



**VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF VISITORS
BOV SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
March 3, 2023
James Branch Cabell Library
901 Park Avenue – Room 303
Richmond, Virginia**

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. H. Benson Dendy III, *Rector*

Ms. Carolina Espinal, *Chair, virtual pursuant to Code Section 2.2-3708.3(B)(3) where the member's principal residence is over 60 miles from the meeting location – Arlington, VA*

Mr. Todd Haymore, *Secretary*

Dr. Tonya Parris-Wilkins

Dr. Fotis Sotiropoulos, *Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs*

Dr. Aaron Hart, *Vice President for Student Affairs*

OTHERS PRESENT

Ms. Chelsea Gray, *Executive Director of Board and Executive Operations*

Ms. Stephanie Hamlett, *University Counsel*

Members of the Media via livestream

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. H. Benson Dendy III, Rector, called the meeting to order at 11:38 a.m. The public was able to view the open session of the meeting via livestream at <https://mssvideo.vcu.edu/BOV>.

CLOSED SESSION

Rector Dendy moved that the BOV Scholarship Committee of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University convene a closed session under Section 2.2-3711(A)(2) and (11) of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act for discussion of a special award and consideration of admission or disciplinary matters or any other matters that would involve the disclosure of information contained in a scholastic record concerning any student of any Virginia public institution of higher education or any state school system, specifically regarding the selection of the Board of Visitors Scholarship recipient which requires disclosures of scholastic records. The motion was seconded and was approved unanimously.

RECONVENED SESSION

Following the closed session, the public was invited to return to the meeting. Rector Dendy called the meeting to order. On a motion duly made and seconded the following resolution of certification was approved by a roll call vote:

Resolution of Certification

BE IT RESOLVED, that the BOV Scholarship Committee of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened were heard, discussed or considered by the Committee.”

Vote	Ayes	Nays
Mr. H. Benson Dendy III, <i>Rector</i>	X	
Ms. Carolina Espinal, <i>Chair, virtual</i>	X	
Mr. Todd Haymore, <i>Secretary</i>	X	
Dr. Tonya Parris-Wilkins	X	
Dr. Fotis Sotiropoulos	X	
Dr. Aaron Hart	X	

All members present responding affirmatively, the resolution of certification was adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Ms. Carolina Espinal, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 1:06 p.m.