

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE BY-LAWS OF
THE BOARD OF VISITORS**

WHEREAS, the 2009 General Assembly approved new language added to the Budget Bill (Item 475.10, Chapter 781) which prohibits executive branch agencies, such as Virginia Tech, from paying per diems to citizen members of boards or commissions, effective July 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the existing By-laws of the Board of Visitors include a provision to make per diem payments to board members in Article VI, Section 1, and thus the By-laws are in conflict with the new law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in order to comply with Section 2.2-2813 of the *Code of Virginia*, the following sentence will be removed from Article VI, Section 1 of the By-laws of the Board of Visitors: ~~Board members are entitled to a per diem as authorized by the *Code of Virginia*; and~~

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that effectively immediately Article VI, Section 1 of the Board of Visitors By-laws be amended to read as follows: Board members may be reimbursed for reasonable travel and other expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties (*Code of Virginia*, Section 2.2-2813).

RECOMMENDATION:

That the By-laws of the Board of Visitors be amended effectively immediately to remove the reference to per diem payments in Article VI, Section 1, in order to comply with Section 2.2-2813 of the *Code of Virginia*.

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