Society as a Senior Benefactor; and

**WHEREAS**, Frank Beamer is highly respected and held in deep esteem in his profession; and

**WHEREAS**, Frank Beamer has been a teacher, coach and mentor to many young men who have gone on to successful careers in the National Football League(NFL) and others who have been successful in their chosen careers; and

**WHEREAS**, Frank Beamer believes and recruits true student-athletes to Virginia Tech, as evidenced by the positive graduation rates of our football players; and

**WHEREAS**, Win Sheridan, Brian Callaghan, Jeff Veatch and Ted Hanson have collectively pledged \$750,000 to Virginia Tech Athletics as the requirement for the naming of the Player's Locker Room, and desiring to bestow honor and recognition to a man they feel has brought as much prestige and recognition to their alma mater as anyone in Virginia Tech's history; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that, in appreciation to Win Sheridan, Brian Callaghan, Jeff Veatch and Ted Hanson for their generosity towards Virginia Tech and the Department of Athletics and their desire to honor and recognize Coach Frank Beamer and his work with the Virginia Tech Football Program, that the Player's Locker Room in the new Football Locker Room facility be named the Team United Locker Room.

March 26, 2012

**RESOLUTION NAMING THE SECOND FLOOR ROBOTICS LABORATORY IN  
GOODWIN HALL FOR WENDY AND NORRIS E. MITCHELL '58**

**WHEREAS**, Norris E. Mitchell graduated from Virginia Tech in 1958 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Aerospace Engineering; and

**WHEREAS**, Norris E. Mitchell has had a successful and respected career in real estate and with the participation and full support of his wife, Wendy Mitchell, an extensive volunteer career to include service as a member of the President's Council Membership Committee, Regional Campaign Committee, Hokies for Higher Education, the Class of 1958 Reunion Planning Committee, the Engineering Committee of 100, and the Academy of Engineering Excellence; and

**WHEREAS**, Norris and Wendy Mitchell have been recognized as President's Circle members of the Ut Prosim Society for their philanthropy to the university to include support for the College of Engineering, the Mitchell Endowed Professorship, Aeronautical Engineering Class of 1958 Scholarship, and the Mitchell Memorial Scholarship and with considerable support provided to the College of Engineering's Goodwin Hall; and

**WHEREAS**, Norris and Wendy Mitchell have been, and continue to be, valued members of the university community;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that in acknowledgement of the service and generosity of Norris and Wendy Mitchell and in recognition of past and future benefits to the university, the second floor robotics laboratory of Goodwin Hall will be known as the Wendy and Norris E. Mitchell '58 Robotics Laboratory.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the above resolution naming the Wendy and Norris E. Mitchell '58 Robotics Laboratory be approved.

March 21, 2016

**RESOLUTION ON NAMING THE ENGINEERING EDUCATION  
ASSISTANT DEPARTMENT HEAD OFFICE FOR LINDA STEPHENSON WOOD '81**

**WHEREAS**, Linda Stephenson Wood graduated from Virginia Tech in 1981 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Engineering and Operations Research; and

**WHEREAS**, Linda Stephenson Wood has a successful and respected career in industry operations; and

**WHEREAS**, Linda Stephenson Wood has been recognized as a member of the Caldwell Society and the Legacy Society for her philanthropy to the university to include support for the College of Engineering, and with considerable support provided to Goodwin Hall; and

**WHEREAS**, Linda Stephenson Wood has also made generous contributions to the Virginia Tech Alumni Association, the College of Engineering, the Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering, and the Virginia Tech Athletic Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, Linda Stephenson Wood has been, and continues to be, a valued member of the university community;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that in acknowledgement of the service and generosity of Linda Stephenson Wood and in recognition of past and future benefits to the university, the engineering education assistant department head office, room 352, of Goodwin Hall, will be known as the Linda Stephenson Wood Engineering Education Assistant Department Head Office.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the above resolution naming the Linda Stephenson Wood Engineering Education Assistant Department Head Office be approved.

March 21, 2016