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OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF VISITORS  
Academic and Research Advancement Committee Minutes  
Thursday, September 12, 2024

MINUTES

A meeting of the Academic and Research Advancement Committee of the Board of Visitors of Old Dominion University was held on Thursday, September 12, 2024, from 1:45 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. in the Board of Visitors Room in the Kate and John R. Broderick Dining Commons on the Norfolk campus. Present from the Committee were:

Stacey Purcell  
Chad Reed  
Nina Rodriguez Gonser  
September Sanderlin  
Ashley Schumaker  
Amanda Skaggs  
Bonnie Van Lunen

The meeting was called to order by the Chair: 5:52 p.m.

#### I. APPROVAL OF THE June 13, 2024, MINUTES

Upon a motion made by Mr. Ellmer and seconded by Mr. Pitts the minutes of the June 13, 2024, meeting were approved by unanimous vote (Ayes: Hodge, Ellmer, Montero, Pitts, Thompson, Wyatt; Nays: None)

#### II. CLOSED SESSION

The Chair recognized Mr. Wyatt, who read the following motion: "Mister Chair, I move that this meeting be recessed, as permitted by Virginia Code Section 2-211 (A) (1), we reconvene in closed session for the purpose of discussing recommendations for the initial appointment of five faculty members with tenure, an appointment of a Batten Endowed Chair, a Beazley Named

of Supply Chain, Logistics, and Maritime Operations by unanimous vote (Hodge, Ellmer, Montero, Pitts, Thompson, Wyatt; Nays: None).

Upon a motion made by Mr. Pitts and seconded by Mr. Ellmer the committee approved the appointment of Jeffrey Ferguson as Professor of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering with tenure and designation the Dean of the Batten College of Engineering and Technology by unanimous vote (Ayes: Hodge, Ellmer, Montero, Pitts, Thompson, Wyatt; Nays: None).

Upon a motion made by Mr. Pitts and seconded by Mr. Ellmer the committee approved the appointment of Lobat Tayeb as Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering with tenure the appointment as Batten Endowed Chair in the Batten College of Engineering and Technology, and designation as inaugural Director of the Institute for Engineering in Medicine, Health and Human Performance by unanimous vote (Ayes: Hodge, Ellmer, Montero, Pitts, Thompson, Wyatt; Nays: None).

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foundation and early growth of the office and laid out the expectations for the office over the next two years.

Ken Fridley, Vice President for Research & Economic Development provided an overview of the Research and Development portfolios of ODU and EVMS over the last few fiscal years as a preview of what our collective portfolio will look like post integration.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.