# External Engagement Committee

March 2024





# External Engagement Committee 3:30 p.m.\*\* March 21, 2024 Roanoke Higher Education Center, Room 212, Roanoke, VA

#### DRAFT Agenda

• Call to Order Mr. Jimmy Turk, Vice Chair

• Approval of Agenda Mr. Jimmy Turk, Vice Chair

• Approval of Minutes Mr. Jimmy Turk, Vice Chair

o November 30, 2023

• University Advancement Report Ms. Penny Helms White, Vice President for

Radford University Magazine University Advancement

o Alumni | Donor Relations

o RAD48

o TOGETHER Campaign

o Planned Giving

Economic Development and Dr. Angela Joyner, Vice President for Economic Corporate Education Report Development and Corporate Education

o Strategic Goals Update

o Provisional to Professional Pathway

o Economic Development Initiatives

Other Business
Adjournment
Mr. Jimmy Turk, Vice Chair
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\*\* All start times for committee meetings are approximate. Meetings may begin either before or after the listed approximate start time as committee members are ready to proceed.

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Ms. Lisa W. Pompa, Chair

Mr. James C. Turk, Vice Chair

Ms. Betsy D. Beamer

Dr. Betty Jo Foster

Mrs. Jennifer Wishon Gilbert

# Meeting Materials



# University Advancement



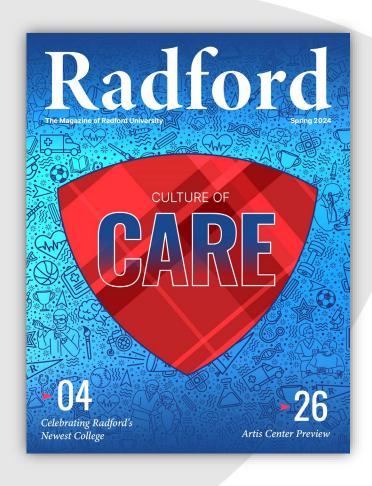


#### **Distinction**

Highlight alumni success stories that demonstrate areas of distinction



# Create a range of multi-media content to showcase the professional and personal journeys of alumni



#### Culture of CARE

- Seventeen Alumni Stories Captured
- Radford Athletics
- All Colleges Represented





#### **Reposition Resources to Maintain Affordability**

Cultivate long-term and meaningful relationships with alumni to increase engagement, volunteering and philanthropic giving for the long-term stability of the university

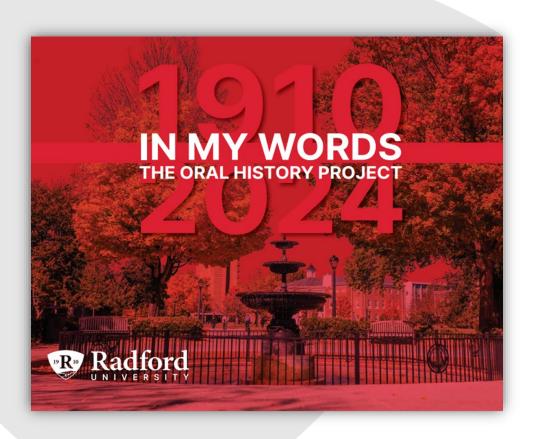


## Recruit and retain alumni volunteers to support university initiatives



Volunteer Summit
"The experience exceeded my expectations!"- Faye Marcum'71

## Recruit and retain alumni volunteers to support university initiatives



## **Alumni Stories Categories**

Student Life Legacy Alumni

Academic Influences Love Stories

Lifelong Friendships

First Generation

Career Success

Moments in Time



## Increase alumni giving rates and giving amount



#### August/September/October

- Coaching staff received an overview of Athletics/Advancement partnership
- Page formation began
- Video plan written, athlete contact began
- Social graphics requested
- SIDs provide updated team accolades

#### November/December/January

- Pages finalized; coaches approve
- General video as well as individual team videos put into production
- Social media plan kicks off in January
- Marketing efforts launch at Volunteer Summit
- Challenge gifts and matches secured by Jon Zeitz
- Ambassador recruitment and training

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## 48 Hours of activity

- Solicitation Emails are sent
- Social media campaigns go live and are updated throughout the challenge
- Ambassadors text, call, and email their communities
- Challenge gifts are launched and elevate projects
- Donor records are built and updated for all gifts received
- Offline gifts(non-ScaleFunder) are added by advancement staff





#### **Email Marketing**



## RAD48 IS LIVE! IT'S TIME TO #RISEANDDONATE!



Click the button below to support Radford Athletics!
During RAD48, you can impact the lives and
experiences of our student-athletes by giving to a
specific sport, Strength and Conditioning, Athletic
Training, our Cheer and Dance teams, and/or
funds that benefit all areas.

Help us protect and preserve the athletic experience for our students!

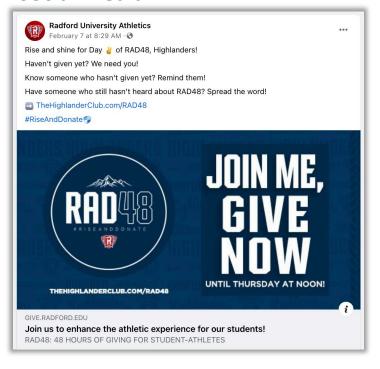
**GIVE NOW** 



#### **University Website**



#### **Social Media**



#### **Individual Team Videos and Social Media Plans**



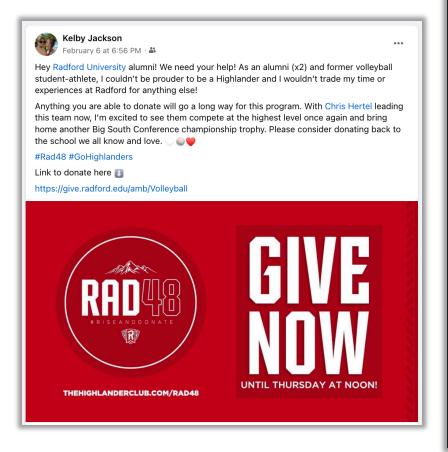








#### **Ambassadors**











## Creative | Collaborative | Comprehensive

- Partnership between Radford Athletics and University Advancement
- February 6 (Noon) February 8 (Noon)
- \$154,938 with 894 donors









# Reposition Resources to Maintain Affordability

To establish a data-driven annual fundraising goal that aligns with the financial needs, strategic priorities and long-term stability of the university



# Complete TOGTHER - The Campaign for Radford University





## Prepare and Build Momentum

#### January 1 – June 30

- Celebration Committee Members charged, and meetings are underway
  - Student philanthropy event
  - Faculty and Staff stewardship event
  - All donor Campaign event
  - Invitation only Campaign Celebration event
- Campaign Steering Committee stewarded and solicited appropriately
- TOGETHER E-newsletter will feature campaign impact stories
- Regional Campaign Event in Northern Virginia
- Alumni Association Board of Directors created a fundraising subcommittee
- Faculty and Staff Campaign will launch in March
- All gifts matter push via magazine and e-newsletter

# Relaunch the Society of 1910 and improve donor engagement with planned giving





My alma mater provided me with the knowledge and skills that allowed me to have a rewarding career as an educator.

Giving back to Radford University is one way I can say, 'Thank you, for the major role you played in my life.'

**PALMA CLARK '73, M.S. '77** 

Scan the QR code to learn about ways to give back to Radford!





# Important Dates

April 20 - Northern Virginia Regional Campaign Event

April 26 - Red & White Gala

May 19 - Friends of Selu

August 2 - Radford Night at Nationals Park

October 3-5 - Homecoming

October 5 - Campaign Celebration

November 15 - Day of Gratitude





# Discussion





# Economic Development and Corporate Education

March 2024



# 2023-2025 Goals

Strategy	Tactic	Metrics	Baseline	Target	Status
Grow non-traditional enrollment and associated revenue	Market programs, expand partnerships and program portfolio	measure enrollment, revenue,	Enrollment: 414 Revenue: \$533.3K Completion rate: 66% Partnerships: 5 Program Launches: K-12 Cybersecurity Grant pipeline: \$14M	Enrollment: 472 Revenue: \$1.3M Completion rate: 70% Partnerships: 12(new), each with minimum of 5 enrollees Program Launches: 2, each with a minimum of 10 enrollees	
	Develop strong grant pipeline and external funding sources to support revenue generation		Grant pipeline: \$14M submissions, \$1M awards	Grant pipeline: \$5M+, \$2M awards	

# Provisional to Professional Pathway





- ✓ Enrollment 8 enrolled
- ✓ Development 3 courses complete; 5 in progress
- ✓ Recruiting/ Business Development in progress

# 2023-2025 Goals



Strategy	Tactic	Metrics	Baseline	Baseline	Status
Become essential conduit for regional economic development	Develop business model for the Hub at Radford. Conduct needs assessment to inform programming and partnerships. Develop Community Impact Report.	Approved business model; approved plan for programming; approved priority for partnerships; community impact report	Capacity does not exist	Approved plans/reports in place by June 2025	
	Develop strong grant pipeline and external funding sources to support initiatives	Economic development grant submissions and awards	Establishing baseline 2023-24	Grant pipeline: \$250K; \$100K awards (totals for all partners, not just Radford University)	
	Establish internships with a focus on paid-internship opportunities	Number of partnership agreements (MOUs) with students participating in internships, percent of students (undergraduate and graduate) participating in workbased learning opportunities (WBLO), percent in paid WBLO	Establishing Baseline 2023-24	Add three internship bearing MOUs per year, increase WBLO by 1% annually, increase paid WBLO by 1% annually	Annually; Sept
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# Internship Leads

















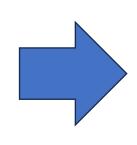




# Collaborations/Partnerships







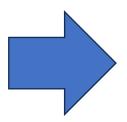
Amphitheater Proposal

Community-based project Honors College









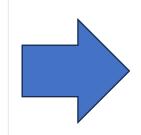
Medicine & Health Sciences Governor School



### Grant Collaborations







IT & Cybersecurity Pipeline \$200K



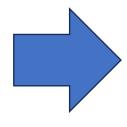












Go Virginia
BioTech
Initiative
\$4MM

# Economic Development Initiatives



Develop business model for the Hub at Radford

Develop strong grant pipeline and external funding sources



Co-Working

@ The Hub



Gig Hub



Partnerships



**Testing Center** 

Go Virginia
Biotech
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# Discussion

# Minutes





#### External Engagement Committee 4:00 p.m. November 30, 2023 Kyle Hall, Room 340, Radford, VA

### DRAFT MINUTES

#### **Committee Members Present**

Mr. James C. Turk, Vice Chair

Ms. Betsy D. Beamer

Dr. Betty Jo Foster

Mrs. Jennifer Wishon Gilbert

Ms. Lisa W. Pompa contacted Board of Visitors Rector Debra McMahon prior to the meeting to inform her that a personal matter would prevent her from attending the meeting in person. Ms. Pompa participated by electronic communication from her home.

#### **Board Members Present**

Dr. Debra K. McMahon, Rector

Mr. Marquett Smith, Vice Rector

Mr. Robert A. Archer

Ms. Jeanne Armentrout

Ms. Joann S. Craig

Mr. Tyler W. Lester

Mr. George Mendiola

Mr. David A. Smith

Ms. Georgia Anne Snyder-Falkinham

#### Others Present

Dr. Bret Danilowicz, President

Ms. Penny Helms White, Vice President for University Advancement

Dr. Angela Joyner, Vice President for Economic Development and Corporate Education

Dr. Robert Hoover, Vice President for Finance and Administration

Ms. Laura Turk, Executive Director of Alumni Relations

Dr. Dannette Beane, Vice President for Enrollment Management and Strategic Communications

Dr. Kurt Gingrich, President of Faculty Senate

Ms. Vanessa Conner, Director of Donor Relations and Communications

Mr. Ben Hill, Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations

Ms. Karen Casteele, Secretary to the Board of Visitors and Special Assistant to the President

Ms. Susan Richardson, University Counsel

Mr. Charlie Jewell, Director Economic Development and Community Engagement

Mr. Tom Bennett, Senior Director for Business Operations and Planning for Economic Development and Corporate Education

#### Call to Order

Mr. James C. Turk, Vice Chair, formally called the External Engagement Committee meeting to order at 4:50 p.m. in Kyle Hall, Room 340.

#### Approval of Agenda

Mr. Turk asked for a motion to approve the November 30, 2023 agenda, as published. Ms. Betsy D. Beamer made the motion, Dr. Betty Jo Foster seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Turk asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2023 meeting of the External Engagement Committee meeting, as published. Ms. Beamer made the motion, Mrs. Jennifer Wishon Gilbert seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### Economic Development and Corporate Education

Vice President for Economic Development and Corporate Education Angela Joyner began by reviewing the proposed strategies, metrics and reporting timelines for the division. The strategies align with the overall priorities for the university in the areas of economic development, enrollment and distinction.

Vice President Joyner was pleased to announce that the Provisional to Professional Pathway, a virtual teacher academy, is set to launch December 1, 2023. This pathway offers the required professional development courses for provisionally licensed teachers to complete Virginia Department of Education licensure requirements in one year. There are over 8,000 provisionally licensed teachers in the state. The courses are online, self-paced, and will also have the support of our world-class faculty, learning coaches and staff. We have a strategic partnership agreement with Pulaski County Schools and a commitment of five learners and three other learners from across the state who have applied.

Dr. Joyner then gave a brief update of events that have taken place at the HUB since its official opening. The HUB and team hosted listening sessions in September with small businesses and localities to further facilitate communication and engagement between the university and the region. Also, a SWaM workshop was hosted at the HUB by the Roanoke/New River Valley Small Business Development Center for businesses in the NRV.

Dr. Joyner announced that Radford University is releasing its 2022 Economic Impact Study report this week. The university had an economic impact of over \$421 million. For every \$1 of state funding invested in Radford University, the return was \$6.35. The team will create an annual impact report to provide more communication to the community about the university's impact on the region and beyond.

#### **University Advancement**

Vice President for University Advancement Penny Helms White provided updates to the committee on the 2023–2025 strategic goals. The Grenzebach Glier & Associates (GG+A) magazine readership survey was completed, and results were shared. Respondents found the magazine to be one of the main sources of information about the university, it strengthens their personal connection to Radford, and they most enjoy college specific news, alumni profiles, class notes and campus events. The recommendation is to increase the frequency of the magazine and to have a more predictable timeline.

Approximately 3,500 individuals participated in one or more of this year's Homecoming events. The Day of Gratitude had over 250 participants in the day's events. A video from the Day of Gratitude was shared highlighting events to include Partners in Excellence, College of Humanities Behavioral Sciences Experience and Celebration of Giving.

As of November 25, 2023, the campaign for Radford University has raised \$93.8 million with \$6.2 million to go. In January, totals for the campaign will no longer be reported. The first six months of the year will be used in preparation to celebrate the campaign and build momentum. Events will be held for students, faculty/staff, all donors, and an invitation-only campaign celebration during Homecoming 2024.

In closing, Vice President White announced that Highlander10 raised over \$50,000 which was an increase in dollars and donors from last year and the Artis Center naming opportunities were shared.

#### **Adjournment**

With no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Cook Executive Administrative Assistant Economic Development and Corporate Education

## End of Board of Visitors Materials

