

Virginia Electoral Board Association
Board of Directors Meeting by Zoom
July 7, 2025, **Draft**

Present:

John Nunnally, President; Wanda Taylor, 1st Vice President; Rick Michael, 2nd Vice President and Legislative Committee; Denise Doyle, Treasurer; Jody Elson, Secretary; JoAnne Speiden, Immediate Past President; Josepha Thompson, IT; Kate Hanley, Extra Large Districts; Jane Hurst, Programming/Planning for VEBA annual meeting.

District Directors:

Paul Kitchen (Floyd), Southern; Kimberly Phillip (Arlington), Northern; Clara Belle Wheeler (Albermarle), Western; Donna Dagner (Lunenburg), Southern; Irma Mitchell (Tazewell), Southwest; Mike Ziegenfuss (Norfolk) Tidewater

Absent:

Lynette Clements (Chesterfield), North Central and Legislative Committee.

Guests:

Shelley Oberlander, Mary McDaniel, Katherine Elam, Heidi Stirrup, (Troy Craddock and Tyler Garrett- Legislative Strategies Group, LLC, our VEBA Lobbyist)

Mr. Nunnally opened the meeting at 8:00 am.

Opening Statements:

Guest Comments: No comments

Approval of June 2, 2025 minutes:

Mr. Paul Kitchen made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2025 meeting. Ms. JoAnne Speiden seconded. The motion passed.

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Treasurer's Report:

- Checking account balance 6/30 = \$177,568
- CD 4038 - \$12,911
- CD 1285 - \$32,878
 - Total CD = \$45,789

The report was accepted.

133 Localities have paid out of 135.

Unfinished Business:

Tyler Garrett and Troy Craddock, Legislative Strategies Group, LLC, our VEBA Lobbyist will be joining us on the monthly zoom meetings.

Mr. Kitchen discussed the VEBA membership manual. Josepha will set up a link for the VEBA Board to access for review.

Elect – Richmond - July 30, 2025 – 9 – 11 am Electoral Board and Registrars meeting with lunch then VEBA Bootcamp – 12:30 – 6:30pm.

New Business:

John Nunnally - The VEBA Annual Meeting planning committee will start to meet within the next two months.

Josepha Thompson and Denise Doyle are researching companies who process credit cards. VEBA would like to be able to offer this as another form of payment for registration and purchase of retail items.

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Leadership Updates:

- Ms. Speiden: Everyone is on the EB List. EB are using Registrars email which can become a problem getting information out.
- Ms. Taylor: Finance Committee meeting – 3 members serve on the committee – Tim Nick, Rodger and May Daniels. Each serve a 3 year term.
- Ms. Hurst: Ready to get started on planning for the annual meeting.
- Ms. Hanley: On Saturday, June 28th Fire House – turn out 41,000. Chat Peterson – Fairfax City was appt. to the State Board.
- Ms. Elson: None
- Ms. Doyle: None
- Mr. Michael – Everyone needs to reach out to our legislative leaders.

- Ms. Dagner: Meeting on Sept. 6th. Invited Delegate Clarke and CISA
- Mr. Kitchen: Southern District and Southwest District meeting at Radford University set for August 28. Who is attending from the VEBA Board?
- Ms. Phillip: Talk to Senator Evans about early voting.
- Ms. Wheeler: District meeting will be on two Saturdays.
- Ms. Mitchell: She has not had a good response on attendance at the District Meeting.
- Mr. Ziegenfuss: Tentative date for District Meeting – August 11th. Should have a firm date by Wednesday, July 9th.
- Ms. Thompson: Planning for annual meeting. Post times for upcoming training.

Legislative Committee: Troy and Tyler will be meetings this summer with the legislative committee. Paul Kitchen asked that the committee to look at 24.2-108 – compensation for Electoral Board and 24.2-116 compensation for Officers of Election. Kate asked if the committee heard anything about consolidated election to every other year. – Per Troy and Tyler this is just a talking point right now.

The next Zoom meeting will be Monday, August 4, 2025, 8:00 am.

The board adjourned at 8:59 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Jody Elson
VEBA Secretary
Secretary, Electoral Board City of Winchester

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Events and Meeting Calendar

- VEBA Board of Directors Meeting – Monday, August 4, 2025 via Zoom
- Southern and Southwest (combined) District Meeting - August 28, 2025
- Northern District Meeting – September 5, 2025
- South Central District Meeting- September 6, 2025