

1 **TOBACCO REGION REVITALIZATION COMMISSION**

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3 Richmond, Virginia 23219

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9 **Special Projects Committee Meeting**

10 Tuesday, September 20, 2016

11 12:00 P.M.

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 The Inn at Wise

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 Wise, Virginia

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1 **APPEARANCES:**

- 2 The Honorable Daniel W. Marshall, III, Chairman
3 The Honorable Charles W. Carrico, Sr., Vice Chairman
4 The Honorable Kathy J. Byron
5 Mr. John R. Cannon
6 Ms. Mary Rae Carter
7 The Honorable Edward Owens
8 Mr. Robert Spiers

9 COMMISSION STAFF:

- 10 Mr. Evan Feinman – Executive Director
11 Mr. Chris E. Piper – Deputy Executive Director
12 Mr. Timothy S. Pfohl – Grants Program Administration
13 Director
14 Ms. Sarah K. Capps – Grants Program Administrator,
15 Southside Virginia
16 Ms. Michelle Faircloth – Grants Assistant, Southside Virginia
17 Ms. Sara G. Williams – Grants Program Administrator,
18 Southwest Virginia
19 Ms. Jessica Stamper – Grants Assistant, Southwest Virginia
20 Mr. Jordan L. Butler – Public Relations Coordinator
21 Ms. Stacey Richardson – Executive Assistant
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23 COUNSEL FOR THE COMMISSION:

- 24 Ms. Elizabeth B. Myers, Assistant Attorney General
25 Richmond, Virginia

1 DELEGATE MARSHALL: I'll call the
2 meeting of the Special Projects Committee to order and ask
3 Evan to call the roll.

4 MR. FEINMAN: Delegate Byron?

5 DELEGATE BYRON: Here.

6 MR. FEINMAN: Mr. Cannon?

7 MR. CANNON: Here.

8 MR. FEINMAN: Senator Carrico?

9 SENATOR CARRICO: Here.

10 MR. FEINMAN: Ms. Gould is not here.

11 Ms. Carter?

12 MS. CARTER: Here.

13 MR. FEINMAN: Delegate Marshall?

14 DELEGATE MARSHALL: Here.

15 MR. FEINMAN: Mr. Mills is not here. Mr.

16 Owens?

17 MR. OWENS: Here.

18 MR. FEINMAN: Mr. Spiers?

19 MR. SPIERS: Here.

20 MR. FEINMAN: You have a quorum, Mr.

21 Chairman.

22 DELEGATE MARSHALL: Thank you. I
23 need a motion for the approval of the 5/23/16 minutes.

24 MR. OWENS: So moved.

25 MR. CANNON: Second.

1 DELEGATE MARSHALL: All those in
2 favor say aye. (Ayes.) Opposed? (No response.) All right, the
3 minutes are approved. Tim, do you want to talk about the two
4 extensions?

5 MR. PFOHL: Yes, sir, Mr. Chairman and
6 Members of the Committee. There's two other business
7 agenda items. The first regards the Liberty University grant
8 number 2580 and that's the Center for Medical and Health
9 Sciences phase two. This is an \$8.5 million grant approved
10 four years ago and there is a request for a two year extension
11 for this project. There are funds available in excess of \$2
12 million on that grant. Liberty University has successfully
13 created the College of Osteopathic Medicine. I think it was the
14 first grant opening ceremony that required bleacher seats to
15 be brought in for faculty and students.

16 You see some numbers of the number of
17 students enrolled in the program. Standing down and
18 reaching out to Southwest Virginia over the last couple of
19 years deferring to the King School of Medicine project that
20 many of you remember. Now that we no longer see the
21 prospects of a medical school in Southwest Virginia, there's an
22 expressed interest in reaching out to clinical partnerships and
23 training opportunities throughout Virginia using the balance
24 of the grant funds. We have not seen a specific budget and
25 how those funds might be used but the outcomes will be

1 favorable in helping to extend and reaching the Osteopathic
2 School of Medicine, which serves part of our footprint.

3 The staff recommends approval of a two
4 year extension to September 27, 2018, allowing the University
5 to use the available balance to support activities under the
6 original and expanded scope of the project for serving
7 Southwest Virginia, subject to approval of expanded scope and
8 budget by the Commission's Executive Director.

9 DELEGATE MARSHALL: Do we have any
10 questions?

11 MR. PFOHL: There's a representative
12 from the University here.

13 DELEGATE MARSHALL: Any questions?
14 Hearing none.

15 MR. BREWER: Thank you, my name is
16 Joseph Brewer. I had the privilege of serving as one of the
17 associate deans there at the College of Osteopathic Medicine
18 at Liberty. I'm here today representing our interim dean Dr.
19 David Clink and he would have liked to have been here but he
20 had other responsibilities.

21 We're very excited about how things have
22 gone along and the investment you have made. We have a
23 very established school now and we're in our third year with
24 students and very excited about an opportunity to have a
25 couple of more years to reach out to the areas he's mentioned

1 to develop these relationships so we can have comparable
2 training sites for our students and ultimately to develop some
3 residency spots. It's time to do that so we can be the best
4 stewards of these funds so we'd like to have two more years.

5 DELEGATE MARSHALL: Do we have any
6 questions? Someone has made a request to staff, you or
7 someone from Liberty come to our January meeting and give
8 us a brief synopsis of what you are doing on the ground in
9 Southside Virginia and maybe do it to the whole board.

10 MR. BREWER: Yes, thank you.

11 DELEGATE BYRON: Mr. Chairman, just
12 to clarify, you are also talking on the ground to clinics and the
13 students that have gotten engaged that were part of the
14 original agreement and request.

15 DELEGATE MARSHALL: Any other
16 questions? All right, thank you sir.

17 MR. BREWER: Thank you.

18 DELEGATE MARSHALL: Tim, do you
19 want to do the next one?

20 MR. PFOHL: The second agenda item is
21 the University of Virginia grant number 2587 for the Cancer
22 Center without Walls. This was approved in September of
23 2012 and \$964,000. The grantee has requested approval for
24 an extension to this grant for the fifth year. It's proposed to
25 repurpose the remaining \$315,000 balance of this award.

1 This is a project the Special Projects Committee has supported
2 the Cancer Survivor Network. Staff recommends approval of a
3 one year extension through September 30, 2017 to allow the
4 remaining grant funds to support the Cancer Center without
5 Walls, Cancer Survivor Network project.

6 DELEGATE MARSHALL: Anyone on the
7 Committee have a question? Hearing none, we need a motion
8 for both of these.

9 DELEGATE BYRON: Mr. Chairman, I
10 move that we accept the staff recommendations on both of
11 these projects.

12 DELEGATE MARSHALL: Do we have a
13 second?

14 DELEGATE OWENS: Second.

15 DELEGATE MARSHALL: I have a motion
16 and a second to accept the staff recommendations. Any
17 discussion? All right, all those in favor say aye. (Ayes.)
18 Opposed? (No response.) All right. Any public comment?
19 Hearing none, then we're adjourned.

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21 PROCEEDINGS CONCLUDED.

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7 **Revitalization Commission Special Projects Committee**
8 **meeting when held on Tuesday, September 20, 2016 at**
9 **12:00 p.m. at the Inn at Wise, Wise, Virginia.**

10 I further certify this is a true and accurate
11 transcript, to the best of my ability to hear and understand
12 the proceedings.

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14 September, 2015.

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