PUBLIC-INSTITUTION GOVERNANCE IN UNPRECEDENTED TIMES:
AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM FOR RECENT BOARD APPOINTEES

October 20, 2020

1:15 – 1:20pm  
**Welcome and Recognitions**  
- Peter Blake, Director, State Council of Higher Ed (SCHEV)

1:20 – 1:25pm  
**Overview of Event and Introduction of Cabinet Officers**  
- Marge Connelly, Chair, SCHEV Council

1:25 – 2:10pm  
**Perspectives on Board Service from the Executive Branch**  
- The Honorable Kelly Thomasson, Secretary of the Commonwealth  
- The Honorable Atif Qarni, Secretary of Education  
- The Honorable Megan Healy, Chief Workforce Officer  
- The Honorable Janice Underwood, Chief Diversity Officer  
- The Honorable Aubrey Layne, Secretary of Finance  
- Conclusions and Instruction of Next Session: Katharine Webb, Secretary, SCHEV Council

2:10 – 2:45pm  
**How Service on the Governing Board of a Public Institution of Higher Ed is Unique from All Other Board Service**  
[Board members are asked to review in advance the relevant resources provided under the “2020 Pre-Reading Materials” heading at [https://schev.edu/index/institutional/Boardsofvisitors]](https://schev.edu/index/institutional/Boardsofvisitors)  
- Introduction: Tom Slater, Vice Chair, SCHEV Council  
- Presenter: Henry Stoever, President and CEO, Association of Governing Boards (AGB)  
- Conclusions and Introduction of Next Session: Ken Ampy, Chair, Academic Affairs Committee, SCHEV Council

2:45 – 3:15pm  
**Legal and Ethical Considerations for Board Service in Virginia**  
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- Presenter: Deb Love, Chief, Education Section, Office of the Attorney General
● Presenter: Alan Gernhardt, Executive Director, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Council
● Conclusions and Instructions regarding the Break: Peter Blake, Director, SCHEV

3:15 – 3:25pm  BREAK

3:25 – 4:15pm  The ABCs of Higher Ed Finance: State Budgeting (and Cutting); Institutional Budget Planning; Board Tuition-and-Fee Setting; Student-debt Trends
● Introductions and Moderator: Victoria Harker, Chair, Resources and Planning Committee, SCHEV Council
● Presenter: Michael Maul, Deputy Director, Department of Planning and Budget
● Presenter: Amy Sebring, Chief Operating Officer, William & Mary
● Conclusions and Transition to Next Session, Peter Blake

4:15 – 5:15pm  Overcoming Systemic Racism in Higher Education: Toward Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
● Introduction: Alex Arriaga, Member, SCHEV Council
● Speaker: Toya Barnes-Teamer, Principal, Higher Education Team, HCM Strategists
● Conclusions: Alex Arriaga

5:15  Reflections on Day 1 and Preview of Day 2
● Peter Blake, Director, SCHEV

October 21, 2020

8:00 – 8:30am  VOLUNTARY Virtual Coffee (Half) Hour
● Board members, SCHEV Council members and Speakers

8:30 – 8:35am  Welcome
● Peter Blake, Director, SCHEV

8:35 – 8:40am  Overview of the Day and Introduction of the Governor
● Marge Connelly, Chair, SCHEV Council

8:40 – 9:00am  Perspectives on Board Service from the Governor
The Honorable Ralph Northam, Governor of the Commonwealth
Appreciation and Introduction of Next Session: Marge Connelly, Chair, SCHEV Council

9:00 – 10:05 am

A Perfect Storm of Challenges for Virginia Boards: Demographic Change, Economic Uncertainty and Social Unrest Before, During and After a Pandemic

- Moderator: Marge Connelly, Chair, SCHEV Council
- Discussant: Stephen Moret, President and CEO, Virginia Economic Development Partnership and Member, SCHEV Council
- Discussant: Anne Holton, former Secretary of Education and former interim president, George Mason University
- Conclusions: Rosa Atkins, Member, SCHEV Council; Superintendent, Charlottesville City Schools
- Instructions for the Break: Peter Blake, Director, SCHEV

10:05 – 10:20 am

BREAK

10:20 – 11:25 am

Timely Topics in Student Life, Wellness and Campus Safety

- Introductions and Moderator: Fran Bradford, Deputy Secretary of Education
- Discussant: Kelly Crace, Associate Vice President, Health and Wellness, William & Mary
- Discussant: Kevin Foust, Associate Vice President, Safety and Security, Virginia Tech
- Respondent: Reena Medavarapu, Undergraduate Student, Virginia Tech; Co-Chair, SCHEV Student Advisory Committee
- Conclusions and Introduction of Next Session: Thaddeus Holloman, Member, SCHEV Council

11:25 am – 12:15 pm

Reflections on the Lessons of 2020: Conversation with Board Rectors and Institutional Presidents

- Moderator: Alvin Schexnider, Senior Fellow, Association of Governing Boards; former Chancellor, Winston-Salem State University
- Discussant: James Hazel, Rector, George Mason University
- Discussant: Huron Winstead, Rector, Virginia State University
- Discussant: Glenn DuBois, Chancellor, Virginia Community College System

12:15 – 12:25 pm

Synthesis and Appreciation

- Peter Blake, Director, SCHEV
12:25 – 12:30pm  Information on Presentation of Appointment Commissions
   ●  Kelly Thomasson, Secretary of the Commonwealth

12:30pm  ADJOURNMENT