

SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 9:30 am
Central Laboratory, Classrooms 1 & 2
Draft Agenda

- I. **Call to Order and Welcome** – *Erin P. Forry, Chair*
- II. **Adoption of Agenda**
- III. **Approval of Minutes from October 7, 2025 Meeting**
- IV. **Chair’s Report, if any**
- V. **Report from the Toxicology Subcommittee** – *Marc A. LeBeau, Ph.D., Subcommittee Chair*
- VI. **Report from Controlled Substances Subcommittee** – *Richard P. Meyers, Subcommittee Chair*
- VII. **Report from Trace Evidence Subcommittee** – *Christopher R. Bommarito, Subcommittee Chair*
- VIII. **Report from Forensic Biology Subcommittee** – *Kathleen Corrado, Ph.D., Subcommittee Chair*
- IX. **Report from Firearms & Toolmarks Subcommittee** – *William E. Demuth, II, Subcommittee Chair*
- X. **DFS Director’s Report** – *Director Linda Jackson*
 - Agency Updates
 - Facilities
 - Workloads / Backlogs
 - Resources
- XI. **Division of Technical Services (DTS) Updates**
 - DTS Update – *Alka B. Lohmann, Director of Technical Services*
 - Chemistry Program Update – *Robyn Weimer, Program Manager*
 - Forensic Biology Program Update – *Elizabeth Ballard, Program Manager*
 - Physical Evidence Program Update – *Samantha Glass, Program Manager*
 - Toxicology Program Update – *James Hutchings, Ph.D., Program Manager*
 - Evidence Receiving Update – *Ellen Spain, Program Manager*
- XII. **Old Business**
 - Update on the Mary Jane Burton Cases
 - Mary Jane Burton Case File Review Status
Christina Barnes Arrington, Ph.D., Senior Methodologist, Virginia State Crime Commission
 - MJB Cases

XIII. New Business

- Proposed Amendments to the Scientific Advisory Committee By-Laws – *Amy Jenkins, Chief Deputy Director*
- Annual Election of Board Chair and Vice Chair– *Amy Jenkins, Chief Deputy Director*

XIV. Public Comment, if any

- The public comment period is limited to thirty (30) minutes.
- Individual speaker comments will be limited to five (5) minutes, on a first-come first-served basis.
- Speakers must be available at the time they are recognized, or they forfeit their opportunity to speak.
- A speaker cannot transfer or delegate their time to others.
- Public comment may be submitted by email to farryl.sorokin@dfs.virginia.gov no later than 5:00 p.m. of the workday prior to the meeting.

XV. Confirm Future Meeting Date

- October 6, 2026 – All-Virtual

XVI. Adjourn

Following the adjournment of the formal meeting of the Committee, the members will have a lunch break. A tour of the new Central Laboratory will follow.