

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
March 15, 2008**

**University of the Virgin Islands
Great Hall
Northwest Wing
St. Croix Campus
9:00 a.m.**

**ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA
DRAFT ACTION AGENDA
Regular Session**

Committee Reports

Academic Research and Student Affairs.....Hon. Audrey L. Thomas

**A. Faculty Policy Manual
(Presentation/Discussion/Action)**

The Faculty Policy Manual subcommittee, consisting of both faculty and administration, has been working extensively to provide a document that both the faculty and administration can agree on. The subcommittee was able to produce a document that identified areas of differences and agreement. The document was presented to the faculty body on Thursday, February 7, the day before the ARSA Committee meeting. Unfortunately, the faculty was not able to come to a decision on the proposed FPM at that meeting.

The Faculty Executive Committee (FEC) requested that the subcommittee continue working on the areas of disagreement and requested that the action on the FPM by the Board of Trustees be postponed until the June 2008 Board meeting. This presented a number of concerns for the administration. First and foremost, Middle States is expecting a progress report on the FPM from the President by April 1, 2008. Secondly, there are a number of competing interests at the end of the semester, including commencement that may detract attention from the FPM.

The President recommended that the faculty go back and prepare a document that identified the areas of agreement that have been officially sanctioned by the faculty. The faculty is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, February 19 to prepare this document. They will also determine how they will address the areas of disagreement and try to get an answer to the ARSA Committee before the Board of Trustees meeting on March 15.

At the continuation of the Committee meeting on Friday, March 7th, the Provost presented an overview of the sections of the FPM that were ratified by the faculty and approved by the administration of the University and Cabinet as of March 6, 2008. The Committee voted unanimously to approve the areas of agreement and forwards a resolution to the full Board for review and approval.

B. Criminal Justice Program
(Presentation/Discussion/Action)

The Provost presented to the Committee for review and action a proposal for the Criminal Justice program that included an Associate of Applied Science, Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degree. Since the inception of the Police Science and Administration (PSA) Associate of Arts (AA) degree program in 1967/1968, little has been done to maintain its appropriateness for meeting the needs of law enforcement community members. Recently, due to the limited nature of the PSA degree program, students and law enforcement organizations in the territory have requested degree programs in Criminal Justice.

The 27th Legislature and the John de Jongh Administration provided funding in the amount of \$250,000 to assist the Criminal Justice program with the clear understanding that the Police Department is to be prioritized. The Police Department committed to supporting two sets of cohorts, young police cadets and existing police officers seeking to utilize the Career Incentive Program. If approved by the Board of Trustees at the March 15 meeting, the first cohort is scheduled to begin in Summer Session I. In the event that the Board fails to approve the program at that meeting, the University risks losing the funding that was appropriated for the CJU program.

At the continuation of the Committee meeting on Friday, March 7th, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the three degree programs in Criminal Justice and forward a resolution to the full Board for review and approval.

Buildings and Grounds CommitteeAttorney Henry C. Smock
Finance Committee.....Mr. Roy D. Jackson

**VI Hotel Project Request for Expressions of Interest (REI) and
Ad Hoc Committee (AHC)**
(Presentation/Discussion/Action)

After reviewing a Highest and Best Use Analysis of Estate Adelpia South and Parcel I, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, and a draft Request for Expressions of Interest (REI), the joint Building and Grounds and Finance and Budget Committees are recommending for approval by the Board of Trustees, a

Request for Expressions of Interest (REI) regarding the University of the Virgin Islands' Hotel Project. The Committees are also recommending the establishment of a UVI Hotel Project Ad Hoc Committee (AHC) comprised of the Chair of the Board of Trustees, Chair of the Building and Grounds Committee, Chair of the Finance and Budget Committee, President, Vice President for Administration and Finance, Financial Advisor and University Legal Counsel. The AHC would be charged with selecting a hotel operator/developer from the responses to the REI and recommending approval by the Board of Trustees.