

BOARD OF VISITORS MEETING
Waitzer Hall, Room 100
March 21, 2023 at 1:00pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Bruce D. Waldholtz, MD, Rector
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Tammy Chrisman
C. Donald Combs, PhD
Frank Counselman, MD
Brant Cox
Victoria Dean
Anca Dobrian, PhD
Doug Gardner
Mekbib Gameda, EdD
Helen Heselius
Joel Hilton
Connie McKenzie
Tracy Morton
Kala Perkins-Holtsclaw, EdD
Stacy Purcell, JD
Vincent Rhodes, PhD
Matthew Schenk
Barry Strasnick, MD
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Interim Vice Dean, Faculty Affairs and Professional Development
News Director, Marketing and Communications
Vice President, Diversity
Vice President of Administration and Finance
Media Technology Specialist
Senior Associate Vice President, Development/Alumni Relations
Recording Secretary, EVMS Board of Visitors
Vice Dean, Strategic Planning/Institutional Effectiveness
Vice President and General Counsel
Assistant Vice President of Marketing and Communications
Associate Vice President, Human Resources
Interim COO EVMS Medical Group, Chair - ENT
Associate Vice President, Compliance/Legal Affairs

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Bruce Waldholtz, Rector, called the meeting to order at 1:00pm after noting a quorum was present.

In a lunch presentation prior to the Board meeting, Connie McKenzie introduced Brad Waitzer. Mr. Waitzer is challenging the community to close the scholarship gap for EVMS medical students. For every dollar invested in MD scholarships through June 30, 2023, Mr. Waitzer will match the funding \$0.50 per \$1.00 up to \$1 million. Dr. Ron Flenner, Vice Dean for Academic Affairs, briefed the Board on the 2023 Match Day results.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion made and seconded, the minutes of December 13, 2022, and February 3, 2023, were approved as distributed.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT AND PROVOST

Dr. Alfred Abuhamad, President and Provost, provided recommendations for appointments and promotions at the Assistant Professor and Instructor level, and presented them to the Board for action.

RESOLVED, that upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously approved the recommendations for faculty appointments and promotions, at the level of Assistant Professor and Instructor.

Dr. Abuhamad recommended the following faculty for Academic Honors: George R. Saade, MD, to be named the EVMS Foundation Chair for Women's Health, Beverly L. Roberts-Atwater, DO, PhD, to be named the Lydia I. Myers Endowed Professorship in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, and Kelly A. Thomson, MBBS, to be named the McKinnon Family Professorship in Palliative Medicine.

RESOLVED, that upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously approved the recommendations for academic honors as presented.

Dr. Abuhamad proposed that an Honorary Degree be awarded to our commencement speaker, Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, PhD, MD, MAS.

RESOLVED, that upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the recommendation that an honorary degree be conferred upon Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, PhD, MD, MAS during Commencement on May 20, 2023, with Dr. Betty Bibbins abstaining from the vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Dr. Naved Jafri, Chair, reported on the action items passed by the Academic and Student Affairs Committee meeting held this morning, March 21, 2023. Dr. Jafri reported that the Committee recommended four actionable items for Board approval.

Dr. Jafri presented the following recommended faculty actions for approval by the Board.

Appointments:

FULL-TIME SALARIED

Department of Internal Medicine, Division of Rheumatology
Seth M. Berney, MD - Professor, effective March 1, 2023

Department of Microbiology and Molecular Cell Biology
Yan Y. Sanders, MD – Associate Professor, effective February 27, 2023

Promotions:

FULL-TIME SALARIED

School of Health Professions, Medical and Health Professions Education (MHPE) Program
Margaret E. Gesing, PhD
Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, effective July 1, 2023

Department of Pathology and Anatomy
Kerwin M. Kolheffer, MS, PA (ASCP)^{CM}
Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, effective July 1, 2023

Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences
Allison P. Knight, PhD
Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, effective July 1, 2023

Department of Surgery, Division of Acute Care Surgery
Michael T. Martyak, MD
Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, effective July 1, 2023

RESOLVED, that upon a motion duly made and seconded, and the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, the Board of Visitors unanimously approved the faculty actions as presented.

On behalf of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Dr. Jafri presented the following candidates for conferral of degrees for the following programs:

Doctor of Biomedical Sciences
Doctor of Health Sciences
Doctor of Medical and Health Professions Education
Master of Science in Art Therapy and Counseling
Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences – 2 year
Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences – 1 year
Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences – Research
Master of Science in Contemporary Human Anatomy
Master of Science in Histotechnology
Masters in Healthcare Administration
Masters in Healthcare Analytics
Master of Medical and Health Professions Education
Master of Pathologist's Assistant
Master of Physician Assistant
Master of Public Health
Master of Science in Laboratory Animal Science
Master of Science in Reproductive Clinical Science
Master of Surgical Assisting
Doctor of Medicine

Names of the candidates are attached herewith.

The candidates were recommended for approval by the faculty at the General Faculty meeting held on February 21, 2023, and the Academic and Student Affairs Committee today, March 21, 2023.

RESOLVED, that, upon a motion duly made and seconded, and the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, the Board of Visitors unanimously approved the candidates for conferral of degrees as presented. Approval of the awards is subject to the successful completion of all degree requirements by the occasion of commencement or written specified period thereafter.

Dr. Jafri requested approval from the Board for the Comprehensive Memory Center. He noted the center has full support of the EVMS Faculty Senate and the Academic and Student Affairs Committee.

RESOLVED, that, upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Visitors voted to approve the Comprehensive Memory Center as presented.

Dr. Jafri reviewed revisions to the Faculty Handbook to include Legacy Policies. They have been reviewed and approved by the Faculty Senate and the Academic and Student Affairs Committee. He brings this item to the Board for approval.

RESOLVED, that, upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Visitors voted to approve the Faculty Handbook Revisions as presented.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Dr. Bruce Waldholtz reported there were no action items. The Finance Committee will meet in May to review the budget for the next fiscal year.

AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

Ms. Blythe Scott, Chair, reported on today's meeting, noting there are no action items for the Board. KPMG and our internal auditors provided an update to the Committee.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Hon. Daun Hester, Chair, reported on the Governance Committee held this morning. The Governance Committee voted to approve a Resolution to incorporate EVMS Legacy Policies into the ODU Faculty Handbook.

RESOLVED, that, upon a motion duly made and seconded, and the recommendation of the Governance Committee, the Board of Visitors unanimously approved the Resolution to incorporate EVMS Legacy Policies into the ODU Faculty Handbook as presented.

REPORT OF THE RECTOR

Dr. Bruce Waldholtz provided research updates to the Board between EVMS and the American Cancer Society. EVMS Internal Medicine has been accepted as a testing site for a new multi-cancer early detection test, and EVMS has been accepted as a testing site for the American Cancer Society's African American Generational Research in Breast Cancer study, which is scheduled to begin in October 2023.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Abuhamad reported that EVMS and NSU recently signed an affiliation agreement to bring the institutions together for faculty collaboration and mentorship of NSU students to assist them in becoming more competitive medical school applicants. EVMS and NSU have committed funds for this collaboration.

The Rector announced it would be necessary to hold a closed session as permitted under the Code of Virginia, Section 2.2-3711(A) (8) Consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, and Code of Virginia section 2.2-3712(A) to discuss specific proprietary, business-related information pertaining to the operations of Eastern Virginia Medical School, as permitted by the Code of Virginia 2.2-3711(A) (22).

Accordingly, upon a motion made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the open session and convene the closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:13pm.

Tracy Morton, Recording Secretary
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CLOSED SESSION
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Dr. Bruce Waldholtz, Rector, opened this closed session at 1:14pm. The closed session was convened in order for the Board to discuss specific proprietary, business-related information pertaining to the operations of Eastern Virginia Medical School, as permitted by the Code of Virginia 2.2-3711(A) (22).

The closed session adjourned at 1:58pm.

Respectfully Submitted:
Tracy Morton, Recording Secretary
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**BOARD OF VISITORS MEETING
RETURN TO OPEN SESSION
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Dr. Bruce Waldholtz, Rector, opened the return to regular session at 1:58pm.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board certified by roll call vote that to the best of their knowledge, only such matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed session were heard, discussed and considered by the Board.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted:
Tracy Morton, Assistant Secretary
EVMS Board of Visitors