



VCU

Board of Visitors

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 23, 2026

The Honorable Benjamin Lambert III Board Room
1213 East Clay Street
Richmond, VA

MEETING MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Ellen Fitzsimmons, *Rector*
Mr. Steven DeLuca, *Vice Rector*
Dr. Dale Jones
Mr. P2 Sandhu

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Hon. Peter Farrell

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Anthony Bedell
Ms. Heidi Cook
Dr. Kenneth Lipstock
Dr. Clifton Peay, *virtual*
Mr. Randy Reynolds, Jr.
Mr. Harry Thalhimer

OTHERS PRESENT

President Michael Rao
Ms. Chelsea Gray, *Executive Director for Board and Executive Operations*
Ms. Stephanie Hamlett, *University Counsel*
Ms. Suzanne Milton, *Chief Audit and Compliance Executive*
Presidential Cabinet of VCU

CALL TO ORDER

Rector Fitzsimmons called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

The public was able to view the open session of the meeting via livestream at <https://mssvideo.vcu.edu/BOV>.

CLOSED SESSION

Rector Fitzsimmons moved that the Nominating Committee of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University convene in closed session under Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1) to discuss and consider the appointment of specific officers and employees, specifically related to board

positions.

The motion was seconded and was approved unanimously.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AND CERTIFICATION

Following the closed session, the public was invited to return to the meeting. Rector Fitzsimmons called the meeting to order. She reminded members that the personnel matters discussed in closed session are confidential. Sharing confidential personnel information may give rise to a violation of privacy claim against the university. Similarly, the board should treat all other matters discussed in closed session as confidential. 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 Nominating 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 this chapter 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.

<u>Vote</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Ms. Ellen Fitzsimmons, <i>Rector</i>	X	
Mr. Steven DeLuca, <i>Vice Rector</i>	X	
Dr. Dale Jones	X	
Mr. P2 Sandhu	X	

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Rector Fitzsimmons adjourned the committee meeting at 4:45 p.m.