

**STATE COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR VIRGINIA  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 10, 2011  
MINUTES**

Dr. Elrod called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. in the SCHEV main conference room, 101 N. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Richmond, Virginia. Council members present: Mimi Elrod, Mary Haddad, Jake Lutz

Council member absent: Joann DiGennaro

Staff present: Joe DeFilippo, Andy Fogarty, Carmen Johansen, Monica Osei, Lee Ann Rung, and Linda Woodley

Dr. Elrod reminded attendees that Ms. Magill reinstated the Academic Affairs Committee in September and this was the Committee's first meeting.

Dr. Elrod announced that due to the possibility of inclement weather, the items from the Academic Affairs Committee agenda would be addressed by the full Council following its briefing session on January 10 rather than addressing them at the January 11 meeting.

Dr. DeFilippo provided a liaison report and reviewed some of the functional statutory duties of SCHEV in the *Code of Virginia* with regard to approval procedures and certification of institutions. He addressed limitations on what can be considered when certifying institutions. Dr. DeFilippo distributed a copy of the section of the *Code* addressing this issue.

**ACTION ON PROGRAMS AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS**

Dr. DeFilippo presented information about the program and introduced representatives from Thomas Nelson Community College. On motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Ms. Haddad the following resolution was unanimously approved to be forwarded to the full Council:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia grants approval to Thomas Nelson Community College to initiate an Associate of Science (A.S.) in Information Technology degree (CIP: 11.0103) effective Spring, 2011.

**ACTION ON PRIVATE AND OUT-OF-STATE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION  
INSTITUTIONAL CERTIFICATIONS**

Dr. DeFilippo provided a brief summary of each program and noted one change to Geneva College's application summary. He distributed a revised sheet regarding Geneva College's surety instrument. On motion by Ms. Haddad and seconded by Mr. Lutz the following resolutions were unanimously approved to be forwarded to the full Council:

**BE IT RESOLVED that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia certifies American University to operate a postsecondary institution in the Commonwealth of Virginia, effective January 11, 2011.**

**BE IT RESOLVED that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia certifies Centra Schools of Nursing to operate a postsecondary institution in the Commonwealth of Virginia, effective January 11, 2011.**

**BE IT RESOLVED that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia certifies Geneva College to operate a postsecondary institution in the Commonwealth of Virginia, effective January 11, 2011.**

**BE IT RESOLVED that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia certifies International College of Naturopathic Medicine to operate a postsecondary institution in the Commonwealth of Virginia, effective January 11, 2011.**

**ACTION ON POLICY FOR "STATE-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVAL OF VARIOUS ACADEMIC PROGRAM ACTIONS AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS"**

Dr. Osei and Dr. Johansen were thanked for their input on this item. Dr. DeFilippo highlighted the substantial changes listed on page A16. Ms. Haddad thanked staff for making these changes. Staff was requested to develop a protocol for handling program disapprovals and to add the protocol to the policy and to return the revised document to the Committee for action in March.

Staff was also requested to include a qualitative summary of delegated items in future Academic Affairs Committee meetings before forwarding the items to the full Council.

**ACTION ON THE "UNIFORM CERTIFICATE OF GENERAL STUDIES GUIDANCE DOCUMENT"**

Dr. DeFilippo explained HB1066 and the intent of the bill. Ms. Haddad said she was very pleased with the document but expressed a desire to have a more aggressive timeframe so that students would not lose out on the opportunities afforded by the legislation. Dr. DeFilippo agreed to make an effort to compress the timeframe if possible. On motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Ms. Haddad the following resolution was unanimously approved to be forwarded to the full Council:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia approves the *“Uniform Certificate of General Studies Guidance Document”* and charges staff to follow the process described therein for implementing the requirements of Code of Virginia §23-9.6:1.20.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OFFICE OF PRIVATE AND OUT-OF-STATE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION (POPE)**

The Committee agreed to postpone review of this report to the January 11 full Council meeting.

**UPDATE FROM VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM (VCCS) ON NURSING EDUCATION AND STUDENT ADVISING**

In an effort to save time, it was requested that this item be presented to the full Council rather than first to the Academic Affairs Committee and then to the full Council. This was to allow the item to be removed from the January 11 Council agenda due to the possibility of inclement weather. At 3:15 p.m. the Academic Affairs Committee members were joined by Mr. Bland, Mr. Dyke, Ms. Magill, Mr. Minor, and Mr. Smith. Ms. Webb joined the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Dr. Glenn DuBois, VCCS Chancellor, provided an overview and introduced Dr. Susan Wood, Vice Chancellor, Academic Services and Research, and Dr. Craig Herndon, Special Assistant to the Chancellor. Dr. DuBois reviewed the VCCS mission and explained its market. He also reviewed the Achieve 2015 plan currently underway. Ms. Magill indicated that the Council hopes to meet in September at one of the community colleges to share more information.

Dr. Wood reviewed the nursing programs, the outcomes of each measure of the program, as well as productivity. Dr. Herndon reviewed the problem of student advising and discussed solutions, including the career coaches program and the Virginia Education Wizard. Ms. Haddad felt that students need to know about transfer agreements as they begin their course of study. Dr. Herndon indicated that the Wizard will track student progress and intervene for at-risk students. He indicated his hope that in the future the Wizard would be more prescriptive and provide intervention. VCCS staff was thanked for providing useful information and for providing a valuable service to students.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Academic Affairs Committee meeting adjourned at 3:55.

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Mimi M. Elrod  
Chair, Academic Affairs Committee

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Lee Ann Rung  
Manager, Executive & Council Affairs

**STATE COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR VIRGINIA  
JANUARY 10, 2011  
MINUTES**

Ms. Magill called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m. and indicated that the items from the Academic Affairs Committee would be addressed at this meeting in an effort to save time at the January 11 meeting due to the threat of inclement weather.

Council members present: Gilbert Bland, James Dyke, Mimi Elrod, Mary Haddad, Jacob Lutz, Susan Magill, G. Gilmer Minor, and Julious Smith.

Council members absent: Whittington Clement, Joann DiGennaro, Katharine Webb.

Staff members present: Joseph DeFilippo, Alan Edwards, Andrew Fogarty, and Lee Ann Rung.

Dr. Elrod was asked to provide a report on the Academic Affairs Committee items. It was decided that voting on the action items would be in block. On motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Ms. Haddad, the following resolutions were approved 8-0 (Mr. Dyke abstained):

**ACTION ON PROGRAMS AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS**

The Interim Vice President of Academic Affairs from Thomas Nelson Community College was introduced.

**BE IT RESOLVED that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia grants approval to Thomas Nelson Community College to initiate an Associate of Science (A.S.) in Information Technology degree (CIP: 11.0103) effective Spring, 2011.**

**ACTION ON PRIVATE AND OUT-OF-STATE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONAL CERTIFICATIONS**

Dr. DeFilippo distributed additional information regarding Geneva College related to its surety instrument. Mr. Mark Singer was in attendance to answer questions.

**BE IT RESOLVED that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia certifies American University to operate a postsecondary institution in the Commonwealth of Virginia, effective January 11, 2011.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia certifies Centra Schools of Nursing to operate a postsecondary institution in the Commonwealth of Virginia, effective January 11, 2011.

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**BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia certifies International College of Naturopathic Medicine to operate a postsecondary institution in the Commonwealth of Virginia, effective January 11, 2011.

**ACTION ON POLICY FOR “STATE-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVAL OF VARIOUS ACADEMIC PROGRAM ACTIONS AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS”**

It was decided to hold this item until the March meeting. Council members requested that staff provide additional information in this document to address programs not approved.

Staff was also requested to include a qualitative summary of delegated items in future Academic Affairs Committee meetings before forwarding the items to the full Council.

**ACTION ON THE “UNIFORM CERTIFICATE OF GENERAL STUDIES GUIDANCE DOCUMENT”**

There was some discussion about moving up the timeframe so that students would not lose out on the opportunities afforded by the legislation. Dr. DeFilippo agreed to make an effort to compress the timeframe if possible. The following resolution was unanimously approved:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia approves the “*Uniform Certificate of General Studies Guidance Document*” and charges staff to follow the process described therein for implementing the requirements of Code of Virginia §23-9.6:1.20.

**UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING FACULTY AWARDS (OFA)**

Dr. Elrod reported that the review committee chose 12 recipients from 29 finalists. The event will be held on February 17 and she encouraged all members to attend. Dr. DeFilippo and Ms. Covington were commended for their hard work in streamlining the OFA process.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Ms. Magill invited all members to attend the Executive Committee on January 11 at 8:30 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

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G. Gilmer Minor  
Council Secretary

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Lee Ann Rung  
Manager for Executive & Council Affairs

**STATE COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR VIRGINIA  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
JANUARY 11, 2011  
MINUTES**

Ms. Magill called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. in the SCHEV main conference room, James Monroe building, 9<sup>th</sup> floor, Richmond, Virginia. Council members present: Gilbert Bland, Joann DiGennaro, James Dyke, Mimi Elrod, Mary Haddad, Jacob Lutz, Susan Magill, G. Gilmer Minor, Julious Smith, and Katharine Webb.

Council member absent: Whittington Clement

Staff members present: Ellie Boyd, Tom Daley, Alan Edwards, Andrew Fogarty, and Lee Ann Rung. Jake Belue from the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) was also present.

**UPDATE ON AGENCY BUDGET**

Ms. Boyd provided a handout of FY2011 Total Appropriation & Actual Expenditures for the period ended December 31, 2010. Dr. Fogarty said this is the snapshot of the first year of the biennium. The second half will be included in his presentation at the full Council meeting that will address reductions on the agency budget.

Mr. Daley distributed SCHEV's General Fund appropriation changes for FY2009 and explained that the charts were produced because of requests from budget staff to show reductions to the agency budget and the severity of these reductions. He also provided a copy of a typical annual budget for the agency.

Ms. Magill indicated that an effort should be made to restore agency funding. She expressed concern about SCHEV's greatly increased role in the work of the Higher Education Commission, while receiving the largest budget reduction of any agency within the Education Secretariat.

There was some discussion about how to best champion SCHEV's cause and it was decided that staff would develop a short list of talking points that will be distributed immediately so that they could be used by members when visiting with legislators. Ms. DiGennaro and Ms. Webb offered to assist in this effort, but all members were encouraged to speak to legislators about the issue.

It was decided that SCHEV should advocate for the concepts of the Commission's work and stress that the needs of the Commission cannot be met without the work provided by SCHEV.

Ms. Magill will work with a small group of Council members and get back to the Council very soon for further assistance.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

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G. Gilmer Minor  
Secretary

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Lee Ann Rung  
Manager for Council and Executive Affairs

**STATE COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR VIRGINIA  
COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 11, 2011  
MINUTES**

Ms. Magill called the meeting to order at 9:20 a.m. in the SCHEV main conference room, James Monroe building, 9<sup>th</sup> floor, Richmond, Virginia. Council members present: Gilbert Bland, Joann DiGennaro, James Dyke, Mimi Elrod, Mary Haddad, Jacob Lutz, Susan Magill, G. Gilmer Minor, Julious Smith, and Katharine Webb.

Council member absent: Whittington Clement

Staff members present: Lee Andes, Beverly Covington, Tom Daley, Joe DeFilippo, Alan Edwards, Dan Hix, Kirsten Nelson, Lee Ann Rung. Jake Belue from the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) was also present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No requests for public comment were received.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion by Mr. Minor and seconded by Mr. Bland the minutes from the Council's October 26, 2010 meeting were unanimously approved as submitted.

**INTERIM DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Dr. Fogarty provided a brief overview of the agency, both historically and prospectively and reviewed the principal goals for the agency for the period July – December 2010.

Dr. Fogarty reported that due to budget constraints and disapproval of money to provide a consultant, the agency assessment that was recommended by Council could not be completed as planned.

Draft agency objectives for the period January – June 2011 were also reviewed. Dr. Fogarty briefly reviewed the Governor's proposed operating budget amendments that affect SCHEV, particularly the funding increase for the Tuition Assistance Grant (TAG).

**PRESENTATIONS FROM SVHEC/NCI/IALR CONSORTIUM**

Dr. Betty Adams provided an overview and indicated that Dr. Dorsey and Dr. Leightley would highlight the work of each higher education center and present ways

in which the Consortium is an effective model for higher education in Southside Virginia.

Dr. Adams said the Consortium model is well suited for the unique environment of southern Virginia but she felt a better job could be done to demonstrate ways in which the Consortium brings together public schools, businesses, community colleges, and higher education to bridge the gap in the three separate systems of higher education.

Dr. Dorsey provided the historical perspective of the New College Institute (NCI) and reported that the opinion of the NCI 2012 Commission was that NCI should focus on becoming a branch of an existing college or university within the Commonwealth. A copy of the NCI 2012 Commission Report was distributed.

Dr. Liam Leightley provided a presentation about the Institute for Advanced Learning and Research (IALR). He also provided an overview of a collaborative plan, referred to as the “Marshall Plan” for place bound students in central southern Virginia.

The presenters answered questions from members. After some discussion, it was decided that the members of the Consortium would develop a document demonstrating how SCHEV could help operationalize their ideas, and define the key role that SCHEV could play in helping to accomplish their mission. It was decided that once this document is developed, it would be further discussed in the Academic Affairs Committee.

## **BRIEFINGS AND DISCUSSIONS**

### *Update on Governor’s Introduced Budget*

Mr. Hix provided a handout showing the Governor’s introduced budget amendments and reviewed each of the items. He also informed the Council that the Finance Advisory Committee (FAC) is working to provide estimates to SCHEV on the tuition and fee-related revenues that will be lost from both Educational and General and Auxiliary Enterprise programs as part of the 5% salary savings needed to address the Virginia Retirement System needs identified in the Governor’s proposed budget.

### *Update on Pre-Filed Legislation*

Ms. Nelson distributed a list and provided an overview of pre-filed bills for the 2011 General Assembly session. She highlighted the bills of interest to higher education and provided information on potential legislation. In response to a request from members, Ms. Nelson agreed to find out if other states have bills related to illegal aliens attending college. She also agreed to develop a “key bill list” that will be shared with Council members weekly via email during the session.

## **REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Ms. Magill reported that the Executive Committee reviewed the agency budget.

## **REPORT FROM THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Ms. Magill reported that all items from the Academic Affairs Committee were reviewed and acted upon by the full Council following the January 10 briefing session due to the threat of inclement weather. For recording purposes, the following resolutions were approved by the Council at that meeting which followed the briefing session. Please see the minutes from the January 10 meeting for additional information:

### **ACTION ON PROGRAMS AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS**

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## **UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING FACULTY AWARDS (OFA)**

Dr. Elrod provided an update on the Outstanding Faculty Awards. This year 12 recipients were chosen from 29 finalists. The luncheon event is scheduled for February 17 and all were encouraged to attend. Dr. DeFilippo and Ms. Covington were commended for their hard work in streamlining the OFA process.

## **ITEMS DELEGATED TO STAFF**

Dr. DeFilippo reviewed the action items that Council has delegated to staff including: program actions, items reported, and organizational changes/off-campus instructional sites. As required, a list of the actions is attached to these minutes. Dr. DeFilippo answered questions from members. After some discussion, it was requested that in the future, the list of delegated items should be reviewed by the Academic Affairs Committee prior to review by the full Council.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Magill proposed a resolution commenting on the recommendations of the Higher Education Commission issued on December 3, 2010. A copy of the proposed resolution was distributed and read by Mr. Lutz. Minor edits were recommended and on motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Ms. DiGennaro the following resolution was unanimously approved by the Council:

**BE IT RESOLVED that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia commends the Governor's Commission on Higher Education Reform, Innovation and Investment for its comprehensive review of higher education in the Commonwealth and its forward-thinking Interim Report. The Council expresses gratitude to the SCHEV staff for its significant assistance and guidance in the preparation of the report. The State Council looks forward to providing continued strategic direction as the Commission's recommendations are considered and implemented through the legislative process.**

The resolution will be transmitted to the Governor, the Chairman of the Commission, and the Secretary of Education.

Talking points regarding the 6% reduction to the SCHEV agency budget were drafted by staff and distributed. It was also suggested that a list of additional important facts about the agency be developed to assist members when speaking with legislators. Members were asked to communicate with Ms. Nelson when meeting with legislators. Ms. Nelson also agreed to send members a list of key legislators serving on each of the important education committees.

Ms. Magill called for a short break at 11:35 a.m. The Council returned from break at 11:40 a.m.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Pursuant to § 2.2-3711 (A) (1) and § 2.2-3711 (A) (7) of the Code of Virginia, the Council voted to convene in closed session to discuss two items: consideration of prospective candidates for Interim Director and to receive legal advice from counsel concerning the Virginia Tuition Assistance Grant (TAG). Mr. Dyke recused himself from the discussion on TAG because he and his firm represent a client with interests in SCHEV's decision on the TAG issue. Mr. Lutz also recused himself from the TAG discussion because attorneys in his firm represent a client with interests in SCHEV's decision.

At approximately 12:35 p.m. the Council returned to open session. A roll call vote was taken on a motion certifying that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the executive session. The certification was unanimously approved by a vote of 7-0 and is attached to these minutes.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

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G. Gilmer Minor  
Secretary

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Lee Ann Rung  
Manager for Council and Executive Affairs

### Items Delegated to Director/Staff

Pursuant to the Code of Virginia, Section 23-9:6:1 and Council’s “Policies and Procedures for Program Approval and Changes,” the following items were approved as delegated to staff:

#### Program Actions

Institution	Degree/Program/CIP	Effective Date
James Madison University	Change the title of the Doctor of Psychology degree program in Clinical, Counseling and School Psychology (42.0101) to Doctor of Psychology in Clinical and School Psychology (42.0101).	Spring 2011
James Madison University	Spin-off Program Approved: Bachelor of Science degree program in Hospitality Management (52.0901) from the existing Bachelor of Business Administration in Hotel Restaurant Management (52.0901).	Spring 2011
Old Dominion University	Change the CIP Code of the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in English from 23.9999 to 23.1399.	Fall 2010
Thomas Nelson Community College	New Program Approved: Associate of Applied Science degree program in Human Services (51.1599)	Spring 2011
Virginia Commonwealth University	Change the CIP Code of the Master of Science degree program in Addiction Studies from 34.0104 to 51.1501.	Summer 2010
Virginia Commonwealth University	Change the name of the Bachelor of Arts degree program in Women’s Studies (05.0207) to the Bachelor of Arts in Gender, Sexuality and Women’s Studies (05.0207).	Spring 2011

Pursuant to the Code of Virginia, Section 23-9:6:1 and Council’s “Policies and Procedures for Program Approval and Changes,” the following items were reported:

Institution	Degree/Program/CIP	Effective Date
James Madison University	Discontinue the Bachelor of Science degree program in Hotel Restaurant Management (52.0901). [Program Approved: Date: April 4, 1974]	October 31, 2010

James Madison University	Discontinue the Master of Public Health (51.2201). degree program [Program Approved: Date: February 21, 2003]	December 13, 2010
Virginia Commonwealth University	Establish a Post-baccalaureate certificate in Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies (CIP Code: 05.0207)	Spring 2011

Pursuant to the Code of Virginia, Section 23-9:6:1 and Council's "Policies and Procedures for Internal and Off-Campus Organizational Changes," the following items were approved as delegated to staff:

### Organizational Changes / Off-campus Instructional Sites

Institution	Change / Site	Effective Date
George Mason University	Create the <b>Department of Nutrition and Food Studies</b> to establish a central administration location for degree and certificate programs.	July 1, 2011
George Mason University	Rename the Volgenau School of Information Technology and Engineering to the <b>Volgenau School of Engineering</b> .	January 1, 2011
George Mason University	Merge the Department of Molecular and Microbiology and the Department of Bioinformatics and Computational Biology to create the <b>School of Systems Biology</b> .	January 1, 2011
Norfolk State University	Merge the Department of Early Childhood/Elementary Education and the Department of Special Education to create the <b>Department of Early Childhood/Elementary/Special Education</b> .	November 1, 2010
Virginia Commonwealth University	Rename the Program (academic unit) in Patient Counseling to the <b>Department of Patient Counseling</b> .	January 3, 2011
Virginia Commonwealth University	Rename the Department of Women's Studies to the <b>Department of Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies</b> .	January 3, 2011
Virginia Commonwealth University	Rename the Department of Mechanical Engineering to the <b>Department of Mechanical and Nuclear Engineering</b> .	January 3, 2011
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	Rename the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies to the <b>Department of Religion and Culture</b> .	October 18, 2010
Virginia	Rename the Department of Forestry to the	October 18, 2010

Polytechnic Institute and State University	<b>Department of Forest Resources and Environmental Conservation.</b>	
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	Rename the Department of Theatre Arts to the <b>Department of Theatre and Cinema.</b>	October 18, 2010
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	Rename the College of Natural Resources to the <b>College of Natural Resources and Environment.</b>	October 18, 2010
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	Create the <b>Department of Population Health Sciences</b> to establish a central administration location for a degree program.	January 10, 2011

**RESOLUTION NO. 57**  
**MEETING DATE: January 11, 2011**

**CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE MEETING**

**WHEREAS**, the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia has convened an executive meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

**WHEREAS**, §2.2-3712 (D) of the *Code of Virginia* requires a certification by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia that such executive meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia hereby certifies that, to the best of each members' knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the executive meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the executive meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia.

**VOTE**

YES: 7 (Bland, DiGennaro, Elrod, Haddad, Magill, Minor, Smith)  
Ms. Webb was not present when the certification was read)

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G. Gilmer Minor  
Secretary  
State Council of Higher Education for Virginia