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

Minutes of the Governance Committee

The Governance Committee of the James Madison University Board of Visitors met on Thursday, November 7, 2024 in the Festival Conference and Student Center at James Madison University. Jack White, chair, called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

PRESENT:

Bolander, Jeff
James, Kay Coles
Kirkpatrick, David, liaison

Obenshain, Suzanne
Rexrode, David
White, Jack, Chair

ABSENT:

Fiorina, Carly

ALSO PRESENT:

King, Charles, President
Knight, Jack, University Legal Counsel

Approval of Minutes

On motion by Jeff Bolander, seconded by Kay Coles James, the committee approved the minutes of the September 12, 2024 meeting.

JMU Board Self-Evaluation

The committee discussed the JMU board self-evaluation process.

Bylaw Revisions

The committee reviewed revisions and updates to the Board Manual. On motion by Kay Coles James, seconded by Dave Rexrode, the committee approved additional revisions to the Board Manual. These changes will be brought to the full board at the February meeting.

Student Handbook Review

The committee discussed reviewing the student handbook for compliance and consistency with the Board Manual (January 15th deadline for board members to review and provide feedback).

Board Retreat

The committee briefly discussed details for the two-day, off-site retreat on June 5-6, 2025. The committee will be inviting EAB to share expertise.

With no further business, the committee adjourned at 12:55 pm.

Jack White, Chair

David C. Kirkpatrick, Secretary to the Board