# Virginia Board for People with Disabilities

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## Executive Committee Agenda

**Renoir B**

**Four Points Sheraton Hotel – 4700 S Laburnum Avenue, Richmond, VA 23231**

**December 2, 2026**

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|---|---|
| 8:00 | Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions, Allison Coles-Johnson |
| 8:15 | Review of Executive Committee Meeting Agenda (**Attachment EC 1**), Allison Coles-Johnson |
| 8:17 | Approval of September 9, 2026, Executive Committee Minutes, **ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment EC 2)**, Allison Coles-Johnson |
| 8:20 | Board Member Attendance **(Attachment EC 3)**, Jason Withers |
| 8:25 | Questions on Executive Director's Update **(Attachment EC 4)**, John Eisenberg |
| 8:30 | Questions on Agency Fiscal Report **(Attachment EC 5)**, Jason Withers |
| 8:35 | Discussion – Federal Budget/Policy Updates/Concerns, Jen Krajewski |
| 8:45 | Electronic Meeting & Participation Policy **(Attachment BD 2)**, John Eisenberg |
| 8:50 | Committee agendas, Committee Chairs/Staff |
| 9:00 | Other Business & Adjourn |

**Note: Attachment EC 6** provides an overview of progress in the 4th quarter of federal fiscal year 2026 (October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026) towards meeting the FFYs 2022-26 State Plan goals and objectives. Committee Chairs should share relevant information with their respective committees.

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## Board Meeting Agenda

**September 9, 2026 – Four Points by Sheraton – 4700 S Laburnum Avenue, Richmond, VA 23231**

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|---|---|
| **8:00 – 9:00** | **Executive Committee: Renoir B (Attachment EC 1)** |
| **9:15 – 12:00** | **FULL BOARD CONVENES – Location: Monet D&E** |
| 9:15 | Welcome, Call to Order, Introductions, Allison Coles-Johnson |
| 9:45 | Approval of September 9, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes, **ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment BD 1),** Allison Coles-Johnson |
| 9:47 | Approval of the Electronic Participation and Meeting Policy, **ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment BD 2)** |
| 9:52 | Public Comment |
| 9:55 | Facilitated Board Activity: Identifying presentation topics, desired speakers and policy discussions for future Board Meetings |
| **10:35** | **Break** |
| 10:50 | Facilitated Board Activity (Continued) |

11:10 Report Out and Prioritize Results of Activity

11:35 New VBPD Communications Resources & VBPD Social Media Sites

**12:00 Full Board Adjourns – Break for Lunch & Board Member Networking**

**12:45 – 2:15 COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Advocacy, Outreach, and Training – **Renoir A**
Investment Committee – **Renoir B**
Policy Advisory Committee – **Renoir C**

**2:15 BREAK**

2:30 **Standing Committee Reports and Discussion**:

Report of the Investment Committee, Kristie Bowie-Young

- Approval of Self-Advocate Scholarship Funding Request (READY) from Come As You Are, **ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment BD 3)**
- Approval of Self-Advocate Scholarship Funding Request (BRIDGE) from Come As You Are, **ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment BD 4)**
- Approval to Release Anti-bullying RFP, **ACTION REQUIRED (Supplemental Packet)**

Report of the Advocacy, Outreach and Training Committee, Cynthia Pettus

Report of the Policy Advisory Committee, Kyle Jones

Report of the Executive Committee, Allison Coles-Johnson

3:15 Other Business & Adjourn

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# Advocacy, Outreach and Training Committee Agenda

**December 2, 2026**

Renoir A

| Time | Agenda Item | Speaker |
|---|---|---|
| 12:45 p.m. | Call to Order and Review Agenda **(Attachment AOT 1)** | Cynthia Pettus, Chair |
| 12:50 p.m. | Introductions | Cynthia Pettus, Chair |
| 12:55 p.m. | Review and Approval of September 2026 Meeting Minutes **(Attachment AOT 2)** | Cynthia Pettus, Chair |
| 1:00 p.m. | Executive Committee Update | Cynthia Pettus, Chair |
| 1:05 p.m. | • PIP Update **(Attachment AOT 3)** • TA & Statewide Educational Events Update **(Attachment AOT 4)** • YLA Update **(Attachment AOT 5)** | Dr. Penni Sweetenburg-Lee |
| 1:30 p.m. | • Communications Activities Update **(Attachment AOT 6)** • Discussion: Video Project Topics | Anita Ayres |
| 1:50 p.m. | Behavioral Health Care for People with DD: Presentation and Discussion | Jennifer Faison, Executive Director of the Virginia Association of Community Services Boards (VACSB) |
| 2:10 p.m. | Future Meeting Topics | Cynthia Pettus, Chair |
| 2:15 p.m. | Adjourn | Cynthia Pettus, Chair |

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# Investment Committee Agenda

**December 2, 2026**

Room – Renoir B

| Time | Agenda Item | Speaker |
|---|---|---|
| 12:45 p.m. | Call to Order and Review of Agenda **(Attachment IC 1)** | Kristie Bowie-Young, Chair |
| 12:55 p.m. | Approval of September 9, 2026, Minutes **ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment IC 2)** | Kristie Bowie-Young, Chair |
| 1:00 p.m. | Grants and Contracts - Updates and Discussion<br>• Approval of BRIDGE Self-Advocate Scholarship Funding Request from Come As You Are, **ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment BD 3)**<br>• Approval of READY Self-Advocate Scholarship Funding Request from Come As You Are, **ACTION REQUIRED (Attachment BD 4)**<br>• Approval to Release Anti-Bullying RFP, **ACTION REQUIRED (Supplemental Packet)**<br>• Expenditures Report **(Attachment IC 3)**<br>• Technical Assistance Form Discussion **(Attachment IC 4)** | Aieshia Poole, Staff |
| 2:15 p.m. | Adjourn | Kristie Bowie-Young, Chair |

**2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Break**

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# Policy Advisory Committee Agenda

**December 2, 2026**

Room Renoir C

| Time | Agenda Item | Speaker |
|---|---|---|
| 12:45 p.m. | Call to Order & Introductions **(Attachment PAC 1)** | Kyle Jones |
| 12:50 p.m. | Approval of September 9, 2026 Minutes **(Attachment PAC 2)** | Kyle Jones |
| 12:55 p.m. | Executive Committee Update | Jen Krajewski |
| 1:00 p.m. | Presentation: Dignity Of Risk | Taneika Goldman, MPA<br>State Human Rights Director |
| 2:00 p.m. | Update on Assessments **(Attachment PAC 3)** | Jen Krajewski |
| 2:05 p.m. | Update on Liaison Activities **(Attachment PAC 4)** | Jen Krajewski |
| 2:10 p.m. | Other Business/Discussion | Kyle Jones |
| 2:15 p.m. | Adjourn | Kyle Jones |