1.1 General Powers. Virginia Commonwealth University Foundation (the “Foundation”) shall have a Board of Trustees. All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of the Foundation managed under the direction of, its Board of Trustees, subject to any limitation set forth in the Articles of Incorporation.

1.2 Election and Term. Trustees shall be elected in the manner and for the terms set forth in the Articles of Incorporation.

1.3 Removal; Vacancies. The Board of Trustees may remove any Elected Trustee, with or without cause, but only at a meeting called for that purpose, and the notice of the meeting must state that the purpose, or one of the purposes, of the meeting is the removal of the Elected Trustee. The removal of an Elected Trustee shall be effective only upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Trustees. A vacancy on the Board of Trustees, including a vacancy resulting from the removal of an Elected Trustee, may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Trustees, and may, in the case of a resignation that will become effective at a specified later date, be filled before the vacancy occurs, but the new Elected Trustees may not take office until the vacancy occurs.

1.4 Annual and Regular Meetings. An annual meeting of the Board of Trustees (for the purpose of electing officers and carrying on such other business as may properly come before the meeting) shall be held on such day in May of each year or such other date as shall be
designated by the President or the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees shall also adopt a schedule of at least two additional meetings that shall be considered regular meetings to be held at such times as the President or the Board of Trustees shall designate. Annual and regular meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held at such places, either within or without the Commonwealth of Virginia, as the President or the Board of Trustees shall designate from time to time. If no such place is designated, it shall be held at the principal office of the Foundation.

1.5 **Special Meetings.** Special meetings of the Board of Trustees may be called by the President or any five Trustees of the Foundation and shall be held at such places, either within or without the Commonwealth of Virginia, as the person or persons calling the meeting shall designate. If no such place is designated in the notice of a meeting, it shall be held at the principal office of the Foundation.

1.6 **Notice of Meetings.** No notice need be given of annual or regular meetings of the Board of Trustees. Notice of special meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be given to each Trustee not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the meeting, by delivering the same to the Trustee in person or to the Trustee’s residence or business address (or such other place as the Trustee may have directed in writing) by mail, electronic mail, messenger, telecopier, or other means of written communication or by telephoning such notice to the Trustee. Any such notice shall set forth the time and place of the meeting.

1.7 **Waiver of Notice.** A Trustee may waive any notice required by law, the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws before or after the date and time stated in the notice, and such waiver shall be equivalent to the giving of such notice. Except as provided in the next paragraph of this section, the waiver shall be in writing, signed by the Trustee entitled to the notice, and filed with the minutes or corporate records.
A Trustee’s attendance at or participation in a meeting waives any required notice to the Trustee of the meeting unless the trustee at the beginning of the meeting or promptly upon arrival objects to holding the meeting or transacting business at the meeting and does not thereafter vote for or assent to action taken at the meeting.

1.8 **Quorum; Voting.** A majority of the number of Trustees then serving shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of the Board of Trustees. The act of a majority of Trustees present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Trustees. A Trustee who is present at a meeting of the Board of Trustees or a committee of the Board of Trustees when a corporate action is taken is deemed to have assented to the action taken unless the Trustee (i) objects at the beginning of the meeting, or promptly upon arrival, to holding it or transacting specified business at the meeting; or (ii) votes against, or abstains from, the action taken.

1.9 **Telephonic Meetings.** The Board of Trustees may permit Trustees to participate in a regular or special meeting by, or conduct the meeting through the use of, any means of communication by which all Trustees participating may simultaneously hear each other during the meeting. A Trustee participating in a meeting by this means is deemed to be present in person at the meeting.

1.10 **Action Without Meeting.** Action required or permitted to be taken at a Board of Trustees’ meeting may be taken without a meeting if the action is taken by all members of the Board. The action shall be evidenced by one or more written consents stating the action taken, signed by each Trustee either before or after the action is taken, and included in the minutes or filed with the corporate records reflecting the action taken. Action taken under this section shall be effective when the last Trustee signs the consent unless the consent specifies a different
effective date and states the date of execution by each Trustee, in which event it shall be
effective according to the terms of the consent.

1.11 **Compensation.** No Trustee shall be entitled to any direct or indirect
compensation related to that person’s services as a Trustee.

1.12 **Resignation.** A Trustee may resign at anytime by delivering written notice to the
President or the Secretary. A resignation shall be effective when delivered, unless the notice
specifies a later effective date.

**ARTICLE II**

**COMMITTEES OF TRUSTEES**

2.1 **Committees.** The Foundation shall have the committees set forth in this Article.
In addition, the Board of Trustees may create one or more additional committees and appoint
members of the Board of Trustees to serve on them. Unless otherwise provided in these Bylaws,
each committee shall have three or more members who serve at the pleasure of the Board of
Trustees. Subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees and except as may otherwise be
provided in these Bylaws, the President shall appoint all committee members after solicitation of
Trustee preferences and shall designate a Chairman of each committee.

2.2 **Authority of Committees.** Each committee may exercise the authority specified
by the Board of Trustees, except that a committee may not (i) fill vacancies on the Board of
Trustees or on any of its committees; (ii) amend the Articles of Incorporation; (iii) adopt, amend,
or repeal these Bylaws; (iv) approve a plan of merger or consolidation; (v) approve the sale,
lease, or exchange, or the mortgage, pledge, or other disposition of all, or substantially all, of the
property and assets of the Foundation; or (vi) approve revocation of voluntary dissolution
proceedings.
2.3 **Executive Committee.** The Board of Trustees shall have an Executive Committee, which shall have full authority to operate and administer the Foundation between meetings of the Board of Trustees and to act in all situations for the Board of Trustees. The Executive Committee shall consist of the President of the Foundation, the Rector of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University (the “University”), and the Elected Trustees who serve as Chairmen of the committees of the Foundation set forth in this Article II. The President of the University shall have the right to attend and participate in meetings of the Executive Committee but shall not be a member of the Executive Committee and shall not have the right to vote as a member of the Executive Committee.

2.4 **Investment Committee.** The Board of Trustees shall have an Investment Committee. The Investment Committee shall provide general oversight of the security, funding, and investment management of the Foundation’s endowment and investment assets and shall have the authority to select and retain investment managers. The Investment Committee shall also periodically review all investment policies of the Foundation with respect to the investment of its assets and recommend appropriate changes to these policies and the Foundation’s asset allocation and the selection of investment advisors to the Board of Trustees.

2.5 **Governance Committee.** The Board of Trustees shall have a Governance Committee. The Governance Committee shall oversee Trustee engagement and activities, including Trustee orientation and recruitment, review of governing documents, and coordination with the University on the development of the priorities of and agreements between the University and the Foundation.

2.6 **Grant Committee.** The Board of Trustees shall have a Grant Committee. The Grant Committee shall semi-annually reviews requests for funding from the University and its
schools, departments, and divisions or its affiliates on the Monroe Park Campus in accordance with the Foundation’s Grant Program, as amended from time to time by the Board of Trustees.

2.7 Audit Committee. The Board of Trustees shall have an Audit Committee. The Audit Committee shall regularly review with the Foundation’s independent public accountants the annual audit program and the Foundation’s financial statements, and recommend the selection of the Foundation’s independent public accountants.

2.8 Committee Meetings; Miscellaneous. The provisions of these Bylaws that govern meetings, action without meetings, notice and waiver of notice, and quorum and voting requirements of the Board of Trustees shall apply to committees of Trustees and their members as well.

ARTICLE III
OFFICERS

3.1 Officers. The officers of the Foundation shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and other officers and assistant officers as may be deemed necessary or advisable to carry on the business of the Foundation. No person may hold more than one office.

3.2 Election; Term. The Board of Trustees shall elect the officers at the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees each year to serve for a term of one year beginning on the July 1 immediately following the date of the annual meeting or until their successors are elected.

3.3 Resignation; Removal. Any officer may resign at any time upon written notice to the Board of Trustees, and no acceptance of resignation shall be necessary to make it effective. The Board of Trustees may remove any officer or assistant officer at any time, with or without cause.
3.4 **President.** The President shall be a Trustee of the Foundation. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Foundation and, if present, shall chair all meetings of the Board of Trustees. The President shall serve as a member of each committee of the Board of Trustees and shall serve as Chairman of the Executive Committee.

3.5 **Vice President.** The Vice President shall be a Trustee of the Foundation. The Vice President shall serve as the Chairman of the Governance Committee and shall carry out the duties of the President in the event of the absence or disability of the President. The Vice President shall carry out such other duties as may be prescribed by the President or Board of Trustees from time to time.

3.6 **Secretary.** The Secretary, who is not required to be a Trustee of the Foundation, shall be responsible for ensuring that a faithful record of all meetings of the Board of Trustees is kept, notice of time and place for holding special meetings of the Board of Trustees is given, and all documents entrusted to his or her care are filed and safely kept. The Secretary shall carry out such other duties as may be prescribed by the President or Board of Trustees from time to time.

3.7 **Treasurer.** The Treasurer, who is not required to be a Trustee of the Foundation, shall have oversight of the annual budget of the Foundation and review fiscal year-end expenditures and fiscal policies and procedures for the Foundation’s financial operations.

3.8 **Executive Director.** The Foundation shall have an Executive Director who will be responsible for the day-to-day supervision and operation of the Foundation under the direction and control of the President and the Board of Trustees.

**ARTICLE IV**
**MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**
4.1 **Fiscal Year.** The fiscal year of the Foundation shall be determined in the discretion of the Board of Trustees, but in the absence of any such determination it shall be the year beginning on July 1 and ending on June 30.

4.2 **Interpretation.** For the purpose of construing these Bylaws, unless the context indicates otherwise, words in the singular number shall be deemed to include words in the plural and vice versa, and words in one gender shall be deemed to include words in other genders.

4.3 **Amendments.** These Bylaws may be amended or repealed, and new Bylaws may be made by the affirmative vote of a majority of those Trustees present at any meeting of the Board of Trustees, with or without notice of such intended action.

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