MINUTES
March 21, 2021

The ad hoc Selection Committee of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University met on Sunday, March 21, at 10:00 a.m in the Solitude Room at The Inn at Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Virginia.

Present
Edward H. Baine
Carrie H. Chenery
Greta J. Harris
C. T. Hill
Letitia A. Long (Vice Rector)
Melissa Byrne Nelson
Mehul P. Sanghani
Horacio A. Valeiras (Rector)
Jeff Veatch

Constituent Representatives:
Sabrina Sturgeon, Graduate Student Representative
Camellia Pastore, Undergraduate Student Representative

Also present were the following: Ms. Kim O’Rourke, Dr. Karen DePauw, and Dr. Frank Shushok. Five candidates whose names will remain confidential were interviewed individually.

Rector Valeiras convened the meeting and requested a motion to go into closed session.

Motion to Begin Closed Session

Ms. Long moved that the Selection Committee of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University Board of Visitors, convene in closed session pursuant to §2.2-3711, Code of Virginia, as amended, for the purpose of discussing:

Interview and consideration of student candidates for the graduate student representative and undergraduate student representative appointments to the 2020-21 Board of Visitors.

Pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(1), Code of Virginia, as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Valeiras and passed unanimously.

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Motion to Return to Open Session

Rector Valeiras called on Ms. Long to make the motion to return to Open Session. Ms. Long made the following motion:

WHEREAS, the Selection Committee of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provision of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Selection Committee of the Board of Visitors that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Selection Committee of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University hereby certifies that, to the best of each member’s knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Selection Committee of the Board of Visitors.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Hill and passed unanimously.

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The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Horacio A. Valeiras, Rector

Kim O'Rourke, Secretary