

2020 VASS-VASBO WINTER CONFERENCE

“State and Local Budgets and Legislative Advocacy”

January 5-7, 2020

Hilton Richmond Downtown

SUNDAY, JAN. 5

- 4:30 – 6:00 pm VASS Board of Directors Meeting – *River City Ballroom A/B*
- 6:00 pm Dinner for VASS Board Members at a local restaurant sponsored by VACORP and Mark III Employee Benefits
- 6:00 – 8:00 pm VASBO Executive Team Dinner Meeting – *Amethyst Room*

MONDAY, JAN. 6

- 8:30 – 11:00 am Roundtable Discussion – *River City Ballroom C*
“Forecast5 Analytics End User Group Session”
Introduction:
Brook Thomas, VASBO President and Chief Financial Officer, Northampton County Schools
Presenters:
Whitney West, Forecast5, VASS Associate Partner/VASBO Diamond Partner
- 8:30 – 10:00 am VASS Professional Development Committee Meeting – *River City Ballroom A/B*
- 10:00 – 11:30 am VASS Blueprint Committee – *River City Ballroom A/B*
- 10:00 – 11:30 am VASBO Management Team Meeting – *Amethyst Room*
- 10:30 – 11:45 am Registration – *River City Prefunction Area*
- 11:45 – 1:30 pm Luncheon & Presentations – *MRG Ballroom*
Welcoming Remarks
Ben Kiser, Executive Director, Virginia Association of School Superintendents
Steve Bateson, Executive Director, Virginia Association of School Business Officials
- 12:15 pm Presentation
“Cyber Security: The Challenge and What You Can Do”
Introduction:
Brook Thomas, VASBO President and Chief Financial Officer, Northampton County Schools

Presenter:

Terry McAuliffe, Former Governor, Commonwealth of Virginia (to invite)

12:45 pm

Presentation

“The State of the State Budget and the Governor’s Budget Proposals”

Introduction:

Amy Griffin, VASS President-elect and Division Superintendent, Cumberland County

Presenter:

Jim Regimbal, Co-Founder, Fiscal Analytics, Ltd. (confirmed)

1:30 – 1:45 pm

Break/Vendor Visitation

1:45 – 2:30 pm

Panel Discussion

“Political & Budget Implications of the November Election and How to Talk to Your Legislators about Your Division’s Funding Challenges”

Moderator:

Tom Smith, VASS Legislative Liaison

Panelists:

JT Kessler, VSBA Government Relations Specialist (to invite)

Kathy Burcher, Director, Office of Government Relations and Research, VEA (confirmed)

Michael Molloy, Director, Office of Government Relations, Fairfax County Public Schools (confirmed)

Jim Roberts, Retired Division Superintendent, Chesapeake City (confirmed)

2:30 – 3:00 pm

Presentation

“Regional Special Education Funding”

Introduction:

John Broderick, VASBO Director and Director of Finance and Operations, Sussex County Schools

Presenter:

Christina Berta, Assistant Superintendent for Budget and Finance, Virginia Department of Education (confirmed)

Samantha Hollins, Assistant Superintendent, Department of Special Education and Student Services, Virginia Department of Education (confirmed)

- 3:00 – 3:30 pm Presentation
“VRS Update”
 Introduction:
Scott Brabrand, VASS Secretary/Treasurer and Division Superintendent,
 Fairfax County
 Presenter:
Patricia Bishop, Director, Virginia Retirement System (confirmed)
- 3:30 – 3:45 pm Break/Vendor Visitation
- 3:45 – 4:30 pm Panel Presentation & Discussion
“Virginia’s Early Childhood Initiative”
 Moderator:
Doug Schuch, VASS President and Division Superintendent, Bedford County
 Panelists:
Pamela Northam, The First Lady of the Commonwealth of Virginia (to invite)
Holly Coy, Deputy Superintendent of Education, Commonwealth of Virginia
 (confirmed)
3 Superintendents from Pilot School Divisions (to invite)
- 5:30 – 7:00 pm Reception in Honor of the Members of the Virginia General Assembly – *Thirst & Fifth Gastro Pub* – Hotel Lobby

TUESDAY. JAN. 7

- 5:30 – 6:15 am Fun “Run-Walk” Networking Activity
 Facilitator:
John Broderick, VASBO Director and Director of Finance and Operations,
 Sussex County Schools
- 7:00 – 8:00 am Breakfast – *MRG Ballroom*
- 8:00 – 8:30 am Presentation – *MRG Ballroom*
 Remarks and Introduction:
James Lane, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Commonwealth of Virginia
 (confirmed)
The Honorable Ralph Northam, Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia (to
 invite)

8:30 – 9:15 am	<p>Dialogue</p> <p><i>“General Assembly Members’ Perspectives on 2020 Legislation and the State Budget”</i></p> <p>Moderator:</p> <p>David Sovine, VASS Legislative Chair and Division Superintendent, Frederick County</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <p>The Honorable L. Louise Lucas, Senate of Virginia (confirmed)</p>
9:15 – 9:45 am	<p>Presentation</p> <p><i>“Dominion Energy’s Electric Bus Initiative”</i></p> <p>Introduction:</p> <p>Laura Fornash, VASS Legislative Liaison</p> <p>Presenter:</p> <p>??? (confirmed)</p>
9:45 – 10:00 am	<p>Break/Vendor Visitation</p>
10:00 – 11:00 am	<p><i>“How Are School Divisions Planning to Address the Governor’s Proposed Budget and Other Financial Issues?” – Salons A, B, C & Sections of MRG Ballroom</i></p> <p>Small Group Discussions by School Division Size</p>
11:00 – 11:15 am	<p>Break/Vendor Visitation</p>
11:15 – 12:15 pm	<p>Break-out Sessions</p> <p><i>“Improve the K–12 Procurement Process and Ensuring Students Have the Resources They Need to Succeed” – Salons A</i></p> <p>Presenter:</p> <p>Michael Levin (confirmed)</p> <p><i>“Cyber Security Solutions” – Salon B</i></p> <p>Presenter:</p> <p>Michael Doerr (confirmed)</p> <p><i>“Equity, Leadership and Finance” – Salon C</i></p> <p>Presenter:</p> <p>Education Elements (confirmed)</p>

“School Safety and Security Funding” – Section of MRG Ballroom

Presenter:

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“ESSA Data Continuity and Update on ESSA School Expenditures Reporting” – Section of the MRG Ballroom

Presenters:

Kent Dickey, Deputy Superintendent of Finance, Virginia Department of Education (confirmed)

Christina Berta, Assistant Superintendent for Budget and Finance, Virginia Department of Education (confirmed)

12:15 – 12:30 pm

Break/Vendor Visitation

12:30 – 1:30 pm

VASBO Membership Business Meeting, Luncheon & Recognitions – *MRG Ballroom*

VASBO Past President's Nominations Luncheon Meeting

VASBO Closing Remarks