



# STATE COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR VIRGINIA

## **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: Katie 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>]
- Introduction: Tom Slater, Vice Chair, SCHEV Council
  - Presenter: Henry Stoeber, 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 – 10:05am

***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 – 10:20am

**BREAK**

10:20 – 11:25am

***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: Thad Holloman, Member, SCHEV Council

11:25am – 12:15pm

***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 – 12:25pm

***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**

