# OLD DOMINON UNIVERSITY BOARD OF VISITORS Student Enhancement and Engagement Committee Thursday, June 9, 2016

#### MINUTES

The Student Enhancement and Engagement Committee of the Board of Visitors met on Thursday, June 9, at 11 a.mm the River Rooms of Webb University Centern the Norfolk campus Present from the committee were:

Lisa B. Smith, Chair
Richard Cheng, Vice Chair
Ronald C. Ripley (exofficio)
Yvonne T. Allmond
Carlton F. Bennett
Donna L. Scassera
Robert M. Tata
Fred J. Whyte
Petra SzonyegiStudent Representative)

# Also present were:

Austin Agho Scott Harrison
John Cawley Ellen Neufeldt
Jane Dane Brian Payne
Christopher Fleming James Wright
Rhonda Harris

Lisa Smithcalled the session to order at 11:1a.m.

## I. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 21, 2016 MINUTES

Carlton Bennett moved to approve the minutes of the pril 21, 2016 meeting and Yvonne Allmond seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved by all members present and voting.

# II. REPORT OF VICERESIDENT OF STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND ENROLLMENT SERVICES

Dr. Ellen Neufeldt reported on student activism, inclusion and mental health, and there was a discussion about what is taking place at Old Dominion. A national survey revealed that students need more financial aid, many students are working, the student body is more ethnically and racially diverse, there is a demand for stackable degrees, and students are older on average. Dr. Neufeldt reported that students want ODU to be more inclusive.

Ongoing education programs will continue in social justice, bystander intervention and sexual violence prevention. In the area of gender inclusion, ODU has added gender neutral restrooms to campus, is piloting gender inclusive housing this year, and working with the student information system to allow students to enter their preferred name. Dr. Neufeldt also covered student mental health issues and reviewed the case management and care team intervention model at ODU.

### III. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Petra Szonyegi thanked the members of the Board for selecting her as the next Student Representative to the Board of Visitors of Old Dominion UniversityShe reported on recent programs that students have participated in on and off campus, all of which reflect in one way or another a theme of "unity." ODU hosted Relay for Life, and 120 teams participated with 770 registered participates and nearly \$50,000 raised for the American Cancer Society. The Third Annual Virginia Leadership Academy Conference, an intensive three-day leadership academy for 120 student leaders from across the Commonwealth of Virginia, was hosted at Old Dominion. ODU Model UN members organized a tripol traveled to New York City to represent the University at the United Nations and intend to integrate what they learned during the 20162017 academic year.

### IV. SECURITY UPDATE

Chief Harris reviewed the Clery statistics in the dashboards.

### V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:17 pm.