BOARDS OF VISITORS ORIENTATION
For the Public Good: Stewarding Public Institutions in Changing Times
October 21-22, 2014
Richmond, Virginia

Tuesday, October 21: Capitol Building

3:30 - 4:00 p.m. CHECK-IN AND NETWORKING
House Room 3, Capitol Building (Bank Street entrance)

4:00 - 4:30 p.m. Welcome, Introductions and Overview
• Peter Blake, Director, SCHEV
• Gil Minor, Chair, SCHEV Council

4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Perspectives of the McAuliffe Administration on Board Service
Introductions: Gil Bland, SCHEV Council
• Terry McAuliffe, Governor of Virginia (Video Remarks)
• Ric Brown, Secretary of Finance
• Anne Holton, Secretary of Education
• Nancy Rodrigues, Secretary of Administration
• Levar Stoney, Secretary of the Commonwealth

5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act
Introductions: Steve Haner, SCHEV Council
• Maria Everett, Executive Director, FOIA Advisory Council
• Ron Forehand, Education Section Chief and Senior Assistant Attorney General

6:00 - 7:30 p.m. RECEPTION
Rotunda, Capitol Building
Remarks
• Gil Minor, Chair, SCHEV Council
• Mark Herring, Attorney General of Virginia
Wednesday, October 22: Capitol Building

7:45 - 8:15 a.m.  
**REGISTRATION, REFRESHMENTS AND NETWORKING**
Senate Room 3, Capitol Building (Bank Street entrance)

8:15 - 8:30 a.m.  
**Greetings and Opening Remarks**
House Room 3, Capitol Building
- Gil Minor, Chair, SCHEV Council

8:30 - 9:15 a.m.  
**Current and Future Issues in Higher Education**
- Peter Blake, Director, SCHEV

9:15 - 10:30 a.m.  
**Best Practices of High-performing Public-Institution Boards**
*Introduction:* Gil Bland, SCHEV Council
- Rick Legon, President, Association of Governing Boards (AGB)
*Closing:* Johanna Chase, Secretary, SCHEV Council

10:30 - 10:45 a.m.  
**BREAK**

10:45 - 12:15 p.m.  
**Higher Education Finance: State and Institutional Considerations**
*Introductions:* Gene Lockhart, SCHEV Council
*Moderator:* Leonard Sandridge, Senior Advisor to the Board of Visitors, University of Virginia
- **Affordability and Costs**
  Del. Kirk Cox, Chair of Higher Education Subcommittee, House Appropriations
  Sen. Walter Stosch, Co-Chair, Senate Finance
- **Budgeting (including Tuition-setting)**
  Sam Jones, Vice President for Finance, The College of William & Mary
  Ron Tillett, Board Member, Christopher Newport University

12:15 - 1:15 p.m.  
**LUNCH**
Senate Room 3, Capitol Building

**Major Issues and Boards’ Responsibilities**
- Peter Blake, Director, SCHEV

1:15 - 2:15 p.m.  
**Legal Responsibilities and Institutional Ethics**
House Room 3, Capitol Building
*Introductions:* Henry Light, SCHEV Council
- **Roles of Legal Counsel**
  Ron Forehand, Education Section Chief and Senior Assistant Attorney General
- **Requirements of the Conflict of Interest Act (COIA)**
  Tim Oksman, Opinions Counsel for the Attorney General
- **Campus Safety and Student Welfare**
  Elizabeth Griffin, Education Section Senior Assistant Attorney General
2:15 - 2:30 p.m.  **BREAK**

2:30 - 4:00 p.m.  **Effective Institutional Governance**

*Introductions*: Carlyle Ramsey, SCHEV Council  
*Moderator*: Rick Legon, President, Association of Governing Boards (AGB)

- Dorcas Helfant-Browning, Chair, State Board of Community Colleges  
- Deborah Petrine, Rector, Virginia Tech  
- Michael Rao, President, Virginia Commonwealth University  
- Paul Trible, President, Christopher Newport University

4:00 - 4:30 p.m.  **Synthesis and Appreciation**

- Peter Blake, Director, SCHEV
- Gil Minor, Chair, SCHEV Council

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**Planning Committee Members**

Peter Blake, *State Council of Higher Education for Virginia*  
Gil Bland, *State Council of Higher Education for Virginia*  
Fran Bradford, *The College of William & Mary*  
Elizabeth Griffin, *Office of the Attorney General*  
Mike Melis, *Office of the Attorney General*  
Kelly Mercer, *Office of the Governor*  
Keith Miller, *Virginia State University*  
Carlyle Ramsey, *State Council of Higher Education for Virginia*  
Leonard Sandridge, *University of Virginia*  
Mark Smith, *George Mason University*  
Ron Tillett, *Christopher Newport University*  
Dietra Trent, *Office of the Governor*