### **APPROVED BY COMMITTEE 11/18/19**

## OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY BOARD OF VISITORS Executive Committee Meeting Monday, March 18, 2019

# **MINUTES**

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Old Dominion University Board of Visitors was held on Monday, March 18, 2019, at 12:00 Noon in the Board Room of the Kate and John R. Broderick Dining Commons. Present from the Committee were:

#### **RECTOR'S REPORT**

The Rector acknowledged Athletic Director Wood Selig and congratulated the men's basketball team for winning the Conference USA Championship. Dr. Selig said that the NCAA game is scheduled for Thursday at 9:52 p.m. in Hartford, CT, and will be aired on TBS. If anyone is interested in attending the game, he or she should contact him directly.

Rector Smith also noted that Vice Rector Kay Kemper is listening in on the meeting via telephone, but because of FOIA requirements, cannot participate or be noted as present at the meeting.

#### **BUDGET UPDATE**

Vice President DuBois provided the 2020 tuition and fees and budget planning update and outlined the key budget planning dates. He noted that a public notice of the administration's proposed FY2020 tuition & fees must be published at least 30 days in advance of the meeting at which the Board will be asked to approve the proposal. That notice will go out on Wednesday, March 20, for the April 25<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

He reviewed the Conference Committee budget actions for E&G programs, financial aid, compensation and capital. \$3.1M in tuition moderation funding is included if tuition and mandatory E&G fees for in-state undergraduates are held to 2019 rates. Institutions are required to develop tuition and fee transparency and predictability plans for in-state undergraduate students for a minimum of three years including a range of options, but must include \$0 in new general

to a question from the Rector, Vice President DuBois stated that ODU's portion of the fund is on the low end, both in absolute terms and by student FTE, but this will help the conversation next year.

Base E&G operating needs for FY20 total \$8.6M and projected E&G base resources of \$8.7M include a proposed 5% tuition increase for out-of-state and graduate students. An increase in the technology-delivered course fee from \$20 to \$30 per credit hour is being proposed to generate additional revenue to offset the freeze on mandatory fees. This additional revenue would support technology needs and enable tuition revenue to be reallocated to support other needs of the institution. A decrease in revenue from projected credit hour fluctuations has also been taken into account in the planning model.

In order to fund a projected \$1.8M need in auxiliaries, a 3.4% auxiliary student fee increase, coupled with some strategic budget reductions, are being proposed. Other budget considerations under discussion include a proposed room and board increase of \$183 per semester, a student health fee increase of \$10 per semester, a \$2 per semester transportation fee increase, and a new \$2 auxiliary ID card fee.

Vice President DuBois reviewed the next steps to be taken. Public notice of the proposed FY2020 Tuition & Fees will be sent out on March 20. The Tuition & Fee recommendation will be presented to the Board for approval at the meeting on April 25. Development of the Proposed Operating Budget & Plan will take place between April 26 and May 27, and will be presented to the Board for approval at the June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

At the conclusion of his presentation, Mr. Mugler encouraged the administration to consider a salary increase for wage employees. Mr. Tata asked what the cost to undergraduate students will be without the tuition and mandatory fee increase, but taking into account the increase in the non-mandatory fees. For an in-state undergraduate student who is not living in a residence hall, the total annual increase would be \$148. A 3% tuition increase would cost a similar student approximately \$300 per year in addition to the proposed increase in non-mandatory fees. The message to the students is that they will save money by the administration accepting the deal offered by the State. The administration believes it is prudent to accept the State's proposal.

## **OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Rector asked for suggestions for the April meeting agenda.

#### NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to come before the Committee

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:21 p.m.