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Richard Bland College
of WILLIAM & MARY

**REPORT OF THE RBC FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE
NOVEMBER 2018**

Dr. Matthew Smith

W&M Board of Visitors, RBC Faculty Representative

Faculty Assembly - Committee Updates

Academic Standards and Appeals Committee (Prof. Eric Earnhardt, Chair)

- Re-evaluating the standards for academic suspension and probation

Faculty Affairs Committee (Prof. Dan Franke, Chair)

- Considering adding a professionalism statement to the RBC syllabus template
- Considering revisions to the Faculty Handbook regarding promotions and evaluations of specified-term (i.e. non-tenure track) faculty

Faculty Committee for Student Athlete Success (Prof. Celia Brockway, Chair)

- Developing the Student-Athlete Academic Success Plan (SAASP)
- Student athlete tutoring, mandatory study hall

Instructional Programs and Curriculum Committee (Prof. Dave Morgan, Chair)

- Evaluating changes to the New Course Proposal form
- Discussing process issues relating to the College Catalog, specifically relating to the need for periodic review of prerequisites and course descriptions

Faculty Updates, Accolades, Honors, and Distinctions

Professor Rachel Finney (Spanish)

Prof. Finney attended the Foreign Language Association of Virginia Conference held in Williamsburg, Virginia on October 5th and 6th.

Prof. Alice Henton (English)

Prof. Henton attended the Virginia Writing Center Association's fall meeting held at William & Mary on September 21st.

Prof. Eric Miller (Biology)

Prof. Miller secured a \$10,000 grant from Dominion Energy to revitalize the RBC Nature Trail. More than 130 volunteers from Dominion and RBC assisted in the renovation, which took place in October.

Prof. Jill Mitten (Communications, English, and Theatre)

Prof. Mitten presented Digital Storytelling - Using Snapchat and Instagram to Flip the Classroom for the Teaching and Learning with Technology Conference held at James Madison University on October 29th.

Prof. Alexandra Youmans (English)

Prof. Youmans attended the Mid-Atlantic College Reading and Writing Association's 28th Annual Conference in Ocean City, Maryland on October 19th and 20th.