



**MINUTES**  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
June 12, 2024

**ATTENDANCE**

**Trustees:**

Sissy Crowther, Chair

Viola Baskerville

Eleanor Brown

Elsie Delva

Tack Richardson

Absent: Ali Afonja, Elizabeth Copeland

**Staff:**

Brett Glymph, Executive Director

Ruth Babylon, Sr. Conservation Specialist

Leslie Grayson, Deputy Director

Heather Hall, Contracting Manager

Martha Little, Deputy Director

Tommy Oravetz, Sr Conservation Specialist

**Other Attendees:**

Dr. Michael Hickman, Calfee Cultural and Community Ctr.

Guy Smith, T. G. Howard Community Center

Jill Williams, Calfee Cultural and Community Ctr.

Meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Sissy Crowther, Chair.

The meeting began with a welcome from Guy Smith, Executive Director of the T.G. Howard Community Center in Pulaski, VA. Lunch was served and then Guy gave a talk on the origins of the project, the enormous support from the community and future plans. The Community Center recently had its grand opening and Guy thanked the staff and trustees providing the initial significant funding to get the project off the ground. and

The meeting and participants then proceeded to the Calfee Cultural and Community Center where they were met by Board President Dr. Michael "Mickey" Hickman and Jill Williams. Dr. Hickman (a student at the Calfee School from grades 1 – 3) gave a presentation of the history of Pulaski and the town's connection to the broader story of desegregation in Virginia While the opening of the Calfee CCC is dependent on additional funding, Jill and Mickey thanked the trustees and staff for the original PTF grant in the very early stages of the planning process. This presentation is on file with the permanent record of this meeting.

The meeting adjourned.