

RESOLUTION TO REAFFIRM THE VIRGINIA TECH MISSION FOR THE SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS COMMISSION ON COLLEGES

WHEREAS, the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors desires to acquire the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, to this end, the university has submitted a Significant Change prospectus to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) for their approval at their June, 2018 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the prospectus outlines the manner in which Virginia Tech will integrate the school into the university; and

WHEREAS, the SACSCOC requires that the university identify the ways in which the acquisition will or will not change or alter the university; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws of the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors, Article I, Section 6a, stipulate that the Executive Committee of the Board in the interim between meetings of the Board has full power to take actions on behalf of the Board and that all such actions taken by the Executive Committee are subject to ratification by the full Board at its next meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors reaffirms the university's mission:

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) is a public land grant university serving the Commonwealth of Virginia, the nation, and the world community. The discovery and dissemination of new knowledge are central to its mission. Through its focus on teaching and learning, research and discovery, and outreach and engagement, the university creates, conveys, and applies knowledge to expand personal growth and opportunity, advance social and community development, foster economic competitiveness, and improve the quality of life.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors affirms that the mission of the university is appropriate as written and requires no changes to accommodate the acquisition of the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the resolution reaffirming the mission of the university be approved.

March 13, 2018