



VASS-VASBO Virtual Winter Conference

DRAFT Program – January 11, 2021

- 9:00 – 9:10 AM Welcome, Recognition of Partners, and Introductions (10 mins)
- Scott Brabrand**, VASS President and Division Superintendent, Fairfax County
Christina Berta, VASBO President and Assistant Superintendent for Budget and Finance, Virginia Department of Education
- 9:10 – 9:50 AM Presentation: Analysis of the Governor’s Proposed Budget and the State Budget (40 mins)
- Sponsored by: VASS Senior Partners and VASBO Diamond Sponsors Forecast5 Analytics and American Fidelity; VASS Senior Partner and VASBO Platinum Sponsor Horace Mann Insurance; VASS Partner and VASBO Gold Sponsor Pierce Group Benefits; VASS Senior Partners Amazon Business, Moseley Architects and CrisisGo; and VASBO Platinum Sponsors VACORP and The Supply Room
- Jim Regimbal**, Co-founder, Fiscal Analytics, Ltd. (confirmed)
- 9:50 – 10:30 AM Potential Legislative Issues for the 2021 Session and their Financial Implications (40 mins)
- Sponsored by: VASS Senior Associate Partners DreamBox Math Learning and Edgenuity; VASS Associate Partners Audio Enhancement, Istation, and Virginia Risk Sharing Association; VASBO Gold Sponsors Sonny Merryman, Sodexo, The Nutrition Group, and ABM Technical Services
- The Honorable George Baker**, Senate of Virginia (invited)
- The Honorable Eileen Filler-Corn**, Virginia House of Delegates (invited)
- The Honorable Kirk Cox**, Virginia House of Delegates (invited)
- The Honorable Luke Torian**, Virginia House of Delegates (invited)

- 10:30 – 11:00 AM COVID 19-related Unemployment Issues and their Impact on School Divisions (30 mins)
- Sponsored by: VASS Associate Partners Houghton-Mifflin Harcourt, Renaissance, Reading Plus, RethinkED, Stantec, TRANE, Veritiv, and Vocabulary.com; and VASBO Silver Sponsor Keystone Information Systems
- Megan Healy**, Chief Workforce Advisor to the Governor, Office of the Governor, Commonwealth of Virginia (confirmed)
- 11:00 – 11:30 AM Panel Discussion: Collective Bargaining and Its Financial Ramifications for School Divisions (30 mins)
- Sponsored by: VASS Associate Partners Lexia Learning, Mark III Employee Benefits, NWEA, Participate Learning, Paymerang, PowerSchool, and Virginia Lottery; and VASBO Silver Sponsor Virginia Retirement Specialists
- Brenda Pike** Executive Director, VEA (confirmed)
- Stephen Devita**, Division Counsel, Loudoun County Public Schools (invited)
- Jeremy Bennett**, Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, VACO (confirmed)
- Jeff Carew**, Forecast5 Analytics (confirmed)
- 11:30 – 12:10 pm Break-outs addressing specific topics (40 mins):
- Lessons Learned During the Pandemic to Improve Learning and Instruction in the Future
- Scott Kizner**, Chair, VASS Professional Learning Committee, and Division Superintendent, Stafford County (confirmed)
- Jared Cotton**, Division Superintendent, Chesapeake City (confirmed)
- Sarah Calveric**, Division Superintendent, Caroline County (confirmed)
- Innovative Staffing Solutions for Challenging Times
- Enhancing Communication about the Relationship between Instruction and Finance
- Christina Berta**, VASBO President and Assistant Superintendent for Budget and Finance, Virginia Department of Education (confirmed)

Laura Abel, VASS President-elect and Division Superintendent, West Point
(confirmed)

12:10 – 12:25 Break (15 mins)

12:25 – 12:45 PM The Status of Broadband Access in Virginia (20 mins)

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Evan Feinman, The Governor's Chief Broadband Advisor, Commonwealth of Virginia (confirmed)

12:45 – 1:15 PM Break-outs to discuss the issues above (30 mins)

1:15 – 2:00 PM The Status of Federal Funding and What to Expect (including a basic overview of the E-Rate) (45 mins)

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Noelle Ellerson, , Associate Executive Director of Advocacy and Governance,AASA (confirmed)

Elleka Yost, Government Affairs and Communications Manager, ASBO (confirmed)