
**THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
THE VISITORS OF JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY**

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Minutes of the Meeting of February 28, 2025

The Visitors of James Madison University met on Friday, February 28, 2025 in the RussellReynold office in Washington, DC. Kay Coles James, Chair of the Presidential Search Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:34 am.

PRESENT:

Bell, Dickie
Bolander, Jeff
Caudle, Larry
Edwards, Terrie, Vice Rector
Eiland, Joanie
Fiorina, Carly
Galati, Tom

James, Kay Coles
Obenshain, Suzanne, Rector
Rexrode, David
Smith, Steve
Stoltzfus, Michael
Thacker, Nikki
White, Jack
Wood, Nicole Palya

Stafford, Sydney, Student Representative to the Board, 2024-25
Ott-Walter, Kathy, Faculty Senate Representative

Jack White made the following motion:

“Pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of Virginia, I move we go into closed session to discuss personnel matters involving hiring of university administrators and appointees.”
The motion was seconded by Dave Rexrode and the committee moved into closed session.

Following the closed session, the chair then stated the following:

During the closed session, the board discussed only matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements and only those types of matters identified in the motion for the closed session.

RECORDED VOTE: the following is an affirmative recorded, member by member vote:

Dickie Bell
Jeff Bolander
Lary Caudle
Terrie Edwards
Joanie Eiland
Carly Fiorina
Tom Galati
Kay Coles James

Dave Rexrode
Michael Stoltzfus
Steve Smith
Sydney Stafford
Nicole Wood
Jack White
Kathy Ott-Walter

With no further business the committee meeting adjourned at 4:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Harper, Secretary to the
Search Committee

Suzamme Obenshain, Rector