William & Mary Mascot Search Sub-Committee
June 30, 2009
Review of Mascot Suggestions to Date

In attendance:

Evans, Granger, and Mathews

A subcommittee of the Mascot Search Committee met on June 30, 2009. The subcommittee was charged with the first review of the mascot ideas. The subcommittee considered the established guidelines and eliminated 85 suggestions because they were not compliant.

Summary of Review
• 26 related to Indians and were eliminated because they are not consistent with NCAA rules.
• 12 related to Lions and were eliminated because ODU is a member of the CAA and their mascot is a lion.
• 10 related to Patriots and were eliminated because GMU is a member of the CAA and their mascot is a patriot.
• 2 related to Tigers and were eliminated because Towson is a member of the CAA and their mascot is a tiger.
• 8 were eliminated because it is not possible to represent them in a costume.
• 3 were eliminated because they suggested “bringing back Ebirt.”
• 20 ideas were eliminated because they do not engender pride or affection for W&M and are not consistent with NCAA rules.
• 4 were eliminated because they were not mascot ideas; they were suggestions that we choose new colors or a new nickname.

The subcommittee also recommended that 9 additional be eliminated. These 9 ideas will be discussed with the full Mascot Search Committee.