

Subject: Allegations against State Senator Jennifer Carroll Foy
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From: Tom and Helen Davis
To: BOVSecretary

Jennifer Carroll Foy, VMI 2003, was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor in the election in which Gov Youngkin was elected. The Democratic Party of Virginia did not nominate her and the Democrats lost big. Being female and Black lost her votes and also she had not been active in politics long enough to have name recognition. She is a brilliant lawyer and is married with twin boys.

I am concerned that Ben Cline, a Republican, is making allegations about what she said to make it look like she is making threats to pressure the BOV into extending Gen Wins' contract. Many members of the VMI community fought hard against Wins because they wanted to keep Gen Peay who had already been Superintendent for 17 years—next after Gen Smith's record 50 years and tied with two other early Superintendents. Some of these continue to oppose Wins for reasons unknown to me.

Please make your decision on Gen Wins' contract based on concrete evaluations of his management of the Institute since he became Superintendent. Not renewing the contract would be a vote of no confidence and would lead to a period with no Supe with various factions putting forward their own candidates. If Gen Wins has not done his job with due diligence, then you should fire him for causes which will be made public.

Respectfully,
Helen B. Davis
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Thomas W Davis, '64, Emeritus Professor of History, read this and agreed with much of it, but would not sign it because he did not write it.
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