

**STATE COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR VIRGINIA  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
MARCH 21, 2011  
MINUTES**

Dr. Elrod called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in the Byrd-Morris Seminar Rooms, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Harrison Institute/Small Special Collections Library, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Committee members present: Mimi Elrod, Joann DiGennaro, Jake Lutz, and Susan Magill

Committee member absent: Mary Haddad

Staff members present: Joe DeFilippo, Andrew Fogarty, Monica Osei, Lee Ann Rung, and Linda Woodley. Jake Belue from the Office of the Attorney General was also in attendance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Ms. DiGennaro the minutes from the January 10, 2011 meeting were unanimously approved as submitted.

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

Ms. Woodley presented highlights from the POPE annual report. She provided numbers of certified institutions, enrollment information, and a breakdown of graduation/completion information. Ms. Woodley also informed members of the number of audits conducted over the last year and the number of constituent inquiries received. Among the POPE initiatives reported were the addition of POPE institution programs to the SCHEV degree inventory; the addition of dedicated phone lines to automate complaint and transcript requests; the review and revision of the POPE regulations; and submission of POPE institution enrollment and graduate information to the Governor's Higher Education Commission. Ms. Woodley also answered questions from members and was thanked by the members for the important work provided by the POPE section.

**ACTION ON PROGRAMS AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS**

Dr. DeFilippo introduced each program individually and Dr. Elrod thanked representatives from the institutions for attending. Dr. Osei answered questions

from members. On motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Ms. DiGennaro, the following resolution was unanimously approved to be forwarded to full Council:

**BE IT RESOLVED that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia grants approval to George Mason University to initiate a Master of Science (M.S.) degree program in Biomedical Sciences (CIP: 26.0102), effective fall 2011.**

**The Council stipulates that its authorization for the degree program would be rescinded if the agreement between George Mason University and Georgetown University is terminated by either party.**

There was some discussion on the following program from George Mason and the institution was applauded for its innovative ideas and for its collaboration in this effort. On motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Ms. DiGennaro 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 George Mason University to initiate a Master of Arts (M.A.) degree program in History of Decorative Arts (CIP: 50.0703), effective fall 2011.**

**The Council stipulates that its authorization for the degree program would be rescinded if the agreement between George Mason University and the Smithsonian Associates of the Smithsonian Institution is terminated by either party.**

Institutional representatives from Virginia Commonwealth University provided details to questions raised by members regarding the following program. Mr. Lutz moved, Ms. DiGennaro seconded, and 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 Virginia Commonwealth University to initiate a Master of Product Innovation (M.P.I.) degree program (CIP: 30.0000), effective fall 2011.**

### **INSTITUTIONAL CERTIFICATIONS**

Dr. DeFilippo provided background information on staff's recommendation. While Star Institute is not required to have SCHEV certification because its programs are overseen by the Board of Nursing, the institution is seeking certification so that its students can qualify for Title IV financial aid. In response to a question raised, Dr. DeFilippo agreed to provide information to the Committee members with regard to the number of nursing schools in Virginia.

On motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Ms. DiGennaro 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 certifies Star Institute to operate a postsecondary institution in the Commonwealth of Virginia, effective March 22, 2011.**

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

Dr. DeFilippo reminded members that this item was a carryover from the January meeting when staff was asked to include a provision for non-approval of programs. A clause has been added on page 6 of the policy and was read by Dr. DeFilippo. He explained that he will confer with the Academic Affairs Committee chair and in consultation with the chair's recommendations, decide whether or not a non-approved program requires additional input from the institution before bringing it to the Committee. Ms. DiGennaro thanked Dr. DeFilippo for adding this information to the policy and indicated that it will be very helpful to new members. It was decided that withdrawn programs would be included in the delegated items report in the future. On motion by Ms. DiGennaro and seconded by Mr. Lutz 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 updated policy "State-Level Requirements for Approval of Various Academic Program Actions at Public Institutions," effective April 1, 2011.**

**ANNUAL PROGRAM PRODUCTIVITY/VIABILITY REVIEW**

Dr. DeFilippo explained the process and the timing of conducting the reviews. There was some discussion among the members, and Ms. DiGennaro expressed concern with a stipulation included in the original version of the resolution granting an exemption for the MA in Philosophy. The stipulation specified that the institution should track placement of program graduates. She felt that if one discipline is to be tracked it should be done for others as well. Mr. Lutz indicated that while he agreed with the resolution as proposed, he suggested removing this stipulation. On motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Ms. DiGennaro, the following revised 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 following degree program actions:**

- A. Grant exemption for the BA in Latin American Studies, based on the interdisciplinary nature of the program.**
- B. Grant exemption for the MA in Justice, Law and Policy based on revised enrollment data demonstrating that the program meets viability standards.**
- C. Grant exemption for the MA in Philosophy due to positive enrollment trends.**

### **ITEMS DELEGATED TO STAFF**

Dr. DeFilippo reviewed the items and reminded the members that staff has been authorized by Council policy to approve certain items without bringing them to Council. Among those staff-delegated approvals are applied associate degrees from community colleges, because these are typically workforce related and require immediate approval. He explained the difference between simple and complex organizational changes and reminded the committee that staff approves only simple organizational changes.

### **LIAISON REPORT**

Dr. DeFilippo informed the Committee about revised federal regulations pertaining to Title IV that will affect institutions. The regulations were sent to institutions in October but were ambiguous and institutions were awaiting clarification. Late last week letters were issued which provided a better explanation of the new regulations. Dr. DeFilippo indicated that in order to comply, some actions will be required by Council and a possibility exists that legislation may be required next session to address some of the requirements in the new regulations. SCHEV may need to take action to authorize all exempt institutions by name. The regulations also contain stipulations about handling student complaints from all institutions, including those not regulated by SCHEV. Staff will develop a proposal to bring to the Council in May or July that will address Virginia's alignment with requirements of the new regulations.

Dr. DeFilippo provided a copy of a request from the General Assembly Commission on Youth chaired by Senator Yvonne Miller. The Commission on Youth has requested SCHEV to examine course offerings at Virginia institutions for consistency with its report "Collection of Evidence-Based Practices for Children and Adolescents with Mental Health Treatment Needs, 4<sup>th</sup> Ed." Dr. DeFilippo may set up a working group to examine the report and compare it to programs that train psychologists, social workers, and anyone treating youth with mental health needs. Dr. DeFilippo agreed to keep the Council apprised.

Dr. DeFilippo reported that he and Paula Fisher, the newly hired Project Director for the College Access Challenge Grant (CACG), attended a national meeting of

CACG project directors to provide technical assistance to states and help them develop more robust and sustainable programs. Dr. DeFilippo indicated that SCHEV's CACG program has contracted with a Virginia Tech research group to do a study on adult completion programs, which will be a focus of future grant activities. The study will be shared with Council when completed.

Staff intends to report on implementation of Council's assessment policy in May.

The Richmond Memorial Health Foundation is pursuing a grant sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to create more efficient pathways in nursing education. While SCHEV currently has minimal staff resources available, Dr. DeFilippo indicated that he has written a letter of support for the application and has committed SCHEV to do an evaluation of the program if the grant is awarded.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

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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  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 22, 2011  
MINUTES**

Ms. Magill called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. in the Harrison Institute/Small Special Collections Library Byrd-Morris Seminar Rooms, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia. Council members present: Gil Bland, Whittington Clement, Jim Dyke, Joann DiGennaro, Mimi Elrod, Jake Lutz, Susan Magill, and Julious Smith. Staff member present: Andrew Fogarty. Jake Belue from the Office of the Attorney General was also present.

A motion was made and seconded to convene in closed session pursuant to Sec 2.2-3711(1) for discussion of personnel matters, specifically the appointment of an Interim Director. The committee voted unanimously in favor of convening in closed session.

The Council reconvened in open session at approximately 9:05 a.m. 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 8-0 and is attached to these minutes.

The meeting was immediately thereafter adjourned.

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Gilbert T. Bland  
Vice Chair

**RESOLUTION NO. 59**  
**MEETING DATE: March 22, 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:           8       (Bland, Clement, DiGennaro, Dyke, Elrod, Lutz, Magill, Smith)

NAYS:         0

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Gilbert Bland  
Vice Chair  
State Council of Higher Education for Virginia

**STATE COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR VIRGINIA  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 22, 2011  
MINUTES**

Ms. Magill called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. in the Harrison Institute/Small Special Collections Library Auditorium, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia. Council members present: Gilbert Bland, Whittington Clement, Joann DiGennaro, James Dyke, Mimi Elrod, Jacob Lutz, Susan Magill, and Julious Smith.

Council members absent: Mary Haddad, G. Gilmer Minor, and Katharine Webb

Staff members present: Lee Andes, Tom Daley, Joe DeFilippo, Alan Edwards, Andrew Fogarty, Dan Hix, Tod Massa, Kirsten Nelson, Lee Ann Rung, and Linda Woodley. Jake Belue from the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) was also present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No requests for public comment were received in advance of the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Dr. Elrod the following minutes were unanimously approved as submitted:

- January 10, 2011 Council meeting
- January 11, 2011 Council meeting
- January 11, 2011 Executive Committee meeting
- February 25, 2011 Search Committee meeting

**REMARKS BY PRESIDENT SULLIVAN**

President Sullivan welcomed the Council members and staff and provided information about the Harrison Institute/Small Collections Library in which the meeting was being held. The collection consists of approximately 3300 items from Thomas Jefferson, including drawings of the university, letters, documents, and early printings of the Declaration of Independence. The university owns two of the original 26 copies of the Declaration of Independence. The library also houses photos of past presidents of the university. A selection of rare materials in the welcome center was made available to members following the meeting.

Dr. Sullivan said the university is pursuing initiatives that align with the TJ21 legislation, including increasing enrollment in STEM degrees. She indicated that the

largest single major at the University of Virginia (UVA) is biology. Other initiatives underway include a 3+1 Bachelors + Masters plan (the average UVA freshman enters with 18 credits), increasing use of its facilities year-round (Dr. Sullivan has agreed to teach one January term), and increasing technology-enhanced education and programs for adult learners (an option to complete degrees on a part-time basis). UVA's "PRODUCED in Virginia" undergraduate engineering program is offered online in partnership with the Virginia Community College System. Dr. Sullivan emphasized the obligation of UVA to partner with communities to serve the public good. Her vision reflects the founding principles of the university – to educate students to use knowledge, awareness, and training to achieve democracy. She will work with senior leadership to sustain the ongoing efforts being undertaken at the university. Dr. Sullivan commended the Council for its work in advancing higher education in the Commonwealth.

## **INTRODUCTIONS**

Dr. Gwen Lee-Thomas, Assistant Professor, Higher Education Graduate Programs at the Darden College of Education at Old Dominion University was introduced and welcomed, along with 21 of her students who were in attendance.

## **BRIEFINGS AND DISCUSSIONS**

### *Update on General Assembly Budget Actions*

Mr. Hix provided a revised handout comparing the Governor's introduced budget amendments and the conference report. He briefly reviewed each item and answered questions from members.

Mr. Hix thanked Leonard Sandridge, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at UVA, for his many years of great counsel and dedication to higher education and wished him well in his retirement. The Council members joined him in congratulating Mr. Sandridge and thanked him for his service to the higher education community.

### *Update on 2011 Legislation*

Ms. Nelson distributed a list and provided an overview of important bills from the 2011 General Assembly session. Her review included bills that passed the session as well as those that failed related to higher education, financial aid, military/veteran participation, and campus safety.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

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

Presentation of Annual Report of the Office of Private and Out-of-State Postsecondary Education (POPE)

Dr. Elrod reported that Ms. Woodley presented an overview and summary of the past year's activities and statistics to the committee, which was very informative. Copies of the presentation were provided to all members.

Action on Programs at Public Institutions

Dr. Elrod introduced representatives from George Mason University and indicated that the committee had a good discussion of the programs listed below. All were recommended for approval by the Academic Affairs Committee. On motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Ms. DiGennaro the following resolutions were unanimously approved by the Council:

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Action On Private And Out-Of-State Postsecondary Institutional Certifications

Dr. Elrod said Star Institute had fulfilled the SCHEV requirements to operate in the Commonwealth. On motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Mr. Clement the following resolution was unanimously approved by the Council:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia certifies Star Institute to operate a postsecondary institution in the Commonwealth of Virginia, effective March 22, 2011.

Action On Policy For "State-Level Requirements For Approval Of Various Academic Program Actions At Public Institutions"

Dr. Elrod reminded members that at the January meeting staff was asked to include programs not approved and said staff had addressed this item in the revised policy. On motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Mr. Smith the following resolution was unanimously approved by the Council:

**BE IT RESOLVED that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia approves the updated policy “State-Level Requirements for Approval of Various Academic Program Actions at Public Institutions,” effective April 1, 2011.**

*Action On Annual Program Productivity/Viability Review*

Dr. Elrod asked Dr. DeFilippo to provide an overview of the review process for recently approved degree programs. Twenty eight programs were subject to review this year, and three did not meet the standards as stated in the resolution. It was noted that the Academic Affairs Committee deleted the stipulation included in the original version of the resolution granting an exemption for the MA in Philosophy. Ms. DiGennaro stated for the record her feeling that when tracking placement of programs’ graduates, many more programs other than just Philosophy should be included. She felt that especially in this economy, the value of the classics, liberal arts should not be denigrated. Mr. Lutz indicated that the committee had a robust discussion on this matter but agreed to the revised resolution presented. On motion by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Ms. DiGennaro the following resolution was unanimously approved by the Council:

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*Update On Outstanding Faculty Awards (OFA)*

Dr. Elrod provided an update on the Outstanding Faculty Awards. A photo montage of the event played in the background as she provided details of the February 17 event. Staff and members who participated were thanked for their contributions. Dr. Elrod emphasized the importance of this event and encouraged members to participate in next year’s awards. Dr. Elrod was thanked for her years of contribution in chairing the OFA Final Selection Committee.

**OVERVIEW OF VALLEY FORGE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE, WOODBRIDGE CAMPUS'S APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TUITION ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM (TAG)**

At approximately 10:05 a.m. Ms. Magill made a motion and read a statement to adjourn into closed session pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(7) to receive advice from legal counsel concerning the Valley Forge application. For the record, the following members recused themselves from the closed session discussion and left the room due to their law firms' involvement in the issue: James Dyke, Jake Lutz, and Julious Smith. Those members who recused themselves from the closed session also recused themselves from any participation in matters concerning Valley Forge before the Council.

At approximately 10:50 a.m. the Council reconvened in open session and 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 5-0 and is attached to these minutes.

Ms. Magill offered the representatives from Valley Forge Christian College (VFCC) as well as the Council of Independent Colleges in Virginia (CICV) opportunities to address the Council. Mr. Dyke and Mr. Smith were present but not participating. Mr. Lutz was not present.

Representing VFCC, Mr. Tony Troy presented reasons why in his legal opinion, the Council should dismiss the staff recommendation to reject VFCC's application for TAG. Mr. William Hurd said he received notice of the staff recommendation on March 17. Since then, he has sent two letters to the Council outlining why he believes the recommendation is flawed. He mentioned new legislation passed in the 2011 General Assembly and that, if the legislation is signed into law, it will provide narrower standards than what are currently in the statute. He requested that, if the Governor signs the legislation, VFCC be given a chance to come into compliance before July 1. He indicated that the TAG program was put into statute not to help institutions but to help Virginia students.

Dr. Bill Baker, Dean of Operations and Services at VFCC and Dr. Vince McLaughlin, Academic Dean for Biblical Studies and Languages also provided their views. Dr. McLaughlin introduced several students and faculty from VFCC and said they were in attendance to advocate for students' and families' ability to fulfill the dream of a college education.

Mr. Robert Lambeth from CICV spoke on behalf of his member colleges, most of which he said are small colleges as well. He stated that the current regulations indicate that VFCC does not qualify for TAG and that compliance with the SCHEV regulations was the item before the Council. He felt the staff recommendations were appropriate and requested that the Council support those recommendations.

Mr. Hurd asked Council to consider carrying over action on this item to May.

Discussion among the Council members followed, with Ms. DiGennaro expressing her feeling that if either party believed more information should be forthcoming, it would be appropriate to table this action until May. She said that in fairness to both parties she would like more time to digest the information.

Mr. Clement did not feel the Council would get any additional information by tabling the issue until May, and he felt the only possible reason to delay might be to have more members of the Council present. Ms. Magill was concerned about those members who were unable to attend the meeting, but felt sufficient information was available to make a decision at this meeting.

Ms. Magill read the following resolution and moved its adoption. Ms. DiGennaro indicated her disagreement with the proposed action and a roll call vote was taken. The following resolution was approved on a vote of 4-1 (Dr. Elrod, Mr. Clement, Mr. Bland, and Ms. Magill in favor; Ms. DiGennaro against) and two abstentions (Mr. Dyke and Mr. Smith). As noted above, Mr. Lutz was not present for the vote:

**BE IT RESOLVED that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia does not approve the Virginia Tuition Assistance Grant Program application of Valley Forge Christian College – Woodbridge Campus because the institution is not an in-state institution.**

**Further, Council directs staff to review TAG regulations and make recommendations, as appropriate, to ensure that the regulations are consistent with the Code of Virginia.**

Mr. Lutz returned to the meeting following this vote at approximately 11:25 a.m.

### **ITEMS DELEGATED TO STAFF**

The list of delegated items was reviewed by the Academic Affairs Committee as requested in the January meeting. As required, a list of the actions is attached to these minutes.

### **INTERIM DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Via a slideshow presentation, Dr. Fogarty provided an overview of the budget actions related to SCHEV from the 2011 General Assembly session and his recommendations for Council's consideration as it moves forward, including the importance of Council members to continue to reach out to colleges, legislators, and members of the Higher Education Commission. He suggested the use of smaller groups of members to discuss matters in detail before being taken up by the full Council, noting that the reinstatement of the Academic Affairs Committee is a good

start. Dr. Fogarty also suggested establishing a separate committee of the Council to work with the community colleges and felt that the Chancellor would applaud this effort. With regard to interaction with the private colleges, he suggested that members spend more time dealing with both non-profit and for-profit institutions as they explore ways to reach out to adult learners. Dr. Fogarty stressed that many elements in the framework of the Top Jobs (TJ21) legislation are connected to the Council and its staff, and that these elements will be more fully realized in the coming months. He also contemplated the multiple and varied challenges ahead for the next General Assembly session and the years ahead.

Dr. Fogarty thanked members and staff for their assistance during his tenure. Mr. Dyke expressed his hope that the Council will take action on the recommendations made by Dr. Fogarty.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Magill asked the Council Vice Chair to read a resolution recognizing Dr. Fogarty. Mr. Bland described Dr. Fogarty as a very uniquely qualified individual – the right person at the right time— who has led SCHEV with great energy through the General Assembly session. The following resolution was read by the Vice Chair and unanimously approved by the Council:

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Andrew Fogarty has served as an exemplary Interim Director of the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia from August 2010 to April 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Fogarty provided outstanding leadership to the Council and its staff as well as to Virginia's public and private four-year institutions and community colleges; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Fogarty took a very active role in building consensus and strengthening productive relationships among the Council and its staff, the institutions of higher education, and the state legislature; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Fogarty's expertise in management, budget policy, and the state legislative process served the Council exceptionally well in presenting policy and budget recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly; and

**WHEREAS**, his diligent work with the members of the 2011 General Assembly has resulted in a growing respect for the role of SCHEV and the continuation of SCHEV's essential work with the Commission on Higher Education Reform, Innovation and Investment; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia expresses its sincere gratitude and appreciation to Dr. Andrew B. Fogarty for his commitment, distinguished service, and numerous contributions to higher education in Virginia, and extends to him best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.

Ms. Magill concluded by saying that she could not thank Dr. Fogarty enough for his leadership of the agency during this critical time in Virginia higher education. She also thanked him for the good wisdom contained in his recommendations and wished him well on his departure and his future.

## **REPORT OF SEARCH COMMITTEE**

Mr. Bland made read the following motion from the Search Committee:

**I move that Council appoint Peter Blake as Interim Director of the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia effective April 1, 2011, and further move that the Chair be authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Mr. Blake consistent with terms discussed in closed session.**

The motion was seconded by Mr. Lutz and unanimously approved by the Council. Mr. Bland introduced Mr. Blake and thanked the search committee for its work. Mr. Blake expressed his interest in working with the Council members and others in addressing the challenges that lie ahead.

Mr. Dyke acknowledged and congratulated the Virginia teams in the men's and women's NCAA and NIT basketball tournaments, noting that the Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) and the University of Richmond (UR) men's teams had advanced to the NCAA "Sweet 16" and that the UVA women's team had made the WNIT "Sweet 16." Good luck was wished to all.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for May 16-17 at Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, Virginia. The May 16 meeting will be the annual Private College Advisory Board meeting.

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Gilbert Bland  
Vice Chair

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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
George Mason University	Change the CIP Code of the Bachelor of Science degree program in Applied Computer Science from 11.0199 to 11.0701.	Spring 2011
George Mason University	Change the CIP Code of the Master of Science degree program in Computer Forensics from 11.9999 to 43.0116.	Spring 2011
George Mason University	Change the CIP Code of the Bachelor of Science degree program in Information Technology from 14.9999 to 11.0103.	Spring 2011
George Mason University	Change the CIP Code of the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in Information Technology from 14.9999 to 11.0103.	Spring 2011
George Mason University	Change the CIP Code of the Master of Science degree program in Telecommunications from 09.9999 to 11.0901.	Spring 2011
James Madison University	Change the CIP Code of the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in Combined Integrated Clinical, Counseling and School Psychology from 42.0101 to 42.2801.	Spring 2011
James Madison University	Correction: Change the title of the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in Combined Integrated Clinical, Counseling and School Psychology to Combined Integrated Clinical and School Psychology.	Not applicable
Northern Virginia Community College	New Program Approved: Associate of Applied Science degree program in Occupational Therapy Assistant (51.0803)	Fall 2012

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:

<b>Institution</b>	<b>Degree/Program/CIP</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
College of William and Mary	Initiate the Graduate Certificate program in Global Enterprise Management Program (52.0201).	Summer 2011
James Madison University	Discontinue the Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science degree program in Social Science (45.0101). [Program Approved: Date: Unknown]	May 2011
Virginia Commonwealth University	Change the CIP Code of the undergraduate Certificate program in Product Innovation from 30.9999 to 30.0000.	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**

<b>Institution</b>	<b>Change / Site</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
George Mason University	Rename the Institute for Conflict Analysis and Resolution to the <b>School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution.</b>	July 1, 2011

**RESOLUTION NO. 60**  
**MEETING DATE: March 22, 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:           5       (Bland, Clement, DiGennaro, Elrod, Magill)

NAYS:         0

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Gilbert Bland  
Vice Chair  
State Council of Higher Education for Virginia