Policy Briefing

Academic Research: Challenges and Opportunities for the Commonwealth

1. Call to Order

2. Overview and Introductions
   - Peter Blake, Interim Director, SCHEV

3. Background and Context
   Setting the Stage for a Discussion of Academic Research
   - Alan Edwards, Policy Studies Director, SCHEV

4. Current Efforts and Recent Developments
   Aligning Virginia’s Research Investments with Commonwealth Priorities
   - Nancy Vorona, Vice President for Research Investment, Center for Innovative Technology
   - Robert Stolle, Vice President for Regional Growth Programs, Center for Innovative Technology

5. Current and Future Policy Issues
   Accelerating Innovation in Virginia: The Role of Research Universities
   - William R. Knocke, Associate Vice President for Research Programs, Virginia Tech
   - Thomas C. Skalak, Vice President for Research, University of Virginia

6. Summary and Discussion
   - Peter Blake, Interim Director, SCHEV

7. Adjournment