**Board Actions**

Board of Trustees voted to accept the Colonial Athletic Association’s invitation to join its football-only conference effective with the 2007 season. The University will continue to compete in the Atlantic 10 Conference for football through 2006.

**Academic Program Committee**

- Approved granting degrees to students graduating in May, August 2005 and January 2006
- Approved for Tenure 2005-06
  - School of Arts & Sciences
    - Catherine L. Bagwell – Assistant Professor of Psychology
    - Benjamin Broening – Assistant Professor of Music & Director of Music Technology
    - Joanna H. Drell – Assistant Professor of History
    - Malcolm S. Hill – Associate Professor of Biology
    - Dorothy J. Holland – Assistant Professor of Theatre
    - Carol A. Parish – Associate Professor of Chemistry
    - Erling Sjovold – Assistant Professor of Art
  - Robins School of Business
    - Amit Eynan – Professor of Management Systems
    - Stephen B. Tallman – Professor of Management Systems
  - Jepson School of Leadership Studies
    - John Donelson Ross Forsyth – Professor of Leadership Studies
    - George Rodman Goethals II – Professor of Leadership Studies
- Approved for Promotion 2005-06
  - School of Arts and Sciences (To Full Professor)
    - William T. Ross – Associate Professor of Mathematics
    - Louis Tremaine – Associate Professor of English and International Studies
  - School of Arts and Sciences (To Associate Professor)
    - Catherine L. Bagwell – Assistant Professor of Psychology
    - Benjamin Broening – Assistant Professor of Music & Director of Music Technology
    - Joanna H. Drell – Assistant Professor of History
    - Dorothy J. Holland – Assistant Professor of Theatre
    - Erling Sjovold – Assistant Professor of Art
  - The School of Law (To Associate Professor)
    - Corinna B. Lain – Assistant Professor of Law
    - Elizabeth A. Nowicki – Assistant Professor of Law
  - The School of Continuing Studies (To Associate Professor)
    - Daniel M. Roberts, Jr. – Assistant Professor of Liberal Arts and Director of the Liberal Arts Program
    - Porcher L. Taylor, III – Assistant Professor of Paralegal Studies and Director of Paralegal Studies Program
- Faculty approved awarding emerita/emeritus status:
  - School of Arts and Sciences
    - Stuart C. Clough, Professor of Chemistry, Emeritus
    - Arthur B. Gunlicks, Professor of Political Science, Emeritus
    - James H. Hall, Jr, Professor of Philosophy, Emeritus and The James Thomas Professorship in Philosophy, Emeritus
- New Appointments to Endowed Chairs, Professorships & Fellowships
  - School of Arts & Sciences
    - Craig H. Kinsley, MacEldin Trawick Professorship in Psychology
    - Ladelle McWhorter, James Thomas Professorship in Philosophy
  - Jepson School of Leadership Studies
    - John Donelson Ross Forsyth, The Colonel Leo K. and Gaylee Thorsness Endowed Chair in Ethical Leadership
    - George Rodman Goethals II, The E. Claiborne Robins Distinguished Professorship in Leadership Studies
Robins School of Business
Stephen B. Tallman, The E. Claiborne Robins Distinguished Professorship in Business

- New University Mission Statement Approved
- Highlights
  - Undergraduate Admissions: 5,757 applications received for first-year students as of 3/11/05, compared to 6,226 as of 3/11/04.
  - Law Admissions: 2,004 applications received as of 2/23/05, compared to 2,259 as of 2/23/04.
  - Evening School enrollments for the Spring '05 term topped 2,000 and were over 3,900 (fall/spring combined) 13% over last year's enrollment – the highest in the School’s history.
  - With Class of 2005, Richmond will complete full implementation of the policy to meet 100% of demonstrated eligibility for need-based financial aid.
  - New countries represented by international students this year are Syria, United Arab Emirates, Modova, Vietnam, the Philippines, Paraguay and Lithuania.
  - 107 students are studying abroad in Spring 2005; a 24% increase over last spring.

Advancement Committee
- Gift from the Weinstein Family for the Recreation and Wellness Center
- Approval of the Richmond Council, which will provide more structure and education to the University’s volunteer organizations
- Highlights
  - **Transforming Bright Minds** Campaign (as of 3/14/05) has secured $159.3M in gifts and pledges
  - 40 donors of $1M or more to the Campaign as of 3/14/05
  - The Annual Fund is 32% ahead of last year's total (as of 3/14/05) with gifts totaling $4.2M.

Business Management Committee
- 2005-06 Operating Budget totaling $157,249,400 approved; increase of $9,093,400 over 2004-05 budget.
- Summer projects: Robins Hall, Helmman Dining Center, Boatwright Library Renovations, Recreation and Wellness Center, and Wireless Data Network Project
- Highlights
  - Completed projects: Installation of power generator for North and South Court Residence Halls, Smoothie Bar in Tyler Haynes Commons, Installation of back-up power facilities for the University Data Center.
  - Current projects: Gottwald Science Center, University Forum

Spider Management Company
- Highlights
  - Endowment at $1.17 Billion as of December 31, 2004; up from $1.08 Billion in December 2003.

Student Development Committee
- Highlights

Information Services
- Highlights
  - New wireless access points were installed in 15 buildings.
  - New library web site was developed.

Chaplaincy
- Highlights
  - Founder’s Week guest speakers: The Reverend Patricia Gould-Champ and Mr. Lewis T. Booker.
  - Construction on Interreligious prayer room is underway; completion expected by the end of the spring semester.

Athletics
- Highlights
  - Richmond ranked sixth nationally in the most recent graduation rate survey released by the NCAA. It marked the third consecutive year that Richmond finished in the top 20.