

Old Dominion University  
Darden College of Education  
Advisory Board Meeting Agenda  
March 23, 2011  
12:00-2:00 p.m.

Members Present: David Buckingham, Brian Callahan, Lisa Corbin, Ken Danser, Roger Fuller, Jeanne Greif, Fred Hazelwood, Linda Irwin-DeVitis, Maurice Jones, Kathy Kaplan, Jannette Martin, Linda McCluney, Don Musacchio, Jim O'Brien, Patricia Powers, Shayla Prince, Marcy Royal, Annabel Sacks, Frank Scaringello, Tommy Smigiel, Michael Spencer, Melvin Williams

1. Welcome and Introductions

a. Dean Linda Irwin-DeVitis welcomed all and thanked everyone for joining together.

i. Dean DeVitis announced the Board Chair, Jeanne Greif and Vice-Chair, Linda McCluney:

1. Chair, Jeanne Greif received her Bachelor's (elementary/middle school) and Masters (Concentration in Reading) degrees from the Darden College of Education. She is a retired educator, having taught for 21 years in Norfolk Public Schools. She shared her diverse talents as a classroom teacher, as a Teaching Specialist, a Reading Specialist, and with Title I. Even into her retirement, Jeanne shared her expertise by substitute teaching at the Williams School and at Norview Elementary School. She incorporated technology and piano lessons as innovative methods of teaching reading. Jeanne's lifelong passion for education was further demonstrated as she also tutored children on her own time. She and her husband, Conrad, have been devoted supporters of the College for many years.

2. Co-Chair, Dr. Linda McCluney is the Vice President for Academic Affairs at Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Virginia where she has worked since 1996. She assumed this position after 16 years as a senior civilian with the DOD and 23 years as an educator in the public and higher education systems. Dr. McCluney has her Masters and Ph.D from Darden. She is presently a member of the Norfolk City School Board and a past recipient of the inaugural Darden Alumni Fellows Award.

ii. The Board Members present introduced themselves.

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2. Dean's Report
  - a. Dean DeVitis shared Darden Highlights:
    - i. Kasey Garrison, doctoral student and graduate research assistant in the Department of Teaching and Learning majoring in library science, was recently named a Student Ambassador for the 44th Annual Kaigler Children's Book Festival, April 6 – 8 at the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg.
    - ii. Fulbright Scholar – Steve Bell, Higher Ed Student
  - b. Dean DeVitis reviewed our Strategic Focusing process for Darden. DCOE had an external consultant, Madeline Adler, visit in early March in support of developing? Enhancing? Darden's vision. Darden will have a stakeholder's conference in May to seek feedback and follow up in the fall. How can Darden say we have achieved its goals if the districts aren't meeting AYP. We need to be solid partners to the community. Dean DeVitis needs the help of the Board to attract money for scholarships, outstanding doctoral students and to convince the community to come together in support of our initiatives.
3. Review and Approval of DCOE Bylaws by Dr. Jannette Martin
  - a. Dr. Martin shared that she met with, Jeanne Greif, Sarah Martin, Shayla Prince and Kathy Kaplan to work on bylaws and then emailed them out to the group.
  - b. The Board had discussion and made suggestions for the Bylaws.  
**Action:** Dr. Martin thanked everyone for their input and said she'd work with the others on the suggested wording and edits from the Board for the Bylaws.
4. Sub-Committee Sign Up
  - a. A form was sent around for member to sign up for sub-committees.
5. Development Report
  - a. Kathy Kaplan shared a summary of gifts and donors and asked what information the Board would like to have presented to them in the future.
    - i. Some suggestions:
      1. A list of possibilities or programs for donations.
      2. Annual Cocktail Reception at President's home for donors.
6. Shayla Prince shared Future Board Meetings and Events:
  - Darden Lecture in Education featuring Erin Gruwell-Wednesday, April 6, 2011

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- Monarch Kids Cub Run-April 16, 2011, 9am
  - Stakeholder's Conference-May 20, 2011, 8-12
  - Advisory Council Retreat-August 4, 2011, 8:30-4
  - DCOE Faculty and Staff Welcome Back Cookout-August 24, 2011
  - State of the College Address-August 2011
  - Full Board Meeting-September 20, 2011, 12pm
  - Full Board Meeting-February 16, 2012, 12pm
7. Jeanne Greif closed the meeting by requesting any suggestions or ideas be emailed to Shayla Prince at [sprince@odu.edu](mailto:sprince@odu.edu). Meeting adjourned at 1:53pm.